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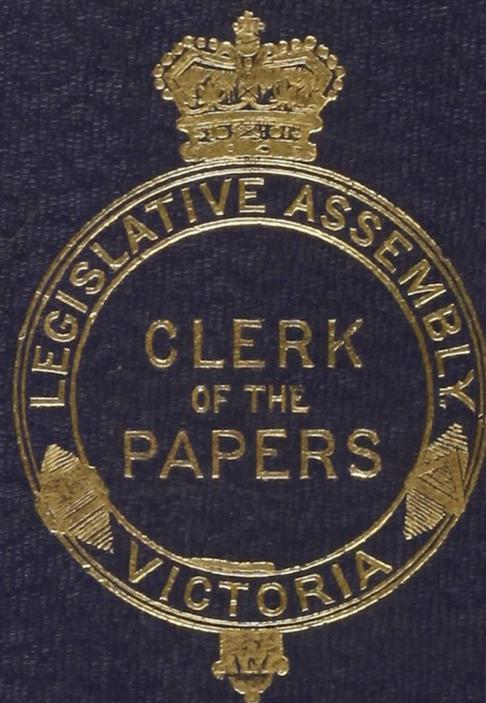
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- ALBERT PARK LAND:** Bill to revoke the permanent reservation and Crown grant of portion of certain land situate in the municipal districts of the City of South Melbourne and the City of St. Kilda as a site for a public park—(*Mr. Livingston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 May, p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 30 June, p. 73. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2587.*)
- ALDERMEN ABOLITION:** Bill to amend the law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the office of alderman and for other purposes—(*Mr. Elmslie for Mr. Prendergast*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 16; order for second reading read—petition presented from the Lord Mayor, aldermen, councillors, and citizens of the City of Melbourne, praying that the House will not pass the Bill into law; Standing Orders suspended and petition read; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 July, p. 88.—Bill not returned from the Council.
- APPROPRIATION:** Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 14 Dec., 1915, p. 269; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21-2 Dec., p. 286; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 290. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2813.*)
- ARTICLED LAW CLERKS (WAR SERVICE):** Bill intituled "*An Act to enable Articled Law Clerks to reckon Service in connexion with the present War as Service under Articles of Clerkship*"—(*Mr. Snowball*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 15 June, 1915, p. 51; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16 June, p. 54; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 23 June, p. 60; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 30 June, p. 70. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2583.*)
- BAIRNSDALE LAND:** Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of portion of certain land in the Parish of Bairnsdale permanently reserved from sale as a site for public park and recreation purposes—(*Mr. Livingston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 June, 1915, p. 41; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 17 June, p. 56.
- BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION:** Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Bittern to Red Hill—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 Oct., 1915, p. 189; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Oct., p. 197; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Nov., p. 218. (*Assented to 23 November, 1915. Act No. 2769.*)
- BOILERS INSPECTION:** Bill to further amend the *Boilers Inspection Act 1906*—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 9) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 May, 1915, pp. 33-4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 July, p. 76; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 7 Sept., p. 147; amendment considered and disagreed with, 9 Sept., p. 153; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 15 Sept., p. 157. (*Assented to 22 September, 1915. Act No. 2759.*)
- BORDER RAILWAYS COMMISSION:** Bill relating to the payment of fees and travelling expenses to the Victorian members of the Royal Commission on Border Railways—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1915, p. 281; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 284; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 286. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2807.*)
- BRUNSWICK MECHANICS' INSTITUTE AND FREE LIBRARY:** Bill to provide for the incorporation and government of the Brunswick Mechanics' Institute and Free Library—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 Sept., 1915, p. 170; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Deputy-Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated

as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 276; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 285. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2806.*)

CLIFTON SPRINGS HOTEL: Bill to make provision in regard to the victualler's licence issued in respect of the Clifton Springs Hotel agreed to be leased to The Commonwealth of Australia as an establishment for convalescent members of The Australian Imperial Forces—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Oct., 1915, p. 205; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., p. 234; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 255. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2782.*)

CLOSER SETTLEMENT: Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts—(*Mr. Downward*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 27; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 17 Nov., p. 221.—Bill lapsed.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT (BILL No. 2): Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts—(*Mr. Robertson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1915, p. 126.—Bill lapsed.

COMMONWEALTH POWERS (WAR): Bill to refer certain matters to the Parliament of the Commonwealth for the duration of the present war and for a period of twelve months after the conclusion of peace—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1915, p. 221; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker ruled that if the Bill went to a division in this House he would require that it be passed by an absolute majority; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 Dec., pp. 288-9; debate resumed—the House divided on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, and not having an absolute majority, Mr. Speaker said, "The Bill not having received the votes of an absolute majority, the second reading has not been carried in accordance with the requirements of *The Constitution Act*," 22 Dec., p. 290.—Bill lapsed. [For motion to disagree with Mr. Speaker's ruling, see *Votes and Proceedings*, 23 Dec., 1915, p. 294.]

COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION: Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria—(*Mr. J. W. Billson for Mr. Outtrim*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1915, p. 221.—Bill lapsed.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and forty-seven thousand four hundred and thirty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of

Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 30 June, 1915, p. 72; the Council's agreement notified, 1 July, p. 75. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2589.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 2): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and seventy-four thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fourteen and One thousand nine hundred and fifteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 5 Aug., 1915, p. 111; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Aug., p. 114. (*Assented to 17 August, 1915. Act No. 2597.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 3): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and sixty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Oct., 1915, p. 183; the Council's agreement notified, 12 Oct., p. 185. (*Assented to 12 October, 1915. Act No. 2764.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 4): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirty-nine thousand two hundred and thirteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; the Council's agreement notified, 9 Nov., 1915, p. 215. (*Assented to 10 November, 1915. Act No. 2768.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 5): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty thousand two hundred and thirty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., 1915, p. 253; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 255. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2783.*)

CONSOLIDATING BILLS: Bills to consolidate the laws relating to the following subjects, viz.:—Acts Interpretation, Aborigines, Administration and Probate, Agent-General, Agricultural Colleges, Arbitration, Auction Sales, Audit, Bakers and Millers, Banks and Currency, Bees, Beet Sugar Works, Boilers Inspection, Building Societies, Butchers and Abattoirs, Carriages, Carriers and Innkeepers, Cemeteries, Children's Court, Chinese, Closer Settlement, Coal Mines Regulation, The Constitution Act Amendment Act, Conveyancing, Coroners, Country Roads, County Courts, Crown Remedies and Liability, Dairy Supervision, Developmental Railways, Dogs, Drainage Areas, Drainage of Land, Education, Electric Light and Power, Employers and Employees, Explosives, Export Products, Factories and

Shops, Fences, Fertilizers, Fire Brigades, Fisheries, Forests, Friendly Societies, Fruit, Game, Geelong Harbor Trust, Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage, Gold Buyers, Goods, Hawkers and Pedlers, Health, Hospitals and Charities, Income Tax, Inebriates, Infant Life Protection, Insolvency, Instruments, Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief, Land, Landlord and Tenant, Lands Compensation, Land Surveyors, Land Tax, Legal Profession Practice, Libraries, Licensing, Lifts Regulation, Livery and Agistment, Local Government, Lunacy, Marine, Marine Stores and Old Metals, Markets, Marriage, Married Women's Property, Master and Apprentice, Meat Supervision, Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, Melbourne Harbor Trust, Mines, Mining Development, Mint, Money Lenders, Motor Cars, Neglected Children, Partnership, Pawnbrokers, Penalties, Poisons, Police Offences, Police Regulation, Pounds, Printers and Newspapers, Provident Societies, Public Service, Public Works, Railway Lands Acquisition, Railways, Railways Standing Committee, Rating on Unimproved Values, Real Property, Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages, Seamen, Seeds, Senate Elections (Times and Places), Servants' Registry Offices, Settled Estates and Settled Lands, Shearers' Hut Accommodation, Sheep Dipping, Stamps, Statistics, Stock Diseases, Stock Foods, Temperance Halls, Theatres, Thistles, Trade Unions, Training Ships, Tramways, Transfer of Land, University, Unlawful Assemblies and Processions, Vegetation and Vine Diseases, Vermin Destruction, Veterinary Surgeons, Water, Weights and Measures, Wills, Workers' Compensation, Wrongs;

And also Bills to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the following subjects, viz. :
—Companies, Crimes, Evidence, Gaols, Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors, Juries, Justices, Medical, State Savings Bank, Supreme Court, Trusts;

Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 8) recommending that the laws relating to certain of the foregoing subjects be consolidated and certain other subjects be consolidated and amended, and that Bills be introduced for that purpose, and that such sums of money as may be necessary for the purposes of such Bills or any of them be appropriated out of the Consolidated Revenue, and that such duties, rates, taxes, rents, returns, or imposts as are therein expressed to be appropriated be appropriated accordingly for the purposes specified in such Bills or any of them, 19 May, 1915, pp. 25-6; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bills ordered thereupon; Bills initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed to a Select Committee, 20 May, pp. 30-31; Committee of five Members appointed to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the question of the consolidation of the laws; Consolidating Bills referred thereto; the Council requested to appoint an equal number of Members to be joined with the Members of this House, 20 May, p. 31; Message from the Council notifying appointment of Committee to join with the Committee of the Assembly; place and time of meeting of Joint Committee appointed, 25 May, p. 34; Report of the Committee brought up, 15 June, p. 51; Report considered and adopted;

Bills recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, 16 June, p. 53; considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 June, p. 56; the Council's agreement notified, 1 July, pp. 77-9; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 16) recommending certain amendments in the Bills; amendments agreed to; His Excellency's Message transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the said amendments, 29 July, pp. 95-102; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 3 Aug., p. 106; report from the Clerk of the Parliaments of clerical errors in the schedule of amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor; errors corrected and the Council's concurrence with corrections desired, 4 Aug., p. 107; the Council's agreement in correction of clerical errors notified, 4 Aug., p. 108. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Acts Nos. 2609-2751.*)

CONSTITUTION ACT 1906 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend section four of *The Constitution Act 1906* and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1915, p. 125; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 16 Dec., p. 276.

COUNTRY ROADS: Bill to further amend the *Country Roads Act 1912*—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Aug., 1915, p. 108; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 119; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 139. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2607.*)

CREAM GRADING: Bill to regulate the testing and grading of milk and cream and the manufacture of butter and cheese and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 June, 1915, p. 43; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 25 Nov., p. 235.

CRIMES: Bill to further amend the *Crimes Act 1891*—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 13 July, p. 82; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 118; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments, including an amended title, notified, 5 Oct., p. 178; amendments considered—some agreed to, and others disagreed with, 20 Oct., p. 196; the Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 16 Nov., p. 218; the Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with one of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, and insist on disagreeing with the other of the said amendments, 18 Nov., p. 223; the Council still insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, but with an amendment, 8 Dec., p. 258; amendment, as amended by Council, considered and agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 264. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2789.*)

DAIRY CATTLE ADVANCES: Bill to provide for advances on certain terms to farmers to enable them to procure dairy cattle and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Message from His

- Excellency the Governor (No. 39) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 22 Sept., 1915, p. 164; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 28 Sept., p. 170; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Oct., p. 192; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Nov., p. 227. (*Assented to 30 November, 1915. Act No. 2772.*)
- DANDENONG LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of portion of certain land situate in the Town of Dandenong as a site for a public park (*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 May, p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 30 June, p. 72. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2586.*)
- DEFAULT SUMMONSES: Bill to amend the law relating to default summonses—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1915, p. 60; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 13 July, p. 82; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments, including an amended title, notified, 1 Sept., p. 139; amendments considered—one agreed to, and others disagreed with, 9 Sept., p. 152; the Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 16 Nov., p. 218; report from the Clerk of the Parliaments of clerical errors in the Bill; errors corrected and the Council's concurrence with corrections desired, 17 Nov., pp. 219-20; the Council's agreement in correction of clerical errors notified, 23 Nov., p. 227. (*Assented to 30 November, 1915. Act No. 2771.*)
- DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS: Bill to amend the *Developmental Railways Act 1912*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 25) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 122; read a second time, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 126; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments, including an amended title, notified, 5 Oct., p. 177; amendments considered and agreed to, 19 Oct., p. 193. (*Assented to 26 October, 1915. Act No. 2767.*)
- EDUCATION ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Education Act 1915*—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 229; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., p. 235; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 254. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2779.*)
- ENEMY CONTRACTS: Bill to provide for the cancellation of contracts with the enemy—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 21 July, 1915, p. 87; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Aug., p. 106; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 17 Aug., p. 124; amendment considered and disagreed with, 18 Aug., p. 126; the Council do not insist on their amendment, disagreed with by the Assembly, 24 Aug., p. 130. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2603.*)
- ENEMY PROPERTY: Bill to make provision in regard to the custody of property of alien enemies during the present war and for other purposes—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1915, p. 125; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 36) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 16 Sept., p. 159; motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 Sept., p. 165; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 28 Sept., p. 170; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Oct., p. 192; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 20 Oct., p. 195; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 16 Nov., p. 218; amendments considered and agreed to, 25 Nov., p. 233. (*Assented to 30 November, 1915. Act No. 2774.*)
- EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS: Bill to facilitate the execution of instruments and powers of attorney during the present war—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 124; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 125; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 7 Sept., p. 146; amendment considered and agreed to, 9 Sept., p. 153. (*Assented to 14 September, 1915. Act No. 2757.*)
- EXECUTION OF TRUSTS: Bill to facilitate the execution of trusts during the present war—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 May, p. 29; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 28 July, p. 93; amendments considered—some agreed to, and one agreed to with an amendment, 29 July, pp. 102-3; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's amendment on their amendment notified, 3 Aug., p. 106. (*Assented to 10 August, 1915. Act No. 2595.*)
- FITZROY, NORTHCOTE, AND PRESTON TRAMWAY: Bill to provide for the construction and management of certain tramways in the municipal districts of Fitzroy, Northcote, and Preston and

for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 June, 1915, p. 41; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Deputy-Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 July, p. 76; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 13 July, p. 81; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 28 July, p. 93. (*Assented to 3 August, 1915. Act No. 2592.*)

FOODSTUFFS AND COMMODITIES: Bill to continue the Foodstuffs and Commodities Acts—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 April, 1915, p. 4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 April, p. 19; the Council's agreement notified, 29 April, p. 20. (*Assented to 30 April, 1915. Act No. 2579.*)

FOOTSCRAY LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation and Crown grant of portion of certain land situate in the City of Footscray as a site for public purposes and for a public park and gardens—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 June, 1915, p. 41; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 June, p. 56; the Council's agreement notified, 30 June, p. 73. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2588.*)

FOOTSCRAY TRAMWAYS: Bill to provide for the construction and management of certain tramways in the municipal district of Footscray—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1915, p. 281; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 284; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 290. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2816.*)

FOOTWEAR REGULATION: Bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of footwear and for other purposes—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Sept., 1915, p. 151; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 Oct., p. 196.—Bill lapsed.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES: Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 June, 1915, p. 55; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 17) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 July, p. 103; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 3 Aug., p. 105; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 17 Aug., p. 122. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2602.*)

GEELONG HARBOR TRUST ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 64) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 7 Dec., 1915, p. 251; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 22 Dec., p. 289; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22-3 Dec., p. 291; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 294. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2819.*)

GEELONG HARBOR TRUST: Bill to amend the Geelong Harbor Trust Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 26) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 122; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 10 Dec., p. 266.

GEELONG LAND: Bill to authorize the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to convey certain land and to grant an easement of carriage-way appurtenant thereto over certain other land as a gift for defence purposes to the Commonwealth of Australia and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1915, p. 60; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 1 July, p. 76; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 13 July, p. 82; the Council's agreement notified, 28 July, p. 93. (*Assented to 3 August, 1915. Act No. 2594.*)

GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE: Bill to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts—(*Mr. Murray for Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 21 July, 1915, p. 87; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 12 Aug., p. 119; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 9 Sept., p. 152; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments, including an amended title, notified, 29 Sept., p. 175; amendments considered and agreed to, 19 Oct., p. 192. (*Assented to 26 October, 1915. Act No. 2766.*)

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (REDEMPTION): Bill to make provision for extending the date of redemption of Government securities—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 27) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 123; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of

the Legislative Council desired, 19 Aug., p. 127; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 7 Sept., p. 146; amendments considered and agreed to, 9 Sept., p. 153. (*Assented to 14 September, 1915. Act No. 2756.*)

HEALTH ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Health Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock for Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 229; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 15 Dec., p. 271; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 17 Dec., p. 280; amendments considered—one agreed to, and the other disagreed with, 21 Dec., p. 283; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 21 Dec., p. 285. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2810.*)

INCOME TAX LAW AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the law relating to the imposition of income tax and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 246; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 61) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of taxes for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 7 Dec., pp. 249-50; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 254; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council, 15 Dec., p. 272; the suggested amendments considered—one made, and the other made with an amendment, 16 Dec., p. 274; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendment which was suggested by the Council and made by the Assembly and the amendment which was suggested by the Council and modified and made by the Assembly) notified, 16 Dec., p. 275. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2799.*)

INDETERMINATE SENTENCES: Bill to amend the *Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907*—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 13 July, p. 82; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 July, p. 89; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 7 Sept., p. 147; amendments considered—some agreed to, and one disagreed with, 9 Sept., p. 153; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 15 Sept., p. 157. (*Assented to 22 September, 1915. Act No. 2758.*)

INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION): Bill to restrict the sale or consumption of intoxicating liquor during the present war—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 May, p. 29; debate resumed and adjourned, 25 May, p. 34; debate continued—Bill read a

second time and committed; considered in Committee, 26 May, p. 36; further considered in Committee, 1 June, p. 39; 2 June, p. 41; 8 June, p. 45; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 9 June, p. 47; motion, That the Bill be recommitted—debated and withdrawn; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 June, p. 50; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments considered—some agreed to, and others agreed to with amendments, 29 June, pp. 66-7; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's amendments on their amendments notified, 30 June, p. 73. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2584.*)

JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Juries Acts* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 124; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 9 Sept., p. 153; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 22 Sept., p. 165; further considered in Committee, 23 Sept., p. 168; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments and with an amended title, viz.:—“*A Bill to amend the 'Juries Act 1915' and for other purposes*”; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Oct., p. 196; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 30 Nov., p. 238; amendments considered and agreed to, 3 Dec., p. 247. (*Assented to 7 December, 1915. Act No. 2777.*)

JUSTICES ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend section one hundred and eighty-four of the *Justices Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1915, p. 221; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., p. 234; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 8 Dec., p. 258; amendments considered and agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 263. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2788.*)

KEW (BURKE-ROAD) TRAMWAY: Bill to provide for the construction, operation, and management by the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust of a certain tramway in the municipal district of Kew—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 230; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, “In my opinion, this is a Private Bill”; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council's desired, 25 Nov., p. 235; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 254. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2781.*)

LAND: Bill to amend the *Land Act 1915*—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Oct., 1915, p. 195; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 21 Oct., p. 200; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 49) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and

of fees and rents for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 28 Oct., p. 207; debate on second reading resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Oct., p. 208; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Nov., p. 218. (*Assented to 23 November, 1915. Act No. 2770.*)

LAND TAX: Bill to declare the rate of land tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 246; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 253; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Dec., p. 258. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2787.*)

LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT): Bill relating to the adjustment of rents in respect of certain licensed victuallers' premises affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to the rebate of certain fees under the Licensing Acts—(*Mr. Murray*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 22) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 12 Aug., 1915, p. 118; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 17 Aug., p. 124; debate resumed and adjourned, 19 Aug., p. 127; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 24 Aug., p. 130; further considered in Committee, 14 Sept., p. 156; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 35) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purpose of enabling compensation to be paid to certain persons affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* under provisions of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; Bill further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; motion, That this Bill be now recommitted in respect of new clauses—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill recommitted with instructions to the Committee that they have power to provide for the payment of compensation to licensees and employees at breweries and other places affected by the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* for losses sustained under the operation of that Act, also to make provision for the sale of refreshments and non-intoxicating drinks upon licensed premises; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to fix the under-proof strength of liquor sold on licensed premises—debated and negatived; Bill further considered in Committee, 15 Sept., p. 158; further considered in

Committee and reported without further amendment, 21 Sept., p. 162; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Sept., p. 168; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments, including an amended title, notified, 9 Nov., p. 215; amendments considered—some agreed to, and others disagreed with, 25 Nov., pp. 231-2; the Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 1 Dec., p. 239. (*Assented to 1 December, 1915. Act No. 2776.*)

LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY LAND: Bill to authorize the Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Aug., 1915, p. 108; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 21) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 11 Aug., p. 115; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 119; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 139. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2606.*)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Membrey for Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1915, p. 241; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 264; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments considered—some agreed to, and others disagreed with, 16 Dec., p. 275; the Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on one of their amendments in clause 1, and insist on the other amendment in the said clause with an amendment; the Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with one of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council in clause 1, and agree to the other amendment as now amended by the Council, 22 Dec., p. 289. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2811.*)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Bill to amend the Local Government Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Snowball*).—Initiated and read a first time, 10 June, 1915, p. 49; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16 June, p. 54; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 9 Sept., p. 153; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Sept., p. 166; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 14 Dec., p. 268.—Bill lapsed.

MANDURANG LANDS: Bill to revoke as to part the permanent reservation and Crown grant of certain land in the Parishes of Lockwood and Mandurang permanently reserved from sale for Victorian water supply purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1915, p. 239; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 254; the Council's agreement notified, 14 Dec., p. 269. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2793.*)

MARRIAGE (FACILITIES): Bill to facilitate marriages between British subjects resident in Victoria and British subjects resident in the United Kingdom—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Sept., 1915, p. 164; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Nov., p. 223; the Council's agreement notified, 30 Nov., p. 238. (*Assented to 1 December, 1915. Act No. 2775.*)

MEAT ACQUISITION: Bill relating to the compulsory acquisition by the Government of meat in Victoria and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 12) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 22 June, 1915, p. 58; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 25 Nov., p. 235.

MEDICAL ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the law relating to medical practitioners—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 12 Aug., 1915, p. 117; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 18 Aug., p. 126; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Aug., p. 127; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 140. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2753.*)

MEDICAL: Bill relating to certain graduates in medicine and surgery who are on war service—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 26 May, 1915, p. 35; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 May, p. 37; the Council's agreement notified, 8 June, p. 45. (*Assented to 15 June, 1915. Act No. 2581.*)

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 229; read a second time and committed; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision for the granting of gratuities or annuities to officers, servants, or employees of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, or to their dependants in case of death; Mr. Speaker ruled the proposed instruction out of order as being irrelevant to the subject-matter of the Bill as

read a second time; further consideration of Bill adjourned, 25 Nov., p. 234; motion, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended to allow above motion for an instruction to the Committee to be considered—question resolved in the affirmative; question, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision as aforesaid—put and resolved in the affirmative; Bill considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., pp. 234-5; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 8 Dec., p. 257; amendment considered and agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 264. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2790.*)

MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LAND: Bill to revoke the Crown grant of certain land forming portion of the burial ground in the City of Melbourne commonly known as the "Old Cemetery" and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1915, p. 263; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16 Dec., p. 275.—Bill lapsed.

MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS: Bill to amend the *Melbourne to Burwood Tramways Act 1914*—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1915, p. 60; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 22 July, p. 89; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 July, p. 102; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Aug., p. 131. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2605.*)

MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS PARK: Bill to authorize the Hawthorn Tramways Trust to acquire certain lands to be used as a park and for other purposes—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1915, p. 281; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 21 Dec., p. 283; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 284; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 290. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2815.*)

MENTAL TREATMENT: Bill to facilitate the treatment of mental disorder of recent origin arising from wounds, shock, and other causes—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Aug., 1915, p. 108; read a second time and

committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 117; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Aug., p. 130. (*Assented to 28 August, 1915. Act No. 2600.*)

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL: Bill to provide for a metropolitan council and for the further and better local management of the metropolitan area—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor (No. 3), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 16; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 June, p. 52; motion, by leave, That the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited be heard by counsel at the Bar of the House on the second reading of the Bill—question negatived, 20 July, p. 85; debate on second reading resumed and adjourned, 20 July, p. 86; 21 July, p. 87; 21 July, p. 88; 27 July, p. 91; 28 July, p. 93; 3 Aug., p. 106; 11 Aug., p. 115; debate continued—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 11 Aug., p. 116; 24 Aug., p. 131; order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 25 Nov., p. 235.

MIDWIFERY: Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives and to regulate their Practice*"—(*Mr. Livingston*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 29 June, 1915, p. 65; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 11 Aug., p. 116; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 22 Sept., p. 165; further considered in Committee, 23 Sept., p. 168; 28 Sept., p. 170; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 21 Oct., pp. 199-200; the Council agree to some of the amendments made by the Assembly, disagree with others, and agree to new clause AA with an amendment, 16 Nov., p. 218; Message from Council considered—debate adjourned, 18 Nov., p. 224; debate resumed—the Assembly agree to the amendment of the Council in new clause AA, and do not insist on their amendments in clause 10 but make consequential amendments in the said clause, 23 Nov., p. 226; the Council agree to the consequential amendments of the Assembly in clause 10, 23 Nov., p. 227. (*Assented to 30 November, 1915. Act No. 2773.*)

MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS: Bill relating to Mildura College lands and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 Sept., 1915, p. 170; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 10 Dec., p. 266.

MINING DEVELOPMENT: Bill to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 May, 1915, p. 29; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 29 July, p. 104.

MINING DEVELOPMENT (BILL No. 2): Bill to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 23) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 12 Aug., 1915, p. 118; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Aug., p. 124; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 140. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2752.*)

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT: Bill relating to municipal endowment—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 58) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 244; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 276; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 285. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2805.*)

MUNICIPAL LOANS: Bill to provide for special loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to municipalities—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor (No. 5), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 17; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 May, p. 27; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to, 20 May, p. 32; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 May, p. 38; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council, 30 June, p. 70; the suggested amendments considered and made, 1 July, p. 76; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council) notified, 27 July, p. 92. (*Assented to 3 August, 1915. Act No. 2591.*)

MURRAY RIVER WATERS: Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the River Murray and

Lake Victoria and other waters and for other purposes—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor (No. 4), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of imposts for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 17; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 18 May, p. 24; debate resumed and adjourned, 9 June, p. 47; debate resumed—amendment moved, That all the words after “That” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “the subject of the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report”; amendment debated and adjourned, 9 June, p. 48; debate resumed and adjourned, 15 June, p. 52; debate resumed—amendment, on division, not made; debate on second reading resumed and adjourned, 16 June, p. 54; 17 June, p. 56; 22 June, p. 58; 23 June, p. 60; debate continued—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 23 June, p. 61; further considered in Committee, 29 June, p. 65; further considered in Committee; amendment proposed in the Schedule—Chairman of Committees ruled that amendment was not admissible; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and his opinion on ruling asked; matter discussed; Mr. Speaker said, “I understand that at the request of the Committee and of the Chairman of Committees the question of his ruling in regard to this matter has been referred to me, as Speaker. I think I am entitled to go to the beginning of the Bill to see what is meant in order that honorable members may fully understand the ruling which is in question. Looking at the preamble of the Bill the question is whether it is desirable ‘to ratify and provide for carrying out’ a certain agreement. That is the object of this Bill. The measure itself seems to me to be drawn with the intention absolutely of either having the agreement ratified or refused. Clause 5 has been mentioned as a remote or obscure clause, but with that contention I do not agree, for I regard that clause as the heart of the Bill. That clause provides in effect that ‘subject to the provisions of this Act’ the agreement shall be confirmed. If the Bill passed this House without the alteration of a single line it would not be an Act. It would still be a Bill, and we should have to send it to another place for their consideration. Clause 5 was passed by the Committee, and is a resolution of the Committee. Therefore it binds the Committee as to the agreement to which it refers. The matter of the agreement itself stands out as a Schedule only as a matter of convenience and to comply with parliamentary procedure. The agreement might have been inserted in clause 5, but for the convenience of the House, and in accordance with parliamentary practice, it has been put as a Schedule to the Bill. The attention of honorable members was drawn to the fact in clause 5 that they were performing the very purpose for which the Bill was brought before the House. Therefore, my ruling is that the Chairman of Committees was absolutely right; that the Committee, having come to a certain resolution on clause 5, thereby ratified the agreement which

appears as a Schedule to the Bill. The House will have many other opportunities of refusing to ratify the agreement—for instance, after the third reading or on the motion for the adoption of the Schedule. The question that the Schedule be adopted is put to enable the House to say whether they will have it or not. After the third reading there will be an opportunity of altering the Bill or of rejecting it or the Schedule. For these reasons I agree with the Chairman of Committees,” 30 June, pp. 69-70; Bill further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 July, p. 75; the Council’s agreement notified, 10 Aug., p. 114. (*Assented to 17 August, 1915. Act No. 2596.*)

MURRAY RIVER WATERS (BILL No. 2); Bill to amend the *River Murray Waters Act 1915*—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1915, p. 257; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 274; the Council’s agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 279. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2803.*)

NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Nandaly to Kulwin—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 25 Aug., 1915, p. 133; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 9 Sept., p. 152; the Council’s agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 29 Sept., p. 175; amendments considered and agreed to, 14 Oct., p. 190. (*Assented to 19 October, 1915. Act No. 2765.*)

NURSES REGISTRATION: Bill intitled “*An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Trained Nurses and to provide for their Registration and for other purposes*”—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1915, p. 272.—Bill lapsed.

POLICE OFFENCES: Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1912* in regard to drunkards—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 May, p. 32; debate resumed and adjourned, 27 May, p. 37; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 19 Aug., p. 128.

POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE: Bill to provide for the defence of poor prisoners and for other purposes—(*Mr. Blackburn*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 16; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Sept., p. 166.

PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST: Bill relating to the borrowing powers of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust—(*Mr. Membray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 229; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, “In my opinion, this is a Private Bill”; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the

affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., p. 235; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 254. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2780.*)

PRAHRAN LAND: Bill to revoke as to part the permanent reservation of certain land in the Parish of Prahran—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Sept., 1915, p. 157; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 Sept., p. 165; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Sept., p. 166.—Bill not returned from the Council.

PRICE OF GOODS: Bill to continue the *Price of Goods Act 1914* and the *Price of Goods Act 1914 (No. 2)* and to repeal section two of the last-mentioned Act—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 15; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 28 April, p. 17; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 April, p. 20; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment agreed to, 29 April, pp. 20-21. (*Assented to 30 April, 1915. Act No. 2580.*)

PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES: Bill to further amend the *Public Account Advances Act 1910*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 66) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 14 Dec., 1915, p. 268; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 277; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 285; report from the Clerk of the Parliaments of a clerical error in the Bill; error corrected and the Council's concurrence with correction desired, 22 Dec., p. 290; the Council's agreement in correction of clerical error notified, 23 Dec., p. 294. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2817.*)

PUBLIC SERVICE: Bill to amend the *Public Service Act 1915*—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Sept., 1915, p. 164; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 265; read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 265; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 15 Dec., p. 272; amendment considered and disagreed with, 16 Dec., p. 274; the Council do not insist on their amendment, disagreed with by the Assembly, 16 Dec., p. 275. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2798.*)

PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for public works and other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 245; read a second time and

passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 265; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Dec., p. 276. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2801.*)

RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 245; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 8 Dec., p. 257; the Council's agreement notified, 15 Dec., p. 272. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2796.*)

RAILWAYS ADVANCES: Bill to authorize the temporary application out of "The Public Account" of certain moneys for the purpose of substituting heavy rails for light rails on certain lines of railway—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 7) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 May, 1915, p. 24; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 May, p. 28; the Council's agreement notified, 30 June, p. 72. (*Assented to 6 July, 1915. Act No. 2585.*)

RAILWAYS: Bill to amend the *Railways Act 1915*—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 40) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 22 Sept., 1915, p. 164; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 Oct., p. 196; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 284; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 290. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2814.*)

RAILWAYS ROLLING-STOCK REPLACEMENT FUND: Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor (No. 31), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 Aug., 1915, p. 130; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 17 Nov., p. 221.

RAILWAYS ROLLING-STOCK REPLACEMENT FUND (BILL No. 2): Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account—(*Sir*

Alexander Peacock.)—On motion, by leave, the resolution reported from the Committee of the whole House on the 24th day of August, 1915, and agreed to by the Legislative Assembly, authorizing an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account, was read and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1915, p. 221.—Bill lapsed.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES: Bill to amend the law relating to the registration of births, deaths, and marriages—(*Mr. Lawson for Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 July, 1915, p. 86; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 July, p. 103; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 7 Sept., p. 146; amendment considered and agreed to, 9 Sept., p. 153. (*Assented to 14 September, 1915. Act No. 2755.*)

ROYAL SOCIETY LAND: Bill to authorize the trustees of certain land permanently reserved from sale as a site for the use of the Royal Society of Victoria to borrow upon the security of the said land and to demise part of the said land and to permit the temporary use of certain buildings on the said land and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 July, 1915, p. 86; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 July, p. 103; the Council's agreement notified, 15 Sept., p. 157. (*Assented to 22 September, 1915. Act No. 2760.*)

RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE NORTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Rushworth to Stanhope North—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 July, 1915, p. 86; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 July, p. 89; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 July, p. 102; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 140. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2754.*)

SAVINGS BANKS ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in stock and other securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the *War Loan Act* (No. 1) 1915—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 29) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, pp. 123-4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18

Aug., p. 125; the Council's agreement notified, 18 Aug., p. 126. (*Assented to 24 August, 1915. Act No. 2599.*)

SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION: Bill to provide for the inspection of scaffolding and for other purposes—(*Mr. Elmslie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 16; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 9 June, p. 47; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 22 Sept., p. 165; amendments considered—one agreed to, others disagreed with, and one agreed to with an amendment, 28 Sept., pp. 171-3; the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council, and insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 5 Oct., p. 178; amendments considered and disagreement insisted on, 25 Nov., pp. 232-3; the Council still insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 7 Dec., p. 254.—Order for consideration of Message from Council discharged and Bill laid aside, 16 Dec., p. 273.

SEED ADVANCES: Bill to amend the *Seed Advances Act 1914*—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 13) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1915, pp. 59-60; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 July, p. 76; the Council's agreement notified, 11 Aug., p. 116. (*Assented to 17 August, 1915. Act No. 2598.*)

SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION: Bill to adapt certain references in Acts passed during the present session of Parliament to the provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the said session and to revise the language of certain of the first-mentioned Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Sept., 1915, p. 164; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Sept., p. 167; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 28 Sept., p. 169; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 29 Sept., p. 175. (*Assented to 1 October, 1915. Act No. 2763.*)

SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION (BILL No. 2): Bill intitled "*An Act to amend the 'Sessional Acts Revision Act 1915' and to correct certain Errors in the Consolidating Acts passed during the present Session and for other purposes*"—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1915, p. 258; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendment

desired, 10 Dec., p. 264; the Council's agreement to the amendment notified, 14 Dec., p. 269. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2791.*)

SEWERAGE DISTRICTS: Bill to make provision for sewerage districts and the sewerage thereof—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Bill initiated and motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the order for third reading—question resolved in the affirmative and Bill read a first time; Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor (No. 2), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 28 April, 1915, p. 15; read the third time with amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 May, pp. 26-7; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 20 July, p. 85; amendments considered—some agreed to, and one disagreed with, 9 Sept., p. 151; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 15 Sept., p. 157; report from the Clerk of the Parliaments of clerical errors in the Bill; errors corrected and the Council's concurrence with corrections desired, 21 Sept., pp. 161-2; the Council's agreement in correction of clerical errors notified, 22 Sept., p. 165. (*Assented to 24 September, 1915. Act No. 2761.*)

SHOW DAY HOLIDAY (TEMPORARY SUSPENSION): Bill to amend the law relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day—(*Mr. Murray*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Aug., 1915, p. 108; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 117; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Sept., p. 139. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2608.*)

SPECIAL FUNDS: Bill to provide for the transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the *Transfer of Land Act 1915* of certain sums and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 62), recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 7 Dec., 1915, p. 250; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 265; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Dec., p. 276. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2800.*)

STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION): Bill relating to the taxation by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia of salaries, reimbursements, and other moneys paid by the State of Victoria—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 3 Dec.,

1915, p. 245; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 285; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 286. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2809.*)

STATE SAVINGS BANK ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill to further amend the *State Savings Bank Act 1915*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1915, p. 239; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 59) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 3 Dec., p. 245; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 255; the Council's agreement notified, 14 Dec., p. 269. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2792.*)

ST. KILDA TRAMWAY: Bill to extend the provisions of the *Tramways Act 1915* to the municipality of Saint Kilda within certain limits and for other purposes—(*Mr. Membrey* for *Mr. McCutcheon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 24 Nov., 1915, p. 229; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25 Nov., p. 234; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Dec., p. 246; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Dec., p. 258. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2786.*)

SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 15 June, 1915, p. 51; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 13 July, p. 82; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 27 July, p. 92. (*Assented to 3 August, 1915. Act No. 2590.*)

SUPREME COURT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend section forty-seven of the *Supreme Court Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1915, p. 221; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 25 Nov., p. 234; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 254. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2778.*)

SURPLUS REVENUE: Bill relating to a certain unexpended balance under the *Surplus Revenue Act 1905*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 63) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended,

resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 7 Dec., 1915, p. 250; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 265; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Dec., p. 276. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2802.*)

TOBACCO SELLERS: Bill relating to sellers of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, and snuff—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1915, p. 239; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 255; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 15 Dec., p. 271; amendments considered and agreed to, 16 Dec., p. 274. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2797.*)

TOTALIZATOR: Bill to legalize the totalizator under certain circumstances and for other purposes—(*Mr. Farthing*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 April, 1915, p. 16; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 51) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of penalties for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 17 Nov., p. 219.—Bill lapsed.

TRAMWAY BOARD: Bill to make temporary provision with respect to tramways and tramway undertakings the subject of leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 37) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of duties, taxes, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 Sept., 1915, p. 160; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 271; Bill read the third time with a further amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 274; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 21 Dec., p. 286; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, others agreed to with amendments, and others agreed to with consequential amendments, 22 Dec., pp. 287-8; the Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, agree to the amendments of the Assembly on certain amendments of the Council, and to certain of the consequential amendments of the Assembly on other amendments of the Council, disagree with one of the consequential amendments of the Assembly in clause 62, and agree to the other consequential amendment in the said clause with an amendment; the Assembly agree to the amendment of the Council on one of the consequential amendments made by the Assembly in clause 62, and do not insist on the other consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the said clause, 22 Dec., p. 291. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2818.*)

TREASURY BONDS ACT 1914 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1914*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 57) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 244; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 253; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Dec., p. 258. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2784.*)

TREASURY BONDS: Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 56) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, pp. 243-4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Dec., p. 253; the Council's agreement notified, 8 Dec., p. 258. (*Assented to 14 December, 1915. Act No. 2785.*)

TRUSTS ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to authorize trustees to invest in stock and other securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia intitled the *War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Aug., 1915, p. 108; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 11 Aug., p. 116; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., p. 117; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment considered and agreed to with an amendment, 24 Aug., pp. 130-1; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's amendment on their amendment notified, 24 Aug., p. 131. (*Assented to 28 August, 1915. Act No. 2601.*)

TRUSTS: Bill to repeal section seventeen of the *Trusts Act 1891*—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 19 May, 1915, p. 26; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 May, p. 29; the Council's agreement notified, 15 June, p. 52. (*Assented to 22 June, 1915. Act No. 2582.*)

TRUSTS (WAR LOAN): Bill to amend the *Trusts Acts* and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1915, p. 281; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 284; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 286. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2808.*)

UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS: Bill relating to the unauthorized use of the Royal or other arms and to the issue of false or misleading process and other documents—(*Mr. Mackinnon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 June, 1915, p. 60; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the

- Legislative Council desired, 13 July, p. 82; the Council's agreement notified, 28 July, p. 93. (*Assented to 3 August, 1915. Act No. 2593.*)
- VICTORIAN LOAN: Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways, public works, and other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 55) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 243; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 7 Dec., p. 253; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 8 Dec., p. 257; the Council's agreement notified, 15 Dec., p. 272. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2794.*)
- VICTORIAN LOANS (RATES OF INTEREST): Bill to amend the *Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 28) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Aug., 1915, p. 123; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 24 Aug., p. 131; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 9 Sept., p. 152; the Council's agreement notified, 29 Sept., p. 175. (*Assented to 1 October, 1915. Act No. 2762.*)
- WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for irrigation works, water supply works, drainage and flood protection works in country districts and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 245; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 16 Dec., p. 275; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 285. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2804.*)
- WHARFAGE RATES: Bill to amend the *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1915*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 41) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 23 Sept., 1915, p. 167; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 25 Nov., p. 235.
- WHEAT MARKETING: Bill to confer certain powers on the Government of Victoria in regard to the marketing of the wheat harvest of the season 1915-1916 and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1915, p. 263; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16 Dec., p. 276; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 17 Dec., p. 279; further considered in Committee, 20 Dec., p. 281; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time with an amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 285; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 290. (*Assented to 30 December, 1915. Act No. 2812.*)
- WILLAURA LAND: Bill to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Parish of Willaura, County of Ripon, and for other purposes—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1915, p. 245; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Dec., p. 264; the Council's agreement notified, 15 Dec., p. 272. (*Assented to 23 December, 1915. Act No. 2795.*)
- WILLIAMSTOWN LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain land in the municipal district of Williamstown as a site for military purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 20 July, 1915, p. 86; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 July, p. 90; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Aug., p. 131. (*Assented to 6 September, 1915. Act No. 2604.*)

LIST OF MEMBERS.

SESSION 1915.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Under Section 120 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915 No. 2639, the Legislative Assembly consists of twenty-four members.

TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

SECOND SESSION (20TH APRIL, 1915, TO 23RD DECEMBER, 1915).

Member.	District.	No. of Electors on Rolls.	No. of Electors who Voted.			Votes recorded for each Sitting Member.		Percentage of Electors who Voted.		
			Male.	Female.	Total.	First Preference Votes.	Final Result after Distribution of Votes under Preferential Voting Act 1911.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Angus, Henry, Esquire	Gunbower	8,628	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Bailey, Henry Stephen, Esquire	Port Fairy	7,875	3,132	2,476	5,608	2,874	..	76·05	65·90	71·21
Baird, Matthew, Esquire	Ballaarat West	10,706	3,153	4,106	7,259	4,390	..	70·50	65·86	67·80
Barnes, Samuel, Esquire	Wallhalla	6,644	1,799	1,091	2,890	1,811	..	47·09	38·64	43·50
Bayles, Norman, Esquire ¹	Toorak	22,159	3,827	5,533	9,360	7,047	..	43·32	41·52	42·24
Billson, The Honorable Alfred Arthur	Ovens	6,752	2,387	2,082	4,469	2,293	..	70·18	62·13	66·18
Billson, The Honorable John William	Fitzroy	15,059	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Blackburn, Maurice McCrae, Esquire	Essendon	25,295	7,055	7,142	14,197	7,342	..	59·82	52·89	56·12
Bowser, The Honorable John ²	Wangaratta	8,518	2,519	2,175	4,694	3,269	..	57·29	52·77	55·10
Cameron, Allan Francis, Esquire	Dalhousie	7,443	2,729	2,618	5,347	2,770	..	72·87	70·79	71·84
Cameron, The Honorable James	Gippsland East	6,710	2,472	1,507	3,979	1,788	2,040	61·15	56·48	59·30
Campbell, Hugh John Munro, Esquire	Glenelg	9,307	3,241	2,899	6,140	3,449	..	67·78	64·10	65·97
Carlisle, John Joseph, Esquire	Benalla	8,094	2,448	1,832	4,280	2,785	..	57·11	48·11	52·88
Chatham, John, Esquire	Grenville	6,287	2,236	2,110	4,346	2,496	..	70·42	67·80	69·12
Clough, Luke James, Esquire ³	Bendigo East	9,502	2,732	2,789	5,521	2,813	..	62·70	54·21	58·10
Cotter, Edmund John, Esquire	Richmond	17,442	4,463	4,063	8,526	6,335	..	53·34	44·76	48·88
Downward, The Honorable Alfred	Mornington	13,697	3,723	2,418	6,141	3,735	..	49·92	38·75	44·83
Elmslie, The Honorable George Alexander	Albert Park	20,246	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Farrer, James Farish, Esquire	Barwon	11,324	3,438	3,000	6,438	3,711	..	61·93	51·96	56·85
Farthing, Alfred Alexander, Esquire	East Melbourne	13,323	3,321	3,620	6,941	1,910	3,729	51·14	53·00	52·09
Gordon, John, Esquire	Waranga	7,058	2,612	2,157	4,769	3,442	..	69·30	65·58	67·56
Gray, Achilles, Esquire	Korong	7,202	2,311	1,918	4,229	2,611	..	59·33	57·99	58·72
Gray, The Honorable John ⁴	Swan Hill	13,400	3,828	2,270	6,098	3,459	..	46·95	43·25	45·51
Hannah, The Honorable Martin	Collingwood	14,561	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Hogan, Edmond John, Esquire	Warrenheip	6,203	2,455	2,049	4,504	2,327	..	73·50	71·56	72·61
Hutchinson, The Honorable William ⁵	Borong	7,765	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Jewell, James Roberts, Esquire	Brunswick	21,710	5,426	5,039	10,465	6,318	..	55·13	52·45	48·23
Johnstone, John Glass, Esquire	Polwarth	11,109	3,932	3,222	7,154	4,389	..	59·15	72·21	64·39
Keast, William Stephen, Esquire	Dandenong	13,903	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Lawson, The Honorable Harry Sutherland Wightman ⁶	Castlemaine and Maldon	7,363	2,628	2,671	5,299	3,662	..	76·52	67·98	71·97
Leckie, John William, Esquire	Benambra	7,190	2,586	1,847	4,433	2,183	..	63·24	59·56	61·65
Lemmon, The Honorable John	Williamstown	20,336	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Livingston, The Honorable Thomas ⁷	Gippsland South	9,978	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Mackey, The Honorable John Emanuel ⁸	Gippsland West	8,583	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed

NOTES.

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

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

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*continued.*

Member.	District.	No. of Electors on Rolls.	No. of Electors who Voted.			Votes recorded for each Sitting Member.		Percentage of Electors who Voted.		
			Male.	Female.	Total.	First Preference Votes.	Final Result after Distribution of Votes under Preferential Voting Act 1911.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Mackinnon, The Honorable Donald ⁹ ..	Prahran ..	20,275	4,369	5,229	9,598	4,913	..	52·81	43·56	47·33
Madden, The Honorable Sir Frank ¹⁰ ..	Boroondara ..	29,974	5,663	6,007	11,670	7,929	..	42·22	36·27	38·93
McCutcheon, The Honorable Robert George ¹¹	St. Kilda ..	25,295	4,170	5,243	9,413	5,975	..	38·70	36·10	37·21
McGregor, The Honorable Robert ¹² ..	Ballaarat East	10,994	3,546	4,170	7,716	4,079	..	72·17	68·57	70·18
McKenzie, The Honorable Hugh ¹³ ..	Rodney ..	10,656	3,982	3,298	7,280	3,575	..	69·99	66·39	68·31
McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire	Upper Goulburn	8,233	2,711	2,023	4,734	2,746	..	60·51	53·90	57·50
McLachlan, James Weir, Esquire ..	Gippsland North	9,404	3,099	2,541	5,640	3,622	..	62·91	56·74	59·97
McLeod, The Honorable Donald ¹⁴ ..	Daylesford ..	7,213	2,465	2,161	4,626	3,011	..	66·82	61·32	64·13
McPherson, William Murray, Esquire	Hawthorn ..	24,076	3,831	4,466	8,297	6,187	..	38·54	31·59	34·46
Membrey, The Honorable James George ¹⁵	Jika Jika ..	25,462	6,784	6,248	13,032	7,177	..	56·75	46·25	51·18
Menzies, James, Esquire ..	Lowan ..	9,335	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Mitchell, John Davidson, Esquire ..	Goulburn Valley	9,213	2,951	2,472	5,423	2,001	3,366	61·67	55·82	58·86
Murray, The Honorable John ¹⁶ ..	Warrnambool..	9,315	3,204	2,879	6,083	3,715	..	68·88	61·72	65·30
Oman, David Swan, Esquire ..	Hampden ..	12,266	4,123	3,206	7,329	4,296	..	62·84	56·19	59·75
Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard ¹⁷	Maryborough ..	7,912	2,594	2,167	4,761	2,930	..	66·09	55·18	60·17
Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander James, K.C.M.G. ¹⁸	Allandale ..	6,321	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Pennington, John Warburton, Esquire	Kara Kara ..	7,458	2,927	2,580	5,507	3,545	..	74·10	73·54	73·84
Plain, The Honorable William ..	Geelong ..	14,058	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Prendergast, The Honorable George Michael	North Melbourne	17,469	4,033	3,834	7,867	5,294	..	48·30	42·04	45·03
Robertson, The Honorable Andrew Robert	Bulla ..	10,852	3,425	2,641	6,066	3,689	..	59·38	51·94	55·89
Rogers, Alexander, Esquire ..	Melbourne ..	10,104	2,672	1,860	4,532	2,799	..	43·55	46·86	44·85
Rouget, James, Esquire ..	Evelyn ..	10,401	3,164	2,317	5,481	1,546	3,436	57·93	46·90	52·69
Sinclair, Owen, Esquire ¹⁹ ..	Port Melbourne	17,731	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Smith, The Honorable David ..	Bendigo West	10,477	3,340	3,438	6,778	2,190	3,315	70·02	60·24	64·69
Smith, William Kennedy, Esquire ..	Dundas ..	8,801	3,365	2,909	6,274	2,494	3,100	74·30	68·30	71·28
Snowball, Oswald Robinson, Esquire	Brighton ..	18,074	3,565	3,975	7,540	5,348	..	48·79	36·91	41·17
Solly, Robert Henry, Esquire ²⁰ ..	Carlton ..	14,463	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Toutcher, Richard Frederick, Esquire	Stawell and Ararat	9,131	3,123	2,631	5,754	3,124	..	66·17	59·63	63·01
Tunnecliffe, Thomas, Esquire ..	Eaglehawk ..	8,029	2,906	2,500	5,406	2,783	..	71·05	63·46	67·33
Warde, Edward Coughlan, Esquire ..	Flemington ..	20,194	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Webber, Gordon Charles, Esquire ..	Abbotsford ..	16,269	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed

⁹ The Hon. D. Mackinnon, Attorney-General, Solicitor-General (without salary), Minister of Railways (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 22 December, 1913, to 9 November, 1915.

¹⁰ The Hon. Sir Frank Madden, Speaker from 29 June, 1904.

¹¹ The Hon. R. G. McCutcheon, appointed a member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office, 9 November, 1915.

¹² The Hon. R. McGregor, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 15 December, 1914.

¹³ The Hon. H. McKenzie, Minister of Railways, Minister of Water Supply (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 9 November, 1915.

¹⁴ The Hon. D. McLeod, Chief Secretary, and Minister of Public Health (without salary) from 9 November, 1915.

¹⁵ The Hon. J. G. Membrey, appointed a member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office, 20 July, 1914.

¹⁶ The Hon. J. Murray, Chief Secretary from 22 December, 1913, to 9 November, 1915; Minister of Labour (without salary) from 10 August, 1915, to 9 November, 1915.

¹⁷ The Hon. A. R. Outtrim, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 20 January, 1914.

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

¹⁹ Mr. O. Sinclair, elected 28 April, 1915, vice Mr. G. Sangster, deceased 8 April, 1915.

²⁰ Mr. R. H. Solly, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 7 October, 1913.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1915.

1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the thirty-first day of March, 1915, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

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

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George ; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands prorogued until Tuesday, the thirteenth day of April, 1915 : 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 twentieth day of April, 1915, and I do hereby fix Tuesday, the twentieth day of April, 1915, 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 thirty-first day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK,
Premier.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

2. RESIGNATION OF SEAT.—Mr. Speaker announced that since the prorogation he had received the following letter, which he read :—

Bendigo,
6th January, 1915.

To Hon. Sir Frank Madden, Speaker, Legislative Assembly.

DEAR SIR,

I herewith resign my seat in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria for the constituency of Bendigo East.

Yours, &c.,

A. J. HAMPSON.

3. **ISSUE OF WRITS.**—Mr. Speaker announced that, on Tuesday, 19th January last, he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Bendigo East, in the place of Alfred John Hampson, Esq., resigned; also, that he had, that day, issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Port Melbourne, in the place of George Sangster, Esq., deceased.
4. **RETURN TO WRIT.**—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a return to the Writ he had issued on the 19th January last for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Bendigo East, by which it appeared that Luke James Clough, of Langston-street, Bendigo, bootmaker, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
5. **MEMBER SWORN.**—Luke James Clough, Esq., was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
6. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has caused the Bill entitled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Officials in Parliament*," which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received His Majesty's Assent on the 28th day of November last, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which Proclamation is hereto annexed.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th February, 1915.

THE ROYAL ASSENT TO A RESERVED BILL ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT."

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

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 amend the Law relating to Officials in Parliament*,"

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-eighth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, 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 tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the twenty-eighth day of November, 1914.

PRESENT:

The King's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President
Viscount Knollys
Lord Chamberlain

Sir Edward Goschen
Sir Frederick Ponsonby.

WHEREAS on the 21st day of September, 1914, the Governor of the State of Victoria (being one of the States constituting the Commonwealth of Australia) has reserved a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said State, entitled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Officials in Parliament*," 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 doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, declare His assent to the said Bill.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

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

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the two hundred and ninety-first section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890*, I do hereby appoint—

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

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

Given under my hand this twentieth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

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

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

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

Given under my hand this twentieth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

10. DEATH OF GEORGE SANGSTER.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House desires to express its deep sorrow at the death of George Sangster, Esquire, Member for Port Melbourne, and further desires to place on record its appreciation of the manly, upright, and conscientious manner in which he performed his duties to this House and the State of Victoria during his long and honorable Parliamentary career, and of the wonderful courage and determination he displayed in fully carrying out those duties during the later years though suffering from serious illness.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Observatory.—Forty-sixth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st January, 1913, to 31st October, 1914.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1913.—Part X.—Production.

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

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1913–14.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the following Departments during the period from 1st July, 1913, to 30th June, 1914 :—

By Mr. Mackinnon—From the Railway Department.

By Mr. Lawson—From the Lands and Survey Department.

By Mr. Livingston—From the Education Department.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

- Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education from 1st January, 1914, to 30th June, 1914.
- Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1914.
- Closer Settlement Acts.—Addition to the Regulations made on 16th November, 1914.—Chapter V.—Fees.—Order in Council.
- Companies Act 1910—Rule 195.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court.
- Criminal Appeal Act 1914.—Rules of Court under the *Criminal Appeal Act* 1914.
- Education Act 1890.—Regulation added to Regulation XII.—Regulation XII. (E).—Diplomas for Kindergarten and Infant Teachers.—Order in Council.
- Fire Brigades Act 1890.—Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the Year ended 31st December, 1914; together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.
- Income Tax Acts.—Regulations.—Income Tax.—Notice to make Returns.—Order in Council.
- Justices Act 1890.—Fees in Courts of Petty Sessions, and in Proceedings before a Justice or Justices.—Order in Council.
- Land Tax Act 1910.—Regulation.—Date for Payment of Land Tax for the year 1915.—Order in Council.
- Lunacy Acts Amendment Act 1914.—Proclamation applying Parts II. and III. of the *Lunacy Acts Amendment Act* 1914 (Act No. 2539) to the State of South Australia.
- Marine Act 1890.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the Year ended the 31st December, 1914.
- Mines Act 1904.—List of Suspensions granted of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences during the Year 1914.
- Public Service Acts.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the promotion of Henry Arthur Pitt from the Third to the Second Class, in the Department of Treasurer.
- Railways Standing Committee.—Twenty-fifth General Report.
- Seed Advances Act 1914.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
- Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ending 31st December, 1914.

12. **FOODSTUFFS AND COMMODITIES BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to continue the Foodstuffs and Commodities Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.**—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported that Mr. Speaker with the House had that day attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

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

When the Empire became engaged in the great conflict which is now being waged in Europe My Advisers took prompt measures to prevent any paralysis occurring in the finance, commerce, or industry of the State. It was recognised that there should be no divided counsels in matters affecting the Empire, and all parties co-operated in doing what was necessary, both to assist the Mother country and to maintain stability in our own affairs. Thanks to the supremacy of the British Navy, which has kept the seaways open, we have been able to sustain our trade with Great Britain, and thus, while helping our kindred beyond the seas, to help the people within our own borders. The war is still raging, but the forces of the Empire and of the Allies, daily gathering strength, have established their superiority over the enemy, and My Advisers therefore look forward to the future with courage and confidence.

I desire to join with you in expressions of gratitude for the widespread and bounteous rainfall that providentially followed an unusually dry summer, encouraging us to hope for a year of abundant production, and a return to the prosperous seasons with which this State has been blest.

The very severe drought conditions which extended over a period of a whole year necessitated action by the Government in directions which are fortunately not usually within the scope of Government Departments.

The Government has not hesitated to meet the succeeding emergencies as they arose. The action taken in October last, before the severity of the drought had become pronounced, in securing supplies of seed wheat to ensure the sowing of this season's crop has been fully justified.

When the harvest returns began to come in, it became apparent that there would be a shortage of wheat for milling purposes, and, unless importations were made, a bread famine was likely to arise. In the unsettled state of the world's commerce the milling trade was unwilling to undertake the risk of importing wheat, and the Government met the position by arranging to import. So far seven cargoes of Argentine and Californian wheat have been bought, to arrive at suitable dates, and these are considered sufficient to meet requirements until August next.

Unfortunately, also, the shortage of fodder for stock has necessitated similar action, and despite very great difficulties, arrangements have been made to import hay from California. My Advisers at an early stage arranged for immediate relief being given in the newly-settled Mallee country, and subsequently, after due inquiry, made advances to the cultivators for the purchase of seed wheat and fodder, extending this relief over a wide area of the State on which the crops had failed.

In view of the prospective great demand for wheat supplies the cultivation of as large an area as possible was encouraged by the Government, and it is confidently expected that as the result of the assistance rendered to the farmers the area under wheat cultivation this season will constitute a record in the history of the State.

In order to meet the deficit, which was assured would result on this year's Revenue account, the Government last Session obtained authority to issue Treasury Bonds to the amount of £1,200,000.

Consequent upon the continued drought and war conditions, it is anticipated that the Revenue will not reach the estimate, and that the Expenditure will be heavier than was estimated. When, at a later date, the amount of this additional deficit is ascertained, the Government proposes to ask Parliament for an extension of the Treasury Bonds authority.

Though arrangements have not yet been completed, the money necessary to meet the loan requirements for a year from date is practically assured.

At the request of the Imperial Government My Advisers have undertaken the purchase and shipment of all meat available for export in the State during the continuance of the war, and the arrangements made are working satisfactorily to all parties.

The Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out the Murray River Waters Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia will be re-introduced early this Session. The agreement has been ratified by the Parliament of New South Wales. When it is adopted, steps will immediately be taken to proceed with Water Storage on the Upper Murray.

The unprecedented drought of the present year has shown the need of additional water storages on the Goulburn and other rivers. Those already in course of construction are being pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The estimated cost of these storages is £820,000.

There has been a steady local demand for unallotted Closer Settlement blocks in irrigation districts. Owing to the low flow of all Victorian rivers, due to the drought, and the consequent shortage in existing districts, the extension of settlement to new areas has not been encouraged. While the unparalleled shortage in the water supply made it impossible to meet all requirements, no effort has been spared to make the best possible use of the limited supply. The co-operation of New South Wales in regulating diversions from the Murray has been of the greatest assistance.

The improvement of the Outer Harbors of the State is progressing steadily. Contracts are in hand at each place, and details for further sections of the work are being prepared.

The Shipbuilding Yard at Williamstown is proving itself an important industry of the State. Large contracts for the construction of dredges and other work have already been undertaken, and the Yard has been of inestimable service in the fitting up of troopships for the Commonwealth Government.

The Central Cool Stores at the Victoria Dock were completed last year, and are a marked success. The advantages of such an undertaking have been more pronounced owing to war conditions, and to the necessity for extra storage on account of the scarcity of oversea freight.

An active policy of construction work has been adopted in order to provide employment for large numbers of artisans and labourers who, through the adverse season, have been unfortunately placed as regards their usual occupations.

The deepening operations at the Heads, which were suspended for a time on account of a temporary shortage of explosives caused by the war, have now been resumed, and every effort is being made to ensure sufficient depth in the entrance channel to enable the largest ships to enter our port with safety.

The Royal Commission on Closer Settlement has continued its inquiries, and as soon as a report is presented the recommendations of the Commission will receive the most careful consideration of My Advisers, and such legislative provision as may be deemed necessary will be submitted for the attention of Parliament.

Railway construction work is being pushed on vigorously, and has provided an amount of employment larger than for many years past. The number of workmen directly employed reached 2,887 in February, while fully 1,000 more were employed in preparing materials.

For various reasons several proposed extensions of Victorian railway lines into the Riverina are deferred for the present, but a full investigation by Victorian Officers with regard to a proposed Victorian gauge railway from Echuca to Moulamein (N.S.W.) has been made, and it is hoped that an arrangement will be come to shortly for its construction on terms mutually agreeable to the two States concerned.

In furtherance of their policy of developing the mining resources of the State, My Advisers, under the provisions of the Mining Development Acts, have assisted certain mines in Bendigo, Ballarat, Stawell, and other mining centres. They believe that developments resulting therefrom will be of far-reaching importance. They have also assisted numerous parties of working miners engaged prospecting in different parts of the State. It is hoped that new discoveries may be made which will lead to an increase in gold production.

The better conservation of State Forests is receiving careful consideration by the adoption of improved methods, which will necessarily entail an increased annual expenditure. It is hoped that the valuable timber of the State will be more effectively preserved.

The present time is considered opportune for establishing in different parts of the State depôts for seasoning timber. It is expected that, an ample stock of seasoned timber being made available, not only will the use of our own timbers become more general, but a large revenue will be derived therefrom.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It is the intention of My Advisers to submit at the earliest opportunity for your consideration measures for the temporary re-enactment of the *Price of Goods Act 1914* and the *Foodstuffs and Commodities Act 1914*.

It is also proposed to introduce a Bill whereby co-operation between the Commonwealth and State with regard to the preparation, printing, and maintenance of a joint electoral roll can be secured.

The following Legislative proposals will also be submitted for your consideration :—

- A Bill for the creation of a Metropolitan Council.
- A Bill to regulate the Public Charities of Victoria.
- A County Courts Bill.
- A Bill to regulate the price of Gas in the Metropolitan area.
- A Bill relating to Combinations and Monopolies.
- A Bill to facilitate the sewerage of Country Towns.
- A Public Health Bill.

Bills dealing with the following subjects will also be laid before you :—Loans to Municipalities to provide work for the unemployed ; Miners' Phthisis ; Weights and Measures ; and other matters of interest and importance to the people of the State, particularly questions which may in the interests of the community become necessary during the continuance of the war.

The Consolidation of the Statutes, which has for several years engaged the attention of the Honorable Mr. Justice Cussen, has been completed, and My Advisers will submit the Consolidating Bills for your consideration and approval at an early date.

I commend to your careful consideration these and other measures which may be brought before you, and I pray that your labours may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, materially conduce to the welfare of the people of Victoria.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

20th April, 1915.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate ensued.

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

And, after debate—

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

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, As a further mark of respect to the memory of the late George Sangster, Esquire, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

 WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. **ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.**—The Clerk, at the Table, said :—"I have to inform the House of the likelihood of the continued absence of Mr. Speaker in consequence of illness. The Chairman of Committees will, therefore, take the Chair as Deputy-Speaker during such continued absence." The Chairman of Committees then took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. **DEPUTY-CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Member for Maryborough, the Honorable Alfred Richard Outtrim, do act as Deputy-Chairman of Committees during the continued absence of Mr. Speaker.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. **SOUTH MELBOURNE MARKETS SITE AND CONNECTING RAILWAY.**—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the area of land bounded by Hanna, Moore, Miles, Dodds, Coventry, Wells, and Bank streets, in the City of South Melbourne, by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of operating the same to advantage, in order to serve the said area for the purpose of a wholesale and retail perishable produce market, and of the suitability of the said area for such market ; together with Appendix, Minutes of Evidence, and Plans.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
5. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Elmslie moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the proposed Address:—
"and we desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of this House."
Debate ensued.
Mr. Hogan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
7. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1915.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—*and on the amendment*—That the following words be added to the proposed Address :—“and we desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of this House”—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

J. E. MACKEY,

Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Bowser presented a Petition from the President and Secretary of the Country Master Bakers' Association praying that the House will be pleased to take such steps as will secure for the country master bakers the appointment of a separate Wages Board on which they will be effectually represented, and which will deal exclusively with the interests of the country baking industry.
On the motion of Mr. Bowser, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Murray River Waters Agreement.—Memorandum by Mr. Elwood Mead, Chairman of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
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 :—
Explosives Act 1890—Additions to Orders in Council—
No. 1 of the 12th day of October, 1909, relating to the Classification of Explosives.—
Class 3.—Nitro-compound.—Order in Council.
No. 6 of the 12th day of October, 1909.—Class 3.—Nitro-compound.—Order in Council.
No. 6 of the 12th day of October, 1909.—Prohibiting the Manufacture of certain Explosives except under certain Conditions or Restrictions.—Rackarock and Lithyte.—Order in Council.
No. 2 of the 12th day of October, 1909.—Manufacture of Explosives.—Order in Council.
Marine Act 1890.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Amendment of the Regulations relating to the Examination of Engineers.
Public Service Acts—
Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Department of Chief Secretary.—Add Clause 10B.
Regulations.—Classification of General Division—
Department of Public Works.
Department of Chief Secretary.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—and on the amendment—That the following words be added to the proposed Address :—“ and we desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of this House ”—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. A. A. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Hannah,	
Mr. Hogan,	
Mr. Jewell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Lemmon,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Rogers.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Gordon,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. W. K. Smith,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McCutcheon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Jewell moved, That the debate on the main question be now adjourned.

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

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced that he had received from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the following Commission, which he read:—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir JOHN MADDEN, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

To the Honorable JOHN EMANUEL MACKEY, M.L.A., Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria:

GREETING:

WHEREAS by the twenty-eighth section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, No. 1075*, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor, do by these presents command and authorize you, on such occasions as the Honorable the Speaker may be absent, from time to time in the State Parliament House, in the City of Melbourne, to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Assembly as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Assembly.

(L.S.) Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State this twenty-eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and in the fifth year of His Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN,

As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. MURRAY.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 431, this twenty-eighth day of April, One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

W. A. CALLAWAY.

3. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced that he had received a return to the Writ issued by Mr. Speaker on the 20th April instant for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Port Melbourne, by which it appeared that Owen Sinclair, 242 Graham-street, Port Melbourne, flint glass maker, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
4. MEMBER SWORN.—Owen Sinclair, Esq., was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.

6. SUPPLY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. WAYS AND MEANS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Three o'clock on Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Nine o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after Four o'clock on Thursday.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday and Thursday in each week during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND PRIVATE BUSINESS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That on Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business until half-past Seven o'clock; after that hour business shall be called on in the following order, viz.:—

On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business :

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

General Business :

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

On the alternate Wednesday—

General Business :

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

Private Bill Business :

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. **PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Angus, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Jewell, and Mr. McGregor; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Bowser, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Farthing, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Keast, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Snowball; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Oman, Mr. Pennington, Mr. Rogers, and Mr. Solly; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Campbell, Mr. Keast, Mr. McLeod, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Tunnecliffe; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. **PRICE OF GOODS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to continue the ‘Price of Goods Act 1914’ and the ‘Price of Goods Act 1914 (No. 2)’ and to repeal Section Two of the last-mentioned Act*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
18. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof.*”
Mr. Hutchinson moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the order for third reading.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
19. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Hutchinson, and the same was read:—
- JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.
- Message No. 2.*
- In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of the Bill to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof.
- Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th April, 1915.
- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
20. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor’s Message, No. 2, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of the Bill to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
21. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

22. **VACCINATION COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the efficacy of vaccination and upon the operation of the vaccination laws of the State; such Committee to consist of Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Carlisle, Mr. A. Gray, Mr. Jewell, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
23. **WATER GRANTED TO IRRIGATORS IN THE ROCHESTER DISTRICT.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of water granted to irrigators in the Rochester district who are not in possession of water rights; also the names of those to whom such water was granted.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
24. **SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.**—Mr. Elmslie obtained leave, with Mr. Hannah and Mr. J. W. Billson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 9th June next.
25. **CASH SHORTAGES AT METROPOLITAN AND SUBURBAN RAILWAY STATIONS.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the list of cash shortages at metropolitan and suburban railway stations at 31st December of last year.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
26. **TOTALIZATOR BILL.**—Mr. Farthing obtained leave, with Mr. Oman, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to Legalize the Totalizator under Certain Circumstances and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 23rd June next.
27. **ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.**—Mr. Prendergast, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Elmslie, obtained leave, with Mr. Plain, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Solly, and Mr. Warde, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the Office of Alderman and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 7th July next.
28. **POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE BILL.**—Mr. Blackburn obtained leave, with Mr. Solly, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Defence of Poor Prisoners and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 21st July next.
29. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 3.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Metropolitan Council and for the further and better Local Management of the Metropolitan Area.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th April, 1915.

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

30. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 3, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Metropolitan Council and for the further and better Local Management of the Metropolitan Area.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for a Metropolitan Council and for the further and better Local Management of the Metropolitan Area*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

31. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Mackinnon, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 4.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of imposts for the purposes of a Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other Waters and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th April, 1915.

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

32. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 4, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of imposts for the purposes of a Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other Waters and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Mackinnon and Mr. J. Gray do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Mackinnon then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other Waters and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th April, 1915.

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

34. MUNICIPAL LOANS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 5, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

35. PRICE OF GOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

36. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

 THURSDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. HOUSING OF THE PEOPLE COMMISSION.—Mr. Murray moved, by leave, That the sum of £450 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission on the Housing Conditions of the People appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the housing conditions of the people, being the addition of £350 to the amount previously fixed by the Order in Council of the 6th April, 1914, as the maximum expenditure.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. WHEAT OBTAINED BY THE GOVERNMENT UNDER CONTRACT AND PRICE PAID.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Hogan, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of bushels of wheat obtained by the Government from John Darling and Sons and James Bell and Company under the contract made with them by the Government, not including the 250,000 bushels held by the Government before making this contract.
 2. The price per bushel paid to those agents for wheat secured under this contract.
 3. The price per bushel paid for the 250,000 bushels secured by the Government before entering into this contract.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 18th May next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. FOODSTUFFS AND COMMODITIES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

5. PRICE OF GOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Lemmon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Toutcher.

Noes, 9.

Mr. Bayles,	Mr. W. K. Smith.
Mr. Bowser,	
Mr. Downward,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCutcheon,	
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Menzies,	Mr. Oman.

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

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

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

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

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

Dentists Acts—The Dental Board of Victoria.—Regulation VIII. repealed, new Regulation made.—Regulation VIII. (c).—As regards the Course of Professional Study.

Fisheries Acts—

Notice of Intention to prescribe Minimum Lengths in lieu of Minimum Weights for certain Species of Fish (2 papers).

Notice of Intention to permit Netting in Lake Cooper, near Corop, &c.

Notice of Intention to prohibit Fishing in or the taking of Fish from the Jeeralang and Traralgon Creeks, County of Buln Buln.

Notice of Intention to substitute a Minimum Length of Eight Inches for Garfish.

Notice of Intention to amend the Regulations *re* Netting in Lake Tyers.

Notice of Intention to prohibit the Selling or Exposing for Sale of Trout of all kinds not indigenous to Victoria.

Foodstuffs and Commodities Act 1914.—Regulation relating to the Form of Return of Quantities of Wheat and Flour in Possession or Control.—Order in Council.

Workers' Compensation Act 1914.—Amended Regulations.—Order in Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue the Foodstuffs and Commodities Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th April, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue the 'Price of Goods Act 1914' and the 'Price of Goods Act 1914 (No. 2)' and to repeal Section Two of the last-mentioned Act,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th April, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Add the following New Clause :—

A. Notwithstanding anything in the *Price of Goods Act 1914* the Board, before reporting to the Governor in Council as to what prices should be the highest selling prices for any goods or kinds of goods not included in any report made before the commencement of this Act, shall satisfy itself that the selling prices of those goods or kinds of goods have been affected by the war.

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 18th May next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at ten minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 18th May next.

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 18TH MAY, 1915.

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

2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported that, as directed by this Honorable House, he had, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 28th April last, in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament. His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King I thank you for your expressions of loyalty to Our Most Gracious Sovereign contained in the Address which you have just presented to me.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th May, 1915.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

“ *An Act to continue the Foodstuffs and Commodities Acts.* ”

“ *An Act to continue the ' Price of Goods Act 1914 ' and the ' Price of Goods Act 1914 (No. 2) ' and to repeal Section Two of the last-mentioned Act.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 30th April, 1915.

4. AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES AT THE WAR IN EUROPE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House desires to place on record its unbounded admiration of and pride in the magnificent fighting qualities displayed by the Australian Imperial Forces at the Dardanelles, and to congratulate them on their splendid achievements.

And the motion having been seconded by Mr. J. W. Billson—
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Honorable Members then rose in their places, gave cheers for the Australian Imperial Forces, sang the National Anthem, and gave three cheers for the King.

5. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Coal Mines Regulation Act 1909.—Annual Report of the Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board to the Honorable J. Drysdale Brown, M.P., Minister of Mines for Victoria, for the year 1914.

Mr. Hutchinson presented—

Water granted to Irrigators in the Rochester District.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 28th April, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

John Murray Training Ship Commission.—Copy of Order in Council fixing the Maximum Expenditure.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of "The Public Account" of certain Moneys for the purpose of substituting Heavy Rails for Light Rails on certain Lines of Railway.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th May, 1915.

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

7. RAILWAYS ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 7, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of "The Public Account" of certain Moneys for the purpose of substituting Heavy Rails for Light Rails on certain Lines of Railway.

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

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

Mr. Mackinnon then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of 'The Public Account' of certain Moneys for the purpose of substituting Heavy Rails for Light Rails on certain Lines of Railway*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1914—Regulation.—Charges prescribed to be paid by Non-Contributing Municipalities in respect of Patients from their Districts received into Queen's Memorial Infectious Diseases Hospital, Fairfield.—Order in Council.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 8.

The Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that the laws relating to the undermentioned subjects be consolidated (that is to say) :—

Acts Interpretation	Game	Poisons
Aborigines	Geelong Harbor Trust	Police Offences
Administration and Probate	Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage	Police Regulation
Agent-General	Gold Buyers	Pounds
Agricultural Colleges	Goods	Printers and Newspapers
Arbitration	Hawkers and Pedlers	Provident Societies
Auction Sales	Health	Public Service
Audit	Hospitals and Charities	Public Works
Bakers and Millers	Income Tax	Railway Lands Acquisition
Banks and Currency	Inebriates	Railways
Bees	Infant Life Protection	Railways Standing Committee
Beet Sugar Works	Insolvency	Rating on Unimproved Values
Boilers Inspection	Instruments	Real Property
Building Societies	Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief	Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages
Butchers and Abattoirs	Land	Seamen
Carriages	Landlord and Tenant	Seeds
Carriers and Innkeepers	Lands Compensation	Senate Elections (Times and Places)
Cemeteries	Land Surveyors	Servants' Registry Offices
Children's Court	Land Tax	Settled Estates and Settled Lands
Chinese	Legal Profession Practice	Shearers' Hut Accommodation
Closer Settlement	Libraries	Sheep Dipping
Coal Mines Regulation	Licensing	Stamps
The Constitution Act Amendment Act	Lifts Regulation	Statistics
Conveyancing	Livery and Agistment	Stock Diseases
Coroners	Local Government	Stock Foods
Country Roads	Lunacy	Temperance Halls
County Courts	Marine	Theatres
Crown Remedies and Liability	Marine Stores and Old Metals	Thistles
Dairy Supervision	Markets	Trade Unions
Developmental Railways	Marriage	Training Ships
Dogs	Married Women's Property	Tramways
Drainage Areas	Master and Apprentice	Transfer of Land
Drainage of Land	Meat Supervision	University
Education	Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works	Unlawful Assemblies and Processions
Electric Light and Power	Melbourne Harbor Trust	Vegetation and Vine Diseases
Employers and Employés	Mines	Vermin Destruction
Explosives	Mining Development	Veterinary Surgeons
Export Products	Mint	Water
Factories and Shops	Money Lenders	Weights and Measures
Fences	Motor Cars	Wills
Fertilizers	Neglected Children	Workers' Compensation
Fire Brigades	Partnership	Wrongs ;
Fisheries	Pawnbrokers	
Forests	Penalties	
Friendly Societies		
Fruit		

and that the laws relating to the undermentioned subjects be consolidated and amended (that is to say) :—

Companies	Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors Juries Justices	Medical
Crimes		State Savings Bank
Evidence		Supreme Court
Gaols		Trusts ;

and that Bills be introduced for the purposes aforesaid, and that such sums of money as may be necessary for the purposes of such Bills, or any of them, be appropriated out of the Consolidated Revenue ; and that such duties, rates, taxes, rents, returns, or imposts as are therein expressed to be appropriated be appropriated accordingly for the purposes specified in such Bills or any of them.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th May, 1915.

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

4. **INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.**—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.**—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to restrict the Sale or Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor during the Present War* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **TRUSTS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to repeal Section Seventeen of the ‘ Trusts Act 1891’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **DANDENONG LAND BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of Portion of certain Land situate in the Town of Dandenong as a Site for a Public Park* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **CRIMES BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to further amend the ‘ Crimes Act 1891’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **POLICE OFFENCES BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Police Offences Act 1912’ in regard to Drunkards* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. **ALBERT PARK LAND BILL.**—Mr. Livingston obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the Municipal Districts of the City of South Melbourne and the City of St. Kilda as a Site for a Public Park* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
12. **RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE RAILWAY.**—Mr. Mackinnon, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Rushworth to Stanhope be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—
Clause 1, line 5, omit the figures “ 1914 ” and insert the figures “ 1915.”
Clause 2, line 1, before the word “ Nothing ” insert the words “ Save as otherwise expressly provided.”
Clause 9, line 27, after the word “ situate ” insert the word “ and.”
„ line 28, omit the word “ and.”
„ line 29, omit the words “ (c) in one at least of the Melbourne daily newspapers.”
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—
Clause 40, sub-section (1), insert the following new paragraph to follow paragraph (b) :—
(bb) The wages paid to any workman employed shall be the wages paid by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works until a Wages Board is constituted and a Determination made fixing the hours to be worked and the wages to be paid to sewerage workers.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Angus,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. D. Smith,	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Solly,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Warde,	Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. Downward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. McLachlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Gordon,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Hannah,	Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.	Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Rouget,
		Mr. Keast,	Mr. Toutcher.
		Mr. Lawson,	
		Mr. Leckie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Carlisle,
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray.
		Mr. McGregor,	

And so it passed in the negative.

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

Clause 70, line 45, after the word "not" insert the words "without the consent of the Minister."

Clause 87, line 43, omit the word "five" and insert the word "six."

Clause 105, line 7, before the word "either" insert the words "take on lease or."

„ line 8, after the word "purchase" omit the words "or take on lease for such term as it thinks fit and with or without right of purchase."

„ line 17, after the word "Act" omit the words "purchase or take on lease (whether by agreement or compulsorily)" and insert the words "take on lease or purchase as aforesaid."

Second Schedule, after the word "Act" omit the figures "1914" and insert the figures "1915."

Third Schedule, after the word "Act" omit the figures "1914" and insert the figures "1915."

Fifth Schedule, after the word "Act" omit the figures "1914" and insert the figures "1915."

In the Title, after the word "thereof" add the words "and for other purposes."

Mr. Lawson, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

Add the following new clause to follow clause 186 :—

Application of Certain Provisions to Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.

A. Sections fifty-three, ninety-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty, one hundred and fifty-one except paragraph (x) thereof, one hundred and fifty-six, and one hundred and seventy-eight of this Act shall extend and apply to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works; and for the purposes of this section in the construction of the said sections unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

(a) "A Sewerage Authority" or "the Sewerage Authority" means the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works;

(b) "This Act" means the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts;

(c) "By-law" or "regulation" means by-law or regulation under the last-mentioned Acts; and

(d) "Sewerage district" means the metropolis within the meaning of the last-mentioned Acts.

And the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

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

14. MUNICIPAL LOANS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered that the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive be postponed until after the Notices of Motion, General Business.

16. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—Mr. Downward obtained leave, with Mr. Campbell, to bring in a Bill intitled "A Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 14th July next.

17. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Honorable David Robert Hall, M.L.A., Attorney-General and Minister of Justice of New South Wales.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

18. RAILWAYS ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 20TH MAY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. TRUSTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Farthing moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until after No. 5.

7. CONSOLIDATING BILLS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 8, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that the laws relating to the undermentioned subjects be consolidated (that is to say) :—

Acts Interpretation	Game	Poisons
Aborigines	Geelong Harbor Trust	Police Offences
Administration and Probate	Geelong Waterworks and	Police Regulation
Agent-General	Sewerage	Pounds
Agricultural Colleges	Gold Buyers	Printers and Newspapers
Arbitration	Goods	Provident Societies
Auction Sales	Hawkers and Pedlers	Public Service
Audit	Health	Public Works
Bakers and Millers	Hospitals and Charities	Railway Lands Acquisition
Banks and Currency	Income Tax	Railways
Bees	Inebriates	Railways Standing Committee
Beet Sugar Works	Infant Life Protection	Rating on Unimproved Values
Boilers Inspection	Insolvency	Real Property
Building Societies	Instruments	Registration of Births Deaths
Butchers and Abattoirs	Inter-State Destitute Persons	and Marriages
Carriages	Relief	Seamen
Carriers and Innkeepers	Land	Seeds
Cemeteries	Landlord and Tenant	Senate Elections (Times and
Children's Court	Lands Compensation	Places)
Chinese	Land Surveyors	Servants' Registry Offices
Closer Settlement	Land Tax	Settled Estates and Settled
Coal Mines Regulation	Legal Profession Practice	Lands
The Constitution Act Amend-	Libraries	Shearers' Hut Accommoda-
ment Act	Licensing	tion
Conveyancing	Lifts Regulation	Sheep Dipping
Coroners	Livery and Agistment	Stamps
Country Roads	Local Government	Statistics
County Courts	Lunacy	Stock Diseases
Crown Remedies and Liability	Marine	Stock Foods
Dairy Supervision	Marine Stores and Old Metals	Temperance Halls
Developmental Railways	Markets	Theatres
Dogs	Marriage	Thistles
Drainage Areas	Married Women's Property	Trade Unions
Drainage of Land	Master and Apprentice	Training Ships
Education	Meat Supervision	Tramways
Electric Light and Power	Melbourne and Metropolitan	Transfer of Land
Employers and Employés	Board of Works	University
Explosives	Melbourne Harbor Trust	Unlawful Assemblies and
Export Products	Mines	Processions
Factories and Shops	Mining Development	Vegetation and Vine Diseases
Fences	Mint	Vermin Destruction
Fertilizers	Money Lenders	Veterinary Surgeons
Fire Brigades	Motor Cars	Water
Fisheries	Neglected Children	Weights and Measures
Forests	Partnership	Wills
Friendly Societies	Pawnbrokers	Workers' Compensation
Fruit	Penalties	Wrongs ;

and that the laws relating to the undermentioned subjects be consolidated and amended (that is to say) :—

Companies	Imprisonment of Fraudulent	Medical
Crimes	Debtors	State Savings Bank
Evidence	Juries	Supreme Court
Gaols	Justices	Trusts ;

and that Bills be introduced for the purposes aforesaid, and that such sums of money as may be necessary for the purposes of such Bills, or any of them, be appropriated out of the Consolidated Revenue; and that such duties, rates, taxes, rents, returns, or imposts as are therein expressed to be appropriated be appropriated accordingly for the purposes specified in such Bills or any of them.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Mackinnon and Sir Alexander Peacock do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing resolution.

8. **CONSOLIDATING BILLS.**—Mr. Mackinnon then brought up Bills to consolidate the laws relating to the following subjects, viz. :—Acts Interpretation, Aborigines, Administration and Probate, Agent-General, Agricultural Colleges, Arbitration, Auction Sales, Audit, Bakers and Millers, Banks and Currency, Bees, Beet Sugar Works, Boilers Inspection, Building Societies, Butchers and Abattoirs, Carriages, Carriers and Innkeepers, Cemeteries, Children's Court, Chinese, Closer Settlement, Coal Mines Regulation, The Constitution Act Amendment Act, Conveyancing, Coroners, Country Roads, County Courts, Crown Remedies and Liability, Dairy Supervision, Developmental Railways, Dogs, Drainage Areas, Drainage of Land, Education, Electric Light and Power, Employers and Employés, Explosives, Export Products, Factories and Shops, Fences, Fertilizers, Fire Brigades, Fisheries, Forests, Friendly Societies, Fruit, Game, Geelong Harbor Trust, Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage, Gold Buyers, Goods, Hawkers and Pedlers, Health, Hospitals and Charities, Income Tax, Inebriates, Infant Life Protection, Insolvency, Instruments, Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief, Land, Landlord and Tenant, Lands Compensation, Land Surveyors, Land Tax, Legal Profession Practice, Libraries, Licensing, Lifts Regulation, Livery and Agistment, Local Government, Lunacy, Marine, Marine Stores and Old Metals, Markets, Marriage, Married Women's Property, Master and Apprentice, Meat Supervision, Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, Melbourne Harbor Trust, Mines, Mining Development, Mint, Money Lenders, Motor Cars, Neglected Children, Partnership, Pawnbrokers, Penalties, Poisons, Police Offences, Police Regulation, Pounds, Printers and Newspapers, Provident Societies, Public Service, Public Works, Railway Lands Acquisition, Railways, Railways Standing Committee, Rating on Unimproved Values, Real Property, Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages, Seamen, Seeds, Senate Elections (Times and Places), Servants' Registry Offices, Settled Estates and Settled Lands, Shearers' Hut Accommodation, Sheep Dipping, Stamps, Statistics, Stock Diseases, Stock Foods, Temperance Halls, Theatres, Thistles, Trade Unions, Training Ships, Tramways, Transfer of Land, University, Unlawful Assemblies and Processions, Vegetation and Vine Diseases, Vermin Destruction, Veterinary Surgeons, Water, Weights and Measures, Wills, Workers' Compensation, Wrongs; and also Bills to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the following subjects, viz. :—Companies, Crimes, Evidence, Gaols, Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors, Juries, Justices, Medical, State Savings Bank, Supreme Court, Trusts; and the said Bills were read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- Mr. Mackinnon moved, That these Bills be now read a second time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bills read a second time.
- Mr. Mackinnon moved, That these Bills be committed to a Select Committee.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. **CONSOLIDATION OF THE LAWS.**—Mr. Mackinnon moved, by leave, That a Select Committee be appointed to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the question of the Consolidation of the Laws; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Snowball, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; five to be the quorum.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That the Consolidating Bills, which were read a second time this day, be referred to the said Committee.
- Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has appointed a Committee, consisting of five Members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the question of the Consolidation of the Laws, and to request that the Legislative Council will be pleased to appoint an equal number of Members to be joined with the Members of this House; five to be the quorum.
10. **DANDENONG LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 6 be postponed until after Nos. 7 and 8.
12. **ALBERT PARK LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Livingston moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Livingston, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

13. MUNICIPAL LOANS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read
a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through
the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been
suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee
of the whole House was agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.
14. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been
read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he
have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an
Order of the Day for Thursday next.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day
Nos. 9 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
16. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 25TH MAY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock, on behalf of Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders.
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
3. EXFORD STORAGE RESERVOIR AND IRRIGATION AREA.—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Robertson, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The progress made with the construction of the Exford Storage Reservoir.
 2. The names of the contractors.
 3. The date of the contract.
 4. The date, in terms of the contract, specified for the works to be completed.
 5. The number of holdings, and how many acres of land have been settled in the irrigation area to which no water rights have been allotted.
 6. The date the first irrigation land was offered for settlement and the earliest date giving permission to occupy a block or blocks in the irrigation area.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Legal Practitioners Reciprocity Act 1903.—Council of Legal Education.—Consolidated Rules relating to the Qualification of Candidates to practise as, and for and regulating the Admission of, Barristers and Solicitors, and Temporary Rule relating to the Qualification to practise as Barristers and Solicitors.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Membrey, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of a Bill to further amend the *Boilers Inspection Act 1906*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th May, 1915.

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

6. **BOILERS INSPECTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 9, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Membrey, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of a Bill to further amend the *Boilers Inspection Act 1906*.

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

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

Mr. Membrey then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act 1906'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. **INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—Debate resumed.

Mr. D. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have appointed a Committee of five Members to join with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly to consider and report upon the question of the Consolidation of the Laws, such Committee to meet, in the first instance, in the Legislative Council Committee Room on Thursday, 27th May, at Ten o'clock.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 25th May, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the Select Committee appointed by this House to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the question of the Consolidation of the Laws do meet the Committee of the Legislative Council in the Legislative Council Committee Room on Thursday next, at Ten o'clock.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has directed the Select Committee appointed by them to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the question of the Consolidation of the Laws to meet the Committee appointed by the Legislative Council in the Legislative Council Committee Room on Thursday next, at Ten o'clock.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Livingston presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Education.—Additional Appendices to the Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1913-14.

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 :—

Public Service Acts—

Regulations.—Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—

Addendum to Clause 18.

Addendum to Clause 30.

Part III.—Miscellaneous.—Special Allowances.—Add 54A.

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

General.

Department of the Treasurer.

Department of Public Instruction.

Regulations.—Promotion in the Clerical Division from Class to Class, Chapter IV.

3. MEDICAL BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to certain Graduates in Medicine and Surgery who are on War Service*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT—JOINT STANDING ORDERS.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report of the Standing Orders Committee recommending that certain Joint Standing Orders now in force be repealed, and certain proposed new Joint Standing Orders be adopted in lieu thereof, having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13, 15, 16, and 22 now in force be repealed, and that the following be adopted as Joint Standing Orders of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly in lieu thereof :—

13A. When a Bill shall have passed both Houses it shall be printed by the Government Printer, who shall furnish three copies thereof on special paper to the Clerk of the Parliaments, who shall duly authenticate such copies.

15A. In case of amendments to Bills made upon a message from the Governor, pursuant to section 36 of *The Constitution Act*, after such Bills shall have passed both Houses, the Clerk of the Parliaments shall indorse the same on the original Bill and shall order three copies of the Bill on special paper as amended, and shall authenticate the same before they are presented for His Majesty's assent.

16A. When the Governor shall have assented in the name of His Majesty to any Bill, one of the three copies printed on special paper shall be deposited by the Clerk of the Parliaments with the Registrar of the Supreme Court, another shall be delivered to the Private Secretary of His Excellency the Governor, for transmission to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and the third shall be retained in the Record Office of the Parliament House.

22A. In case of unavoidable absence or illness of the Clerk of the Parliaments, his duties shall be performed by the Clerk-Assistant of the House of which such Clerk of the Parliaments is the Clerk.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a copy of the Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13A, 15A, 16A, and 22A, as adopted by the Legislative Assembly, be forwarded to the Legislative Council, with a Message requesting that the Legislative Council will be pleased to repeal the Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13, 15, 16, and 22 now in force and adopt in place thereof the Joint Standing Orders transmitted with such Message.

5. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.

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

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

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

THURSDAY, 27TH MAY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Fire Brigades Act 1890.—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ending 31st December, 1914, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Prendergast rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The question of the prices of rent, food, and meat, and the reference of same for the fixing of prices to the Prices Board."
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
5. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Elmslie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 and Nos. 4 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.
7. MEDICAL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until Tuesday next.

9. MUNICIPAL LOANS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 9 inclusive and Nos. 11 and 12 be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 1st JUNE, 1915.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Hutchinson presented—

Wheat obtained by the Government under Contract and Price paid.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th April, 1915.

Exford Storage Reservoir and Irrigation Area.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 25th May, 1915.

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 :—

Foodstuffs and Commodities Act 1914—

Regulation relating to the Form of Return of Quantities of Oats, Maize, Hay, Straw, and Chaff in Possession or Control.—Order in Council.

Notification to furnish Returns of Oats, Maize, Hay, Straw, and Chaff in conformity with the Regulation.

Land Act 1901.—Resumption of Land in the Parish of Portland, County of Normanby, for the execution of Public Works in connexion with the Portland Harbor Improvement Works.—Certificate of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, with Plan attached.

3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Elmslie rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The price of meat."

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

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

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

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

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. FITZROY NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON TRAMWAY BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Construction and Management of certain Tramways in the Municipal Districts of Fitzroy Northcote and Preston and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
3. FOOTSCRAY LAND BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the City of Footscray as a Site for Public Purposes and for a Public Park and Gardens*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. BAIRNSDALE LAND BILL.—Mr. Livingston obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of Portion of certain Land in the Parish of Bairnsdale permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for Public Park and Recreation Purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until this day.
7. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Keast, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (Government Cool Stores).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
8. GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS IN VICTORIAN BANKS AND INTEREST THEREON.—Mr. Prendergast moved pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return under the *Banks and Currency Act 1890* (54 Vict., No. 1164) showing—
 1. The interest earned by Government deposits in the banks trading in Victoria for the year 1914, giving each bank separately and the totals in all banks.
 2. The rate of interest paid by each bank and the conditions observed in the transaction.
 3. The amount of money that passed through the banks in the same period upon which interest was not paid.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

THURSDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker took the Chair.
2. CREAM GRADING BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to regulate the Testing and Grading of Milk and Cream and the Manufacture of Butter and Cheese and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Angus rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “The appointment by the Government of Mr. Shaw as a member of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, and the absence of an expert irrigationist on the Commission.”
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—Mr. Angus moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Report of the Royal Commission on the Victorian Training Ship *John Murray*.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

J. E. MACKEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE, 1915.

- 1 The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2 PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Land Acts.—Addition to Regulations.—Mallee Land.—Order in Council.
 Victorian Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ending 31st March, 1915.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Elmslie rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The removing of the embargo on Wages Boards." Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
 Mr. Elmslie moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the repeal of Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13, 15, and 16, and in the adoption of the new Orders transmitted by the Legislative Assembly in lieu thereof as the Joint Standing Orders of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, but do not concur with the Legislative Assembly in the repeal of Joint Standing Order No. 22.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 8th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President

5. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to certain Graduates in Medicine and Surgery who are on War Service*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 8th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President,

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Rushworth to Stanhope; together with Book of Reference and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.
4. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Lemmon addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech by half-past Seven o'clock, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until this day.
6. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Elmslie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Elmslie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

“That, in the opinion of this House, owing to the serious events happening in Europe and the urgent necessity for securing Australian reinforcements, Parliament should not be asked to deal with any contentious legislation, and the Government be respectfully urged to assist in every way to induce recruiting.”

and request that the Legislative Assembly will be pleased to adopt a similar resolution.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Lemmon moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "the subject of the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report."

Debate ensued.

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

And, after debate—

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part I.—Blue Book.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Fisheries Acts.—Notice of Intention to prescribe Minimum Lengths in lieu of Minimum Weights for certain Species of Fish.
3. NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Nandalay to Kulwin be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Hogan rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The condition of affairs at the Victoria Police Hospital, and the administration of that institution."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Hogan moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Murray addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
On the motion of Mr. Prendergast the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Debate continued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the Notice of Motion, General Business.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—Mr. Snowball obtained leave, with Mr. Gordon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Local Government Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.

7. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—

Mr. Farthing moved, That this Order of the Day be read and discharged, and that the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Murray moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 2, page 2, paragraph (a), line 3, after the word “Acts” insert the words “except sub-section (2) of section seventy-six of the *Licensing Act 1906*.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 28.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. W. K. Smith,	Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Toutcher.	Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Farthing,		Mr. Hutchinson,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. A. Gray,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Rogers.	Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Rouget,
		Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Snowball,
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Warde.
		Mr. McGregor,	
		Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. McPherson,	Mr. J. Gray,
		Mr. Membrey,	Mr. Hannah.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

Clause 2, insert the following new paragraph to follow paragraph (b) :—

“(c) It shall not be lawful for the master of any vessel being a vessel by which passengers are conveyed from any place within Victoria or its dependencies to any place within Victoria to sell or dispose of liquor on Sundays during the passage of such vessel between such places to any passenger on board of such vessel except such liquor be served with a meal between the hours of twelve o'clock noon and two o'clock in the afternoon and five o'clock and seven o'clock in the evening.”

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, as a further amendment, That the proposed amendment be amended by the omission of the words “during the passage of such vessel between such places to any passenger on board of such vessel except such liquor be served with a meal between the hours of twelve o'clock noon and two o'clock in the afternoon and five o'clock and seven o'clock in the evening.”

And, after debate—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment—put and negated.

Question—That the following new paragraph be added to clause 2 :—“(c) It shall not be lawful for the master of any vessel being a vessel by which passengers are conveyed from any place within Victoria or its dependencies to any place within Victoria to sell or dispose of liquor on Sundays”—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CONSOLIDATION OF THE LAWS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Mackinnon, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly on the Consolidation of the Laws; together with the Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and to be taken into consideration to-morrow.
3. JOINT STANDING ORDERS—APPROVAL OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of a letter from the Clerk informing him that His Excellency the Governor had been pleased to approve of the repeal of Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13, 15, and 16, and the substitution of Joint Standing Orders Nos. 13A, 15A, and 16A adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 26th day of May, 1915.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Land Acts.—Additions and Alterations to the Regulations made on 8th January, 1902.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands, Schedule 56, Chapter IX.—Part 2, Section 147, Miscellaneous Licences.—Order in Council.
 - Public Service Acts.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the promotion of Murtagh Murphy from the Second to the First Class, in the Department of Treasurer.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
6. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to enable Articled Law Clerks to reckon Service in connexion with the present War as Service under Articles of Clerkship,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
8. ARTICLED LAW CLERKS (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Snowball, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered, after debate—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 29th June instant.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to repeal Section Seventeen of the 'Trusts Act 1891,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time, *and on the following amendment* :—That all the words after "That" be omitted, with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "the subject of the said Bil be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report"—having been read—

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

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

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

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JUNE, 1915.

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

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 10.

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

“ *An Act relating to certain Graduates in Medicine and Surgery who are on War Service.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th June, 1915.

3. RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE NORTH RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Rushworth to Stanhope North.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. CONSOLIDATION OF THE LAWS—REPORT FROM THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly on the Consolidation of the Laws having been read—

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That the Report be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. CONSOLIDATING BILLS.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, by leave, That the Consolidating Bills be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Bills be considered in Committee to-morrow.

6. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time, *and on the following amendment* :—That all the words after “That” be omitted, with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “the subject of the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House for consideration and report”—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Hutchison,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Toucher.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Leckie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	
Mr. McLachlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Outtrim,	
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Blackburn moved, That the debate on the main question be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until this day.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Snowball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Snowball moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 30th June instant.
9. ARTICLED LAW CLERKS (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Snowball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Mackinnon addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered, after debate—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
10. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

THURSDAY, 17TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1914.
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 :—
Public Service Acts.—Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Chapter IX.—Department of Public Instruction.
Workers' Compensation Act 1914.—Regulations amended.—Order in Council.
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS.—SPECIAL BOARD TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES—RESOLUTION SUBSTITUTED FOR PREVIOUS RESOLUTION.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed as—
(a) carpenters, joiners, or boxmakers;
(b) stackers, sorters, loaders or unloaders of sawn timber;
(c) sawmill, timber yard, box factory, or joiner's workshop employees,
but not including persons under the jurisdiction of the Carpenters, Agricultural Implements, or Picture Frame Boards, or persons engaged in shipbuilding or the erection of bridges, wharfs, or similar structures; and that this resolution be substituted for the resolution passed by this Assembly on the fourth day of September, 1900, declaring that it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a sawmill, timber yard, box factory, or joiner's workshop (being a process, trade, or business usually carried on in a factory or workroom).
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
4. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Prendergast rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The price of fodder."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.

6. **CONSOLIDATING BILLS.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of these Bills in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bills, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of these Bills was in accordance with the Bills as reported—Bills, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bills be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. **FOOTSCRAY LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
Bairnsdale Land Bill—Second reading.
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 1915.

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

A. E. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

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

“ *An Act to repeal Section Seventeen of the ‘ Trusts Act 1891.’* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd June, 1915.

3. SALARY INCREASES TO STORES BRANCH STAFF, SPENCER-STREET.—Mr. Tunnecliffe moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The increases of salary paid to the clerical staff of the Stores Branch at Spencer-street since 1910.
 2. The increases paid to the daily-paid employees at the Stores Branch at Spencer-street during the same period.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SALARY INCREASES TO OFFICERS IN THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Tunnecliffe moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of officers in the Railway Department who were granted increases in salary during 1914 and 1915.
 2. The total amount of such increases.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. BURWOOD AND CAMBERWELL ROADS, HAWTHORN, ELECTRIC TRAMWAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Further Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Burwood and Camberwell Roads, Hawthorn, Electric Tramway ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Burwood and Camberwell Roads, Hawthorn, Electric Tramway.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Compulsory Acquisition by the Government of Meat in Victoria and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd June, 1915.

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

8. MEAT ACQUISITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 12, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Compulsory Acquisition by the Government of Meat in Victoria and for other purposes.

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

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

Mr. Lawson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Compulsory Acquisition by the Government of Meat in Victoria and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council request that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council in order to his being examined regarding certain statements made in connexion with the export of meat from this State.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1915.

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

2. CHILDREN IN STATE SCHOOLS EXAMINED FOR MERIT CERTIFICATES AND QUALIFYING CERTIFICATES.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The number of children in State schools in Victoria who presented themselves for merit certificates—

(a) For 1913.

Inspectoral District.	Number presented for Examination.	Number who passed at First Try in November.	Percentage of Failures.

(b) The same information for 1914.

2. The number of children in State schools in Victoria who presented themselves for qualifying certificates—

(a) For 1913.

Inspectoral District.	Number presented for Examination.	Number who passed.	Percentage of Failures.

(b) The same information for 1914.

3. (a) Total presented for first try for merit certificate ; (b) Percentages of passes and failures ; (c) Total presented for qualifying certificate ; (d) Percentages of passes and failures.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Seed Advances Act* 1914.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 23rd June, 1915.

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

4. **SEED ADVANCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 13, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
- Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
- Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Seed Advances Act 1914*.
- And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
- Ordered—That Mr. Lawson and Mr. J. Gray do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
- Mr. Lawson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Seed Advances Act 1914'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **DEFAULT SUMMONSES BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Default Summonses*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **GEELONG LAND BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to convey certain Land and to grant an Easement of Carriage-way appurtenant thereto over certain other Land as a Gift for Defence Purposes to the Commonwealth of Australia and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Unauthorized Use of the Royal or other Arms and to the Issue of False or Misleading Process and other Documents*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.**—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Melbourne to Burwood Tramways Act 1914'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
10. **MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
- Debate resumed.
- Mr. Chatham moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
- Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
11. **PAPER.**—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
- Closer Settlement Commission.—Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement as relating to the Working of the Closer Settlement Acts in the Non-irrigable Districts; together with Appendices.
- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until this day.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday, 21st July next.
14. **ARTICLED LAW CLERKS (WAR SERVICE) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
- Debate resumed.
- Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Snowball, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

15. **MEAT SUPPLY IN VICTORIA—CONTROL OF AND EXPORT OF MEAT.**—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of the Notice of Motion, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 7th July next.
16. **MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLachlan,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. W. K. Smith.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Hogan,	
Mr. Outtrim,	<i>Tellers</i>
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Hannah,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Lemmon.

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

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

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

17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
18. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

THURSDAY, 24TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ROYAL COMMISSION ON EXPORT OF MEAT—LEAVE GIVEN TO MEMBER TO ATTEND AS WITNESS.—
Mr. Hutchinson having informed the House that he had been requested to attend and give evidence before the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the export of meat—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That leave be given to the Honorable Member for Borung, the Honorable William Hutchinson, to attend, if he think fit, as a witness before the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the export of meat.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. FODDER EXPORTED FROM VICTORIA.—Mr. Hogan moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the quantities of hay, chaff, straw, oats, and compressed fodder exported from Victoria each month this year to date.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Factories and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1914.
Land Acts.—Lease under section 131 of the *Land Act* 1901, Parish of Greta, County of Delatite.
5. SUPPLY (THIRD THURSDAY)—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 273B be suspended so as to allow Order of the Day No. 2 to be taken into consideration before Order of the Day No. 1.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
6. ATTENDANCE OF MEMBER BEFORE SELECT COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council requesting that the Legislative Assembly will give leave to the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council in order to his being examined regarding certain statements made in connexion with the export of meat from this State having been read—
Mr. Speaker said—
“ With the permission of the House I desire to say a few words on the request of the other Chamber that this House should give leave to the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council in order to his being examined regarding certain statements made in connexion with the export of meat from this State.

This, at first sight, appears to be a very simple and innocent request, but with all due deference to the other Chamber I may say I consider it is a very wide and possibly a dangerous request if complied with. Our duty is to protect and preserve all the rights and privileges of this House in their entirety, and not to allow those rights and privileges to be encroached upon even at the polite request of the other Chamber. The right of free speech in Parliament is one of our dearest privileges, and we are here invited to allow one of our Members to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council and be examined as to statements made with regard to certain matters. The request does not confine the examination as to what he said himself, and it may be intended to ask him as to statements made by other Honorable Members.

The Select Committee has the Honorable Minister's statement in *Hansard*, and if that Select Committee desires further information from the Honorable Minister it could only be obtained by a process of cross-examination, which, in my opinion, would be most derogatory to him as a Member of this House and as a Minister of the Crown.

The Honorable Minister is responsible to this House for what he says here as well as for the policy of his Ministry and the administration of his Department, and I am of opinion this House should be slow to give leave for his examination by any body not responsible to this House."

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House, being of opinion that the purpose for which it is proposed in the Message from the Legislative Council to examine the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture before a Committee of that body, contemplates the exercise of a power to interfere with the functions of the Executive not intended by the Constitution to be conferred upon the Legislative Council, and, further, that compliance with such request would involve a serious breach of the privileges of this House and its Members, must refuse its consent to the Honorable Minister becoming a witness as requested.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly, being of opinion that the purpose for which it is proposed in the Message from the Legislative Council to examine the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture before a Committee of that body, contemplates the exercise of a power to interfere with the functions of the Executive not intended by the Constitution to be conferred upon the Legislative Council, and, further, that compliance with such request would involve a serious breach of the privileges of this House and its Members, must refuse its consent to the Honorable Minister becoming a witness as requested.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FODDER IN THE POSSESSION OF PERSONS IN VICTORIA.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers showing the whole of the fodder in the possession of persons in this State, as disclosed in the return lately obtained by the Goods Prices Board.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Inebriate Institutions.—Report of the Inspector of Inebriate Institutions for the year ending 31st December, 1914.
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 31st March, 1915.
Foodstuffs and Commodities Act 1914.—Regulation relating to the Form of Return of Quantities of Wheat and Flour in Possession or Control.—Order in Council.
Marine Act 1890.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Amendment of the Regulations for the Equipment of Ships with Life-saving Appliances.—Order in Council.
Poisons Act 1890.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act.—Alteration of Regulations.—Classification of General Division.—Chapter III.
4. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives and to regulate their Practice,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly
JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd June, 1915.
6. MIDWIFERY BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Livingston, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to restrict the Sale or Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor during the Present War,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 6, omit "later" and insert "latest."
2. Clause 6, line 27, after "Act" insert "(including any amendment of any other Act made by this Act)"

Insert the following new clauses :—

3. B. Notwithstanding anything contained in section one hundred and thirty-five of the *Licensing Act* 1890 no person who resides within the Metropolitan District as defined by section seventy-seven of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1912 shall be deemed a *bonâ-fide* traveller within the meaning of section one hundred and thirty-four of the *Licensing Act* 1890 unless such person shall have travelled on the day when he is supplied with liquor from a place distant at least twenty miles in a direct line from the licensed premises where he is so supplied.

To follow clause 2 :—

4. C. (1) The operation of this Act shall not be held to prevent a licensed victualler from permitting or allowing any billiard or bagatelle table on his licensed premises or any sample-room not in the bar thereof to be used between the hours of half-past nine and half-past eleven at night except on Sundays.
(2) Save as expressly provided in this section nothing in this section shall make lawful anything which would have been a contravention of any of the provisions of the *Licensing Acts* if this section had not passed.

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time.
Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3—

Mr. Murray moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Blackburn moved, as an amendment, That this amendment be amended by omitting the words "who resides within the Metropolitan District as defined by section seventy-seven of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1912."

And, after debate—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the amendment—put and negatived.

Amendment 3, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment 4—

Mr. Murray moved, That this amendment be amended by omitting the words "or any sample-room," in sub-section (1), with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "or to prevent the proper use of any room set apart for the storage of commercial travellers' samples."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the amendment—put and negatived.

Proposed amendment to insert the words "or to prevent the proper use of any room set apart for the storage of commercial travellers' samples" in place of the words omitted, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate resumed.

Mr. Farthing moved, That this amendment be further amended by omitting all the words after the word "premises," in sub-section (1), to the end of the sub-section, with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "or the use of any room where liquor is not exposed for sale and no person using any such room where there is no reason to suspect that liquor is being consumed shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence under section seventy-six of the *Principal Act*."

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. J. Gray,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Hutchinison,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. H. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Membrey,	
Mr. Menzies,	Mr. Livingston,
Mr. Mitchell,	Mr. McGregor.

Noes, 11.

Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. W. K. Smith.
Mr. Farrer,	
Mr. Farthing,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. A. Gray,	
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate continued.

Amendment 4, as amended by the omission of the words "or any sample-room", agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council, having in accordance with the Standing Orders made the request to the Legislative Assembly that leave be given to the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council, cannot agree with the Legislative Assembly that compliance with such request would involve a serious breach of the privileges of the Legislative Assembly and its Members, and, having no desire whatever to exercise a power to interfere with the functions of the Executive, receive with regret the Message of the Legislative Assembly refusing their consent to the Honorable Minister becoming a witness as requested:

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Murray River Waters Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Wonthaggi Land Acts.—Regulations.—Fees payable in connexion with Leases or Agreements in the Township of Wonthaggi.—Order in Council.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

1915.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1915-16.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the months of July, August, and September in the year 1915-16, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

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

4. MEAT COMMISSION.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £100 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the agreement made by the Victorian Government for the supply of frozen meat to His Majesty's Imperial Government, and the export of frozen meat in connexion therewith.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
6. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Mr. Mackey also reported that while the Schedule was under consideration an amendment was proposed that clause 6 be altered in a substantive way, and he ruled that no amendment of the Schedule was admissible which would be contrary to clause 5 of the Bill. The Committee had already passed clause 5 and the other clauses of the Bill without amendment. With his concurrence the Committee now desired to ask the Speaker's opinion upon that ruling.

And, after debate—

Mr. Speaker said—"I understand that at the request of the Committee and of the Chairman of Committees the question of his ruling in regard to this matter has been referred to me, as Speaker. I think I am entitled to go to the beginning of the Bill to see what is meant in order that Honorable Members may fully understand the ruling which is in question. Looking at the preamble of the Bill the question is whether it is desirable 'to ratify and provide for carrying out' a certain agreement. That is the object of this Bill. The measure itself seems to me to be drawn with the intention absolutely of either having the agreement ratified or refused. Clause 5 has been mentioned as a remote or obscure clause, but with that contention I do not agree, for I regard that clause as the heart of the Bill. That clause provides in effect that 'subject to the provisions of this Act' the agreement shall be confirmed. If the Bill passed this House without the alteration of a single line it would not be an Act. It would still be a Bill, and we should have to send it to another place for their consideration. Clause 5 was passed by the Committee and is a resolution of the Committee. Therefore it binds the Committee as to the agreement to which it refers. The matter of the agreement itself stands out as a Schedule only as a matter of convenience and to comply with parliamentary procedure. The agreement might have been inserted in clause 5, but for the convenience of the House, and in accordance with parliamentary practice, it has been put as a Schedule to the Bill. The attention of Honorable Members was drawn to the fact in clause 5 that they were performing the very purpose for which the Bill was brought before the House. Therefore, my ruling is that the Chairman of Committees was absolutely right; that the Committee, having come to a certain resolution on clause 5, thereby ratified the agreement which appears as a Schedule to the Bill. The House will have many other opportunities of refusing to ratify the agreement—for instance, after the third reading, or on the motion for the adoption of the Schedule. The question that the Schedule be adopted is put to enable the House to say whether they will have it or not. After the third reading there will be an opportunity of altering the Bill, or of rejecting it or the Schedule. For these reasons I agree with the Chairman of Committees."

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable Articled Law Clerks to reckon Service in connexion with the present War as Service under Articles of Clerkship*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities*," and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggest that the Legislative Assembly amend the Bill as set forth in the annexed schedule.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said suggested amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 21 inclusive be postponed until this day.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 28th July next.

12. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

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

13. SUPPLY.—Mr. Outtrim reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £2,547,432 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz.:—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	313
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,582
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	216
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	530
5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	215
6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	441
7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	1,166
8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,694
9. " " " Pensions, &c.	5,610
10. " " " Grants	1,200
11. Board for the Protection of Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,053
12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,177
13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	556
14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	867
15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	347
16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure	135
17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	288
18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	869
19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,162
20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	178
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,056
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	928
23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,455
24. Agent-General—Staff and Office	1,875
25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,698
26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,188
27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	53,865
28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	40,682
29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	14,841
30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	97,000
31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,810
32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	987
33. Inspection of Factories and Shops—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	6,913
34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	250,000
35. " Pensions, &c.	190
36. " Works and Buildings	3,000
37. " Endowments and Grants	24,800
39. Supreme Court—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,107
40. Law Officers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,176
41. " " Pensions, &c.	53
42. Crown Solicitor—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,118
43. Prothonotary—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	473
44. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	946
45. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	11,826
46. Sheriff—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,166
47. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,414
48. County Courts, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,673
49. Police Magistrates, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,244
50. Clerks of Courts—Salaries	8,338
51. Coroners—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	989
52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,477
53. " Transport, &c.	1,750
54. " Unforeseen Expenditure	1,000
55. " Allowances to Railway Department	7,500
56. " Grants	28,500
57. " Pensions, &c.	194
58. " Exceptional Expenditure	3,000
59. Advance to Treasurer	300,000
60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,859
61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	10,578
62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	260
63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	897
64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	22,624
65. " " Exceptional Expenditure	150
66. " " Advertising	1,000
67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	24,282
68. Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	11,206
69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	209
70. " " Grants	1,000
71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,491
72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,206
73. Works and Buildings	500
74. Exceptional Expenditure	100
75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	12,767

Division No.	£
76. Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	107,132
78. Public Works—Works and Buildings	71,662
79. „ „ Road Works and Bridges	3,490
80. „ „ Endowments and Grants—Municipalities, &c.	1,500
81. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	1,100
82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,592
83. „ „ Furtherance of Mining Industry	8,500
85. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	1,600
86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	17,519
88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission... ..	29,750
89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,300
90. Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	15,388
92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,541
93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	11,850
94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	11,685
96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	1,140,000
97. „ „ Pensions	4,328
98. „ „ Railway Construction Branch	1,585
99. State Coal Mine	73,000
Total	£2,547,432

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to his Majesty for the service of the year 1915-16 the sum of £2,547,432 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

16. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intitled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and forty-seven thousand four hundred and thirty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

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

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intitled “*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of Portion of certain Land situate in the Town of Dandenong as a Site for a Public Park*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intitled “*An Act to authorize the Temporary Application out of ‘The Public Account’ of certain Moneys for the purpose of substituting Heavy Rails for Light Rails on certain Lines of Railway*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the Municipal Districts of the City of South Melbourne and the City of St. Kilda as a Site for a Public Park,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the City of Footscray as a Site for Public Purposes and for a Public Park and Gardens,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to restrict the Sale or Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor during the Present War,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendments of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow:—

Murray River Waters Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Municipal Loans Bill—Amendments suggested by the Legislative Council—To be considered.

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

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

 THURSDAY, 1ST JULY, 1915.

- 1 The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
 MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and forty-seven thousand four hundred and thirty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President.
 Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 13th July instant.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. JOHN MURRAY TRAINING SHIP COMMISSION.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £550 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon charges made against the management of the Victorian Training Ship *John Murray*, being the addition of £300 to the amount previously fixed by the Order in Council of the 14th April, 1915, as the maximum expenditure.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

6. **FITZROY NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON TRAMWAY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
8. **SEED ADVANCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **MUNICIPAL LOANS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council suggesting amendments in this Bill having been read, the said suggested amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. Clause 2, line 11, omit "June" and insert "August."
 2. Clause 7, paragraph (a), omit this paragraph.
 3. Clause 8, page 3, lines 14–16, after "commission" omit "in trust for the purpose of paying to the Treasurer of Victoria the moneys owing to the said Treasurer" and insert "for the benefit of all holders of debentures of the municipality and the Treasurer of Victoria in respect of any loan under this Act according to their respective priorities as determined by the several dates of the issue of the said debentures and of the agreement for the said loan."
- Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House do make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly, having considered the Message of the Legislative Council suggesting, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, that this House make certain amendments in such Bill, have made the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.
11. **BOILERS INSPECTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive and Nos. 11 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 13th July instant.
13. **GEELONG LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday, 13th July instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the undermentioned Bills, and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment—the several titles of which Bills are as follow :—

A Bill intituled—

- “ *An Act for the Interpretation of Legislative Enactments and for Shortening the Language used therein.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Aboriginal Natives of Victoria.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Agent-General for Victoria.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Colleges of Agriculture.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Arbitration.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Sales by Auction and Auctioneers.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law for the Collection and Payment of the Public Moneys the Audit of the Public Accounts and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Bakers and Millers.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Banks and the Currency.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Bees.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sugar Beet Industry in Victoria.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Inspection and Regulation of Boilers.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Building Societies.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Butchers and Abattoirs.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Licensed Carriages.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Carriers Innkeepers and others.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Cemeteries and Cremation.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Children’s Courts.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Chinese Residents.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Acquisition and Disposal of Land for the purposes of Closer Settlement and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Regulation of Coal Mines.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Companies.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Amendment of the Constitution.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Conveyancing.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Coroners.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Country Roads.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to County Courts.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection and Recovery of Crown Property and the enforcement of Claims against the Crown.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Production and Sale of Milk and Dairy Produce and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Developmental Railways in Country Districts.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dogs.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Drainage of Land in Drainage Areas.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Drainage of Land for Agricultural and other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Education.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the supply of Electricity for Lighting and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Employers and Employés.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate and amend the Law of Evidence.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Importation Carriage Storage Manufacture and Sale of Explosives.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the Inspection of Live Stock, Meat, Dairy Produce, Fruit, and other products intended for Export and regulating the Exportation thereof.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and Shops.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dividing and Vermin-proof Fences.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale of Fertilizers.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Life and Property from Fire and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Fisheries.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law for the Management and Protection of State Forests.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Cool Stores for Fruit, Fruit and Vegetables Packing and Sale and Fruit Cases.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Game.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Gaols.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Geelong Harbor Trust.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Gold Buyers and Assayers and for other purposes.*”
- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dealings in Goods.*”

- "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hawkers and Pedlers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Health."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hospitals and Charities."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the care, control, and treatment of Inebriates."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Infant Life and to other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Insolvency."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Relief of Persons whose Relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Juries."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Justices of the Peace and Courts of General and Petty Sessions."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale and Occupation of Crown Lands."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Landlord and Tenant."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the mode of procedure in taking and determining the Compensation to be paid for Lands required by the State for Public Works."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Licensing of Surveyors and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law providing for a Tax on the Unimproved Value of Land and for the Assessment of Land and other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Practice of the Legal Profession."
 "An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Libraries."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Licensing of Public Houses and the Sale of Fermented and Spirituous Liquors."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the use of Passenger and other Lifts."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law for the better Protection of Livery-stable Keepers and Agisters of Cattle, and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Local Government."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Insane."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Passengers Harbors and Navigation."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Collectors of and Dealers in Special Wares Marine Stores and Old Metals."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Markets."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Marriage and to Guardianship and Custody of Infants and to Deserted Wives and Children and to Divorce and Matrimonial Causes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Property of Married Women."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Masters and Apprentices."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the proper supervision of the Slaughtering of Animals and the Sale of Meat and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners Dentists and Chemists and to adopt and continue the British Pharmacopœia."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the Regulation Management and Improvement of the Port of Melbourne and certain portions of the River Yarra Yarra and certain portions of the Maribyrnong River and for other purposes connected therewith."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Mines."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Advances to Companies and Persons to further develop Mining and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Maintenance in Victoria of a Branch of the Royal Mint."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law with respect to persons carrying on Business as Money Lenders."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the use of Motor Cars."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Neglected Children."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Partnership and the Registration of Firms."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Pawnbrokers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Penalties."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale and Use of Poisons and Poisonous Substances and Preparations."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Police Offences."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Police Force in Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Impounding of Cattle."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the preventing the Printing and Publishing of Books and Papers by persons not known and to the Printing and Publishing of Newspapers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Provident Societies."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Public Service of Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Works."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Railways."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the acquisition of Lands required for the construction of Lines of Railway."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Railways Standing Committee."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the basis of the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Real Property."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages."

- "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Seamen."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Seeds."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the election of Senators for Victoria to the Senate of the Commonwealth."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the regulation of Servants' Registry Offices."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Lands."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hut Accommodation for Shearers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Compulsory Dipping of Sheep."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Stamps."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the State Savings Bank of Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Government Statist and to Statistics."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases in Stock."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Sale of Chaff and other Foods for Stock."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Supreme Court."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law enabling Trustees of Temperance Halls to demise certain lands for terms of years and to raise Loans on the Rents of such lands and buildings and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Licensed Theatres."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the eradication of Thistles."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Trade Unions."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Training Ships."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Tramways."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Simplification of the Title to and the Dealing with Estates in Land."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Trusts and Trustees."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the University of Melbourne."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Unlawful Assemblies and Processions Special Constables and Riotously Disturbed Districts."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Destruction and Suppression of Rabbits and other Vermin."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Veterinary Surgeons."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Conservation and Supply of Water to declare the Law relating to certain Rights in Natural Waters the property in the beds and banks containing the same and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures."
 "An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Wills."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Compensation to Workers for Injuries occurring in the course of their Employment."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Wrongs."

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 17 to 22 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 13th July instant.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 13th July instant.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 13TH JULY, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

*Governor of Victoria.**Message No. 15.*

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

- “ *An Act to enable Articled Law Clerks to reckon Service in connexion with the Present War as Service under Articles of Clerkship.*”
- “ *An Act to restrict the Sale or Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor during the Present War.*”
- “ *An Act to authorize the Temporary Application out of the Public Account of certain Moneys for the purpose of substituting Heavy Rails for Light Rails on certain Lines of Railway.*”
- “ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of Portion of certain Land situate in the Town of Dandenong as a Site for a Public Park.*”
- “ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the Municipal Districts of the City of South Melbourne and the City of St. Kilda as a Site for a Public Park.*”
- “ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of Portion of certain Land situate in the City of Footscray as a Site for Public Purposes and for a Public Park and Gardens.*”
- “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and forty-seven thousand four hundred and thirty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 6th July, 1915.

3. FITZROY NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON TRAMWAY BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill :—

At the end of the Preamble the words “(that is to say)” have been inserted.
In clause 4, line 35, the word “the” has been omitted and the word “this” inserted.
In clause 30, sub-section (2), line 31, the word “the” has been inserted before the word “Trust.”

4. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Meat Commission.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report upon the Agreement made by the Government of Victoria for the Supply of Frozen Meat to His Majesty's Imperial Government.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Law Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Education Act 1890.—Regulation XLII.—Training of Teachers for Technical Schools.—Order in Council.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
6. **SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 3 be postponed until after Nos. 4 and 5.
8. **DEFAULT SUMMONSES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **GEELONG LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 3.
11. **CRIMES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Blackburn moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
12. **INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
14. **UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 to 17 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 21st July instant.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 20TH JULY, 1915.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

3. PETITION.—Mr. Snowball presented a Petition from the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited, under the common seal of the said company, praying that it be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House in relation to the provisions of Part XIV. of the Metropolitan Council Bill now before the House in so far as the same affect and prejudice the interests of the company.

On the motion of Mr. Snowball, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.—Mr. Snowball moved, by leave, That the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House this day on the second reading of the Metropolitan Council Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

5. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Inter-State Conference.—Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Premiers' Conference held at Sydney, May, 1915; together with Appendices.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Fisheries Acts—

Notice of Intention to substitute a Minimum Length of 9½ inches for Blackfish.

Notice of Intention to alter the Close Season for Blackfish.

Notice of Intention to prohibit Mesh Netting in a certain Portion of Port Phillip Bay, near Dromana.

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for 1914; with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1913-14.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Chapter IX.—State Accident Insurance Office.

6. **WILLIAMSTOWN LAND BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Municipal District of Williamstown as a Site for Military Purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **ROYAL SOCIETY LAND BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Trustees of certain Land permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for the use of the Royal Society of Victoria to borrow upon the Security of the said Land and to demise part of the said Land and to permit the temporary use of certain Buildings on the said Land and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE NORTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rushworth to Stanhope North*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.**—Mr. Murray, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Lawson, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. McCutcheon moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST JULY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY.**—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Naudaly to Kulwin; together with Book of Reference and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. **PAPERS.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam Commission.—Progress Report from the Royal Commission on Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam.
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' Acts.—Dental Board of Victoria.—New Regulation.—Provision for Past Students.
Friendly Societies Act 1890 and Trade Unions Act 1890.—Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1914.
Public Service Acts—
Regulations.—Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division.—Chapter III.
Regulations.—Travelling Allowances.—Chapter IX.—Department of Lands and Survey.
4. **ENEMY CONTRACTS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Cancellation of Contracts with the Enemy*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Murray, obtained leave, with Mr. Murray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Hogan addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech by half-past Seven o'clock, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until this day.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday, 4th August next, and No. 2 until Wednesday, 18th August next.

9. **ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
10. **PETITION.**—Mr. Farthing presented a Petition from the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne, under the common seal of the said city, praying that the House will not pass into law the Aldermen Abolition Bill.
On the motion of Mr. Farthing, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
11. **ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.**—Mr. Prendergast moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Prendergast, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 4 be postponed until Wednesday, 11th August next.
13. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Bayles moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 22ND JULY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Livingston presented—
Children in State Schools examined for Merit Certificates and Qualifying Certificates —
Return to an Order of the House, dated 23rd June, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Plain rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The handling, shipping, and marketing of the coming harvest."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Plain moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Murray, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE NORTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
6. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

7. **WILLIAMSTOWN LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—SPECIAL BOARD TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed as labourers in connexion with the construction of sewers.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 27TH JULY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **FOOD—ARTICLES OF, UPON WHICH THE PRICES BOARD HAS FIXED THE PRICE.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The articles of food upon which the Prices Board has fixed the price.
 2. The price fixed in each instance.
 3. The increase in price, if any, upon the price prevailing prior to the outbreak of the war.
 4. The decrease in price, if any, upon the price prevailing prior to the outbreak of the war.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. **ELECTRIFICATION OF THE SUBURBAN LINES—EXPENDITURE IN DAY LABOUR AND UNDER CONTRACTS.**
—Mr. Snowball moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing what has been the expenditure to date in connexion with the electrification of the suburban lines—(a) in day labour; (b) under contracts.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. **PUBLIC SERVANTS AND RAILWAY SERVANTS WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR MILITARY SERVICE.**—
Mr. Snowball moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of officers or men in each Department of the Public Service, including the Railways, who have volunteered for military service receiving—(a) up to £100 a year; (b) from £100 to £150 a year; (c) from £150 to £200 a year; (d) from £200 to £250 a year; (e) over £250 a year.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. **PAPER.**—Mr. Hutchinson presented—
Fodder in the Possession of Persons in Victoria.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th June, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Membrey moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :—

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed as—

- (a) carpenters, joiners, or boxmakers ;
- (b) stackers, sorters, loaders or unloaders of sawn timber ;
- (c) sawmill, timber yard, box factory, or joiner's workshop employees,

but not including persons under the jurisdiction of the Carpenters, Agricultural Implements, or Picture Frame Boards, or persons engaged in shipbuilding or the erection of bridges, wharfs, or similar structures ; and that this resolution be substituted for the resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly on the fourth day of September, 1900, declaring that it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a sawmill, timber yard, box factory, or joiner's workshop (being a process, trade, or business usually carried on in a factory or workroom).

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same including the amendments made in the said Bill by the Legislative Assembly which were suggested by the Legislative Council.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Snowball addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech by half-past Seven o'clock, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until this day.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Construction and Management of certain Tramways in the Municipal Districts of Fitzroy Northcote and Preston and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th July, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the unauthorized Use of the Royal or other Arms and to the Issue of false or misleading Process and other Documents,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th July, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to convey certain Land and to grant an Easement of Carriage-way appurtenant thereto over certain other Land as a Gift for Defence Purposes to the Commonwealth of Australia and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th July, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

6. **CRÉDIT FONCIER SYSTEM LOANS.**—Mr. Bailey moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The number of loans made by the State Savings Bank of Victoria under its Crédit Foncier system for the period of twelve months ending the 30th day of June, 1915.
2. The number of applications for loans under the said system for the same period where the applicants' titles were investigated by the bank's solicitors, showing—
 - (1) the number of applications where the titles were accepted, and the number where they were rejected ;
 - (2) the number of such applications where the titles of the security submitted were—
 - (a) under the *Transfer of Land Act* 1890 ; (b) under the general law ; and
 - (c) leasehold.
3. The number of mortgages prepared by the said bank's solicitors to secure the repayment of loans advanced by the said bank for the same period.
4. The number of applications for loans under the said system refused by the Commissioners of the said bank after the securities had been investigated by the bank's solicitors.
5. The total amount paid by the said bank to its solicitors for legal charges for investigation of titles, certifying to the correctness of same, and the preparation of mortgages to secure loans advanced under the said system for the said period.
6. The number of loans made by the said bank under its city, town, and broad-acre loan department for the same period.
7. The number of applications for loans under the last-named department of the said bank for the said period where the applicants' titles were investigated by the said bank's solicitors, showing—
 - (1) the number of applications where the titles were accepted, and the number where they were rejected ;
 - (2) the number of applications under the last-named system where the titles of the securities were—(a) under the *Transfer of Land Act* 1890 ; (b) under the general law ; and (c) leasehold.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. **SUSPENSION OF THE STANDING ORDERS.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the House to fully discuss the action of the Honorable W. C. Angliss, M.L.C., as disclosed in the Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report upon the agreement made by the Government of this State for the supply of frozen meat to His Majesty's Imperial Government.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **MEAT COMMISSION—FINDINGS AGAINST MESSRS. BORTHWICK AND ANGLISS.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, definite action should be taken by the Government in regard to the findings against Messrs. Borthwick and Angliss by His Honour Mr. Justice Hood, who was appointed to inquire into and report upon the agreement made by the Government of this State for the supply of frozen meat to His Majesty's Imperial Government.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

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

Noes, 24.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Farthing,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Mackinnou,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—

Metropolitan Council Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

THURSDAY, 29TH JULY, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1910.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Mackinnon, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 16.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of The Constitution Act the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the amendments set forth in the following Schedule which he desires to be made in the several Consolidating Bills mentioned in the said Schedule.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

SCHEDULE SETTING FORTH AMENDMENTS.

In the Bill intituled "*An Act for the Interpretation of Legislative Enactments and for Shortening the Language used therein*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
In clause 33, after "in Victoria on the" insert "thirtieth day of September One thousand nine hundred and fifteen."

In clause 34—
after "assent before the" insert "first";
after "day of" (where first occurring) insert "October";
after "on the said" insert "first";
after "day of" (where occurring for the second time) insert "October";
after "between the said" insert "first";
after "day of" (where last occurring) insert "October."

In clause 35—
before "day of" insert "thirtieth";
after "day of" insert "September."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
In clause 7, sub-section (1), omit "if the Court thinks fit."
In clause 23, sub-section (1), omit "of deceased persons' estates."
In clause 30, omit "rule" and insert "order."
In clause 31, sub-section (1), before "person" omit "each" and insert "such."
In clause 31, sub-section (2), after "representation" omit "to" and insert "of"; and after "administration of his" omit "effects" and insert "estate."
In clause 47, omit "proper officer" and insert "Commissioner"; and omit "such officer" and insert "Commissioner."

- In clause 54, after "and other duties" insert "and fees."
 In clause 79, after "Savings Bank" insert "of Victoria."
 In clause 102, omit "a rule" and insert "an order."
 In clause 121, sub-section (2), after "then sitting" insert "then."
 In the Tenth Schedule, Part II., page 59, omit "Four pound" and insert "Four pounds."
 In the Tenth Schedule, Part III., page 61, omit "six shilling" and insert "six shillings."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law for the Collection and Payment of the Public Moneys the Audit of the Public Accounts and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 2, omit "anything" and insert "any thing."
 In clause 4, page 2, after "effectual and" omit "as of" and insert "of as."
 In clause 24, page 6, after "the time and" insert "in."
 In the Tenth Schedule, at the end thereof insert "X.Y.,
 Paymaster."
 In the Thirteenth Schedule, before "Auditor-General" (where occurring for the second time) insert "E.F."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sugar Beet Industry in Victoria*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 2, after "*Beet Sugar Company*" insert "*Limited*."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Butchers and Abattoirs*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 44, omit "conformation" and insert "confirmation."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Companies*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In the Eleventh Schedule, paragraph 9, omit "1914" and insert "1915."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Amendment of the Constitution*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 1—
 after "Illegal practices ss. 324—" omit "337" and insert "335";
 after "Division 19.—Miscellaneous ss." omit "338" and insert "336."
 In clause 49, sub-section (2), after "member" omit "sits or" and insert "sits and";
 and after "he so" omit "sits or" and insert "sits and."
 In clause 147, paragraph (c), omit "are as" and insert "as are."
 In clause 179, sub-section (1), omit "for printing" and insert "or printing."
 In clause 182, sub-section (1), paragraph (b), omit "of the Assembly" and insert "for the Assembly."
 In clause 206, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), omit "of the day" and insert "on the day."
 In clause 320, sub-section (1), omit "wear" and insert "wears."
 Immediately after clause 333 insert clauses 336 and 337 and the heading "Division 19.—Miscellaneous."
 In clause 357, sub-section (2), omit "such election" and insert "any election"; and omit "any election" and insert "such election."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Country Roads*":—
- In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to County Courts*":—
- In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 3, omit "with the advice aforesaid."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 2, after "presentment" insert "rule."
 In clause 370, omit "passing" (wherever occurring) and in place thereof insert "commencement."
 In clause 456, sub-section (2), omit "forty-five" and insert "forty-four."
 In clause 510, sub-section (1), omit "the forty-fifth."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Production and Sale of Milk and Dairy Produce and for other purposes*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 46, sub-section (1), omit "employer" and insert "owner."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Drainage of Land for Agricultural and other purposes*":—
- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 13, omit "any two justices" and insert "a court of petty sessions"; and before "justices" omit "such" and insert "the."
 In clause 18, omit "six" before "months" and insert "three."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Education*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 35, omit "*Factories Act 1915*" (wherever occurring) and insert "*Factories and Shops Act 1915*."

In clause 103, sub-section (2), omit "ten" and insert "fourteen."

In clause 104, sub-section (1), omit "eleven" and insert "sixteen."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the supply of Electricity for Lighting and for other purposes*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 20, sub-section (2), omit "order shall not be granted" and insert "approval shall not be given."

In clause 51, sub-section (2), after "of this Act" insert "(including those made in pursuance of section fourteen or section fifty-two)."

In clause 51, sub-section (3), after "before" insert "both Houses of"; and after "not then sitting" insert "then."

In clause 52, sub-section (1) paragraph (b), at the end thereof insert "(including any regulation made under section fourteen or section fifty-one)."

In clause 52, sub-section (3), omit all the words commencing "and shall be laid" down to the end of the sub-section.

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Employers and Employés*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 9, sub-section (1), after "chairman" insert "and appoint its own."

In the First Schedule—

omit "*Employers and Employés (Part III.) Continuation Act 1893*" and insert "*An Act to extend the operation of Part III. of the Employers and Employés Act 1890*";

omit "*Employers and Employés (Part III.) Continuation Act 1896*" and insert "*An Act to further continue in force Part III. of the Employers and Employés Act 1890*";

omit "*Employers and Employés 1890*" (where first occurring) and insert "*Employers and Employés Act 1890*";

omit "*Employers and Employés 1890*" (where occurring for the second time) and insert "*Employers and Employés Act 1890*."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law of Evidence*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 15, after "person" (where first occurring) insert "so summoned or"; and before "person" (where occurring for the second time) insert "such"; and omit "who happens so to be present."

In clause 18, after "person" (where first occurring) insert "so summoned or"; and before "person" (where occurring for the second time) insert "such"; and omit "who happens so to be present."

In clause 124, after "I swear" insert "by Almighty God."

In clause 130, omit "Board" and insert "Commissioner."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Importation Carriage Storage Manufacture and Sale of Explosives*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October"; and omit "Importing Explosives" and insert "Importation, Ships, &c."

In the heading to Part II., omit "Importing Explosives" and insert "Importation, Ships, &c."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and Shops*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 20, sub-section (2), omit "Part" (wherever occurring) and insert "Act."

In clause 124, sub-section (1), omit "Part" (wherever occurring) and insert "Act."

In clause 224, omit "repealed" and insert "revoked"; and omit "repeal" (wherever occurring) and insert "revocation."

In clause 225, after "full amount" omit "of" and insert "or."

In the First Schedule, omit "*Factories and Shops Act 1914*" and insert "*Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Act 1914*."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dividing and Vermin-proof Fences*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 9, omit the words "in any court of competent jurisdiction" and insert "before a court of petty sessions."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale of Fertilizers*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 43, sub-section (2), omit "the said Acts" and insert "this Act."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Life and Property from Fire and for other purposes*":—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

In clause 2, omit "*Metropolitan Fire Brigades Loan Act 1905*" and insert "*Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board Loan Act 1905*."

In clause 3, in the interpretation of "Country Board" omit "under" and insert "by."
 In clause 41, after "such sinking fund" omit "to" and insert "shall."
 In the First Schedule, omit "*Metropolitan Fire Brigades*" (where first occurring) and insert "*Metropolitan Fire Brigade*."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 14, sub-section (II.), after "registrar of births and deaths" insert "or other person."
 In clause 17, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), omit "the State Savings Bank of Victoria" and insert "any savings bank."
 In clause 17, sub-clause (v.), paragraph (b), omit "from the colony" and insert "from Victoria."
 In clause 17, sub-section (VII.), after "secured to the society" insert "or branch."
 In clause 27, sub-section (II.), after "registrar of births and deaths" insert "or other person."
 In clause 27, sub-section (III.), omit "or such other person."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Cool Stores for Fruit, Fruit and Vegetable Packing and Sale and Fruit Cases*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 39, paragraph (e), omit "at any such meeting."
 In clause 40, sub-section (1), paragraph (c), omit "appointment" and insert "election."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Game*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 35, after "captivity" omit "during the close season"; and after "such game or" insert "during the close season such."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Gaols*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 9, omit "renew" and insert "new."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Geelong Harbor Trust*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 95, sub-section (1), after "appoint" omit "and remove"; and at the end of the sub-section add "and any such person may at any time remove."
 In clause 97, sub-section (7), after "appointed" insert "and removed."
 In clause 102, sub-section (1), omit "made or continued" and insert "made and continued."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage*" :—

In clause 1, after "cited" omit "at" and insert "as"; before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 12, sub-section (2), before "offends" insert "knowingly."
 In clause 43, sub-section (1), after "appoint" omit "and remove"; and at the end of the sub-section add "and any such person may at any time remove."
 In clause 45, sub-section (8), after "appointed" insert "and removed."
 In clause 127, sub-section (8), after "appointed" insert "and removed."
 In clause 133, after "The Trust may" omit "with the approval of the Governor in Council" and insert "subject to the provisions of the next succeeding section."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Gold Buyers and Assayers and for other purposes*" :

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In the heading to clause 17, after "*Revocation*" insert "*and Suspension*."
 In clause 17, sub-section (2), after "revoke" insert "or suspend."
 In clause 17, sub-section (3), after "revoke" insert "or suspend"; and after "revocation" insert "or suspension."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dealings in Goods*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first" and after "day of" insert "October."
 Immediately before clause 58 insert as a sub-heading "Interest and Special Damages."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Health*" :—

In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 48, sub-section (2), omit "hereinbefore" and insert "hereinafter."
 In clause 59, sub-section (4), omit "transmitted" and insert "remitted."
 In clause 69, sub-section (1), paragraph (b), after "income" insert "or."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Infant Life and to other purposes*" :—

In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 12, in the last paragraph thereof omit "Chief Secretary" and insert "Minister."
 In the title, omit "to other purposes" and insert "for other purposes."

- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Insolvency*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 151, page 59, after "the insolvent" insert "estate."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 153, omit "the Registrar-General."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Juries*" :—
 In clause 1—
 before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October";
 before "Books" (where first occurring) omit "Jury" and insert "Jurors";
 before "Lists" (where occurring for the second time) omit "Jurors'" and insert
 "Jury."
 In the heading of Part V., omit "Jury" and insert "Jurors'."
 In the heading of Part VI., omit "Jurors" and insert "Jury."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Justices of the Peace and Courts of General and Petty Sessions*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 139, omit "Part IV." and insert "Parts III. and IV."; and after "Part" insert
 "III."
 In clause 204, after "section forty-one" insert "or by Part IV. of this Act."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale and Occupation of Crown Lands*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 114, sub-section (2), omit "Banks" and insert "Bank."
 In clause 189, omit "Reserve" and insert "Reserves."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Practice of the Legal Profession*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 14, sub-section (5), after "judge and" insert "by."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Licensing of Public Houses and the Sale of Fermented and Spirituous Liquors*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In the Second Schedule, omit "Licensing Act" (wherever occurring) and insert "*Licensing Act 1915.*"
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Local Government*" :—
 In clause 1, after "1915" insert "and shall come into operation on the first day of October
 One thousand nine hundred and fifteen."
 In clause 198, sub-section (3), omit "re training" and insert "restraining."
 In clause 501, sub-section (1), after "authorized by" insert "it or."
 In clause 526, sub-section (3), after "private property" insert "has been or."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Insane*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 72, omit "hospitals for the insane, receiving houses, licensed houses, and hospitals"
 and insert "hospital for the insane, receiving house, licensed house, and hospital."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Collectors of and Dealers in Special Wares Marine Stores and Old Metals*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 21, after "every person who" insert "without having obtained a licence as
 aforesaid"; and after "vehicle" (where occurring for the sixth time) omit "without
 having obtained a licence to act as a collector and to carry on the business of collecting
 special wares" and insert "used in the business of collecting special wares."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Marriage and to Guardianship and Custody of Infants and to Deserted Wives and Children and to Divorce and Matrimonial Causes*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 156, at the end thereof insert "Provided that where a decree for nullity is made
 on the ground of a prior marriage the Court may if it thinks fit make the decree
 absolute in the first instance."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Masters and Apprentices*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 21, after "Factories" insert "and Shops."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the proper supervision of the Slaughtering of Animals and the Sale of Meat and for other purposes*" :—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 4, after "Factories" insert "and Shops."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 59, omit "April" and insert "July."
- In the First Schedule, omit "*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1903*" and insert "*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Payment Act 1903*."
- In the Fourth Schedule, line 2, omit "July" and insert "October"; in the seventh column omit "17,562 10 0" (where occurring for the second time); at the bottom of the said column omit "135,562 10 0" and insert "118,000 0 0"; and at the bottom of the said Schedule omit "£345,214 5s. 10d." and insert "£327,651 15s. 10d."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the Regulation Management and Improvement of the Port of Melbourne and certain portions of the River Yarra Yarra and certain portions of the Maribyrnong River and for other purposes connected therewith*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 31, omit "(as the case may be)."
- In clause 101, omit "secretary" and insert "treasurer."
- In clause 126, after "appoint" omit "and remove"; and after "assigned" insert "and any such person may at any time remove."
- In clause 131, after "appointed" insert "and removed."
- In the Second Schedule, Part I, page 41, at the end of line 17, after "seven" insert "hundred."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Mines*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October"; and before "ss. 284-299" insert "and Special Cases."
- In clause 239, line 1, omit "or appeal."
- In clause 266, omit the words commencing "On any proceeding" down to the end of the clause.
- Immediately after clause 283, in the sub-heading "(c) Appeals," after "Appeals" insert "and Special Cases."
- In clause 295, before "to the Prothonotary" omit "or the warden" and insert "for the district."
- In clause 328, before "the decision" insert "subject to any case stated."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Advances to Companies and Persons to further develop Mining and for other purposes*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 17, sub-section (3), omit "approve" and insert "approves."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Neglected Children*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 19, after "provided" omit "or."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Partnership and the Registration of Firms*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 53, sub-section (1), omit "by whom respectively such signatures or acknowledgments shall be attested" and insert "and otherwise."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Pawnbrokers*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 32, omit the words commencing "or after the respective hours" down to "pledges"; and at the end of the clause insert "Nothing in this section shall limit the effect of section eighty-eight of the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Penalties*" :—

- In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Impounding of Cattle*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 14, before "tendering" insert "paying or."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Provident Societies*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 7, after "certificate" (where first occurring) omit "of" and insert "as to."

In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Public Service of Victoria*" :—

- In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
- In clause 54, omit the words commencing "and after a period" down to the end of the clause.
- In clause 86, before "Notwithstanding" omit "(1)"; and omit "(2) This" and insert "87. The last preceding."
- In clause 87, omit "87" and insert "88."
- In clause 88, omit this clause.

- In clause 106, sub-section (3), omit "twelve" and insert "fifteen."
 In clause 182, sub-section (1), omit "annual."
 In clause 194, omit "Board" and insert "Commissioner."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Railways*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 50, sub-section (1), before "other property" insert "any."
 In clause 152, before "employé" (wherever occurring) insert "officer or."
 In clause 154, after "deducted from his pay" insert "or may reduce him in position or pay or both."
 In clause 174, omit "of" before "Commissioners" and insert "or the."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 38, sub-section (3), omit "registrar" and insert "register."
 In the Second Schedule, column 6, omit "1909" and insert "1911"; omit "1910" and insert "1913"; and omit "0 years" and insert "10 years."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hut Accommodation for Shearers*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 5, sub-section (3), after "duty" omit "and" and insert "or."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Compulsory Dipping of Sheep*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 5, sub-section (2), omit "and the" and insert "(3) The."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the State Savings Bank of Victoria*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 5, sub-section (1), after "State Savings Bank" insert "of Victoria."
 In clause 20, sub-section (3), after "State Savings Bank" insert "of Victoria."
 In clause 75, after "State Savings Bank" insert "of Victoria."
 In clause 110, after "State Savings Bank" insert "of Victoria."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases in Stock*":—
 In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 3, in the interpretation of "fodder" omit "have" and insert "has."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Supreme Court*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 143, before "in manner aforesaid" omit "shall"; and after "in manner aforesaid" insert "to."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Trade Unions*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 10, after the word "death" (where first occurring) insert "resignation"; and omit "to be issued to" and insert "to be issued against."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Tramways*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In the First Schedule, in heading to first column, before "Act" insert "Number of."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the University of Melbourne*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 28, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), omit "their" and insert "there."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 20, omit ("h") and insert ("g").
 In the Schedule omit "*Vegetation Diseases Act 1900*" and insert "*An Act to continue the Vegetable Diseases Act 1896.*"
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Veterinary Surgeons*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 7, omit "twelve" and insert "fifteen."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Conservation and Supply of Water, to declare the Law relating to certain Rights in Natural Waters the property in the beds and banks containing the same, and for other purposes*":—
 In clause 1, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."
 In clause 3, omit "*Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust Act 1915*" and insert "*Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.*"
 In clause 169, sub-section (7), before "vacant" omit "be" and insert "become."
 In the First Schedule, in the heading to the first column omit "No." and insert "Number."
- In the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures*":—
 In clause 1, after "day of" insert "October."
- In the other Consolidating Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly on the seventeenth day of June and by the Legislative Council on the twenty-ninth day of June One thousand nine hundred and fifteen:—
 In clause 1 of each of the said Bills, before "day of" insert "first"; and after "day of" insert "October."

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this House agree to the said amendments.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

4. RUSHWORTH TO STANHOPE NORTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

5. BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Bittern to Red Hill be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Nandalay to Kulwin.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 4.

9. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, sub-clause (1), at the end of the sub-clause add the following words :—

“Such power of attorney may have relation to more than one trust without any specific reference thereto and shall operate within the scope of the powers and authority conferred by this Act notwithstanding that it is not expressly limited to the period of war service and may by the trustee giving the same be limited to any particular power or powers and may contain a power of revocation.”

2. Clause 3, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (1) :—

(1A.) If upon the filing of such power of attorney under the foregoing provision there shall be filed a statutory declaration by the donee of the power that the donor is engaged in war service within the meaning of this Act then every act within the scope of the powers and authority conferred upon the donee which shall thereafter be done performed or submitted to by the attorney shall in favour of any person who shall *bonâ fide* and without express notice that the donor is no longer engaged in war service deal with such attorney be effectual in all respects until such time as there shall be filed in the office of the Registrar-General, either a statutory declaration by some person that the donor is no longer engaged in war service within the meaning of this Act or a notice under the hand of the principal or of some person authorized by him that he has revoked such power of attorney.

Add the following new clauses:—

3. A. The powers conferred by this Act on trustees shall be deemed to have been vested in such trustees as from the fourth day of August One thousand nine hundred and fourteen.
4. B. It shall not be necessary for any of the purposes of this Act to furnish proof that the person giving a power of attorney was alive at the date of the filing of such power of attorney.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1—

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this amendment be agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :—
Omit the words "may have relation" and insert the words "if in general terms and if it does not expressly refer to some particular trust may be construed as relating."

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment 1, as amended, agreed to.

Amendments 2 to 4 inclusive agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 and Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 9 and 10.

11. **ROYAL SOCIETY LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill."

Mr. Lawson moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

12. **REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive, and No. 11 be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 17.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th July, 1915.

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

15. **FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 17, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Murray, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

16. **FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

17. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day, Government Business, were read and discharged :—

Mining Development Bill—Second reading.

War in Europe—Suspension of Contentious Legislation—Encouragement of Recruiting—Message from the Legislative Council—To be considered.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 14 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next and the Order of the Day, General Business, until Wednesday, 18th August next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 18.

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

“ An Act to further amend the ‘ Supreme Court Act 1890.’ ”

“ An Act to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities.”

“ An Act to provide for the Construction and Management of certain Tramways in the Municipal Districts of Fitzroy Northcote and Preston and for other purposes.”

“ An Act relating to the Unauthorized Use of the Royal or other Arms and to the Issue of False or Misleading Process and other Documents.”

“ An Act to authorize the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to convey certain Land and to grant an Easement of Carriage-way appurtenant thereto over certain other Land as a Gift for Defence Purposes to the Commonwealth of Australia and for other purposes.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd August, 1915.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1914-15.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 19.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1914-15, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th July, 1915.

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

4. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz. :—

In clause 4, line 19, the word “ with ” has been omitted.

„ line 20, the word “ with ” has been inserted before the words “ the Treasurer of Victoria.”

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

Foodstuffs and Commodities Act 1914.—Regulation relating to the Form of Return of Quantity of Potatoes in Possession or Control.—Order in Council.

Land Acts—

Alteration of Amendment made on 1st September, 1911, of the Regulations made on 8th January, 1902.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Schedule 57.—Chapter IX.—Part 2, Section 145, Miscellaneous Licences.—Licences which do not Confer the Exclusive Right to Enter on Crown Lands.—Order in Council.

Alteration of Amendment made on 9th July, 1912, of the Regulations made on 8th January, 1902.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Chapter IX.—Miscellaneous Licences.—Section 145, *Land Act* 1901.—Order in Council.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.—Stores and Transport.—Chapter XV.—Miscellaneous.

Supreme Court Act 1900.—Rules of the Supreme Court of Victoria.—Appendix N Continued.—Witnesses' Expenses.

6. ENEMY CONTRACTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

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

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

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending amendments in each of the Consolidating Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 17th day of June and by the Legislative Council on the 29th day of June One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the said Consolidating Bills.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council in the said Bill.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1915.

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

2. CONSOLIDATING BILLS—ERRORS REPORTED BY CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENTS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical errors had been discovered in the Schedule of Amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Consolidating Bills :—

In the amendment in clause 121, sub-section (2), of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons*"—

After the words "then sitting" the words "(where last occurring)" have been omitted.

In the amendment in clause 27, sub-section (III.), of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies*"—

The words "or such other person" have been inserted instead of the words "or other such person."

In the amendment in clause 153 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities*"—

After the words "the Registrar-General" the word "or" has been omitted.

In the amendment in the Schedule to the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines*"—

The words and figures "Vegetable Diseases Act 1896" have been inserted instead of the words and figures "Vegetation Diseases Act 1896."

On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the House agreed that the above errors in the Schedule of Amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor be corrected as follows :—

In the amendment in clause 121, sub-section (2), of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons*"—

By the insertion of the words "(where last occurring)" after the words "then sitting."

In the amendment in clause 27, sub-section (III.), of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies*"—

By the insertion of the words "or other such person" instead of the words "or such other person."

In the amendment in clause 153 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities*"—

By the insertion of the word "or" after the words "the Registrar-General."

In the amendment in the Schedule to the Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines*"—

By the insertion of the words and figures "Vegetation Diseases Act 1896" instead of the words and figures "Vegetable Diseases Act 1896."

Ordered—That the communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing errors.

3. WAR IN EUROPE—ANNIVERSARY OF DECLARATION OF WAR.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That, on this anniversary of the declaration of a righteous war, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria records its inflexible determination to continue to a victorious end the struggle in maintenance of those ideals of liberty and justice which are the common and sacred cause of the Allies.

And the motion having been seconded by Mr. Elmslie, and Mr. Speaker having addressed the House in support of the motion—

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Honorable Members then rose in their places, sang the National Anthem, gave three cheers for the King, our Allies, and the Australian Imperial Forces.

4. **TRUSTS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize Trustees to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia intituled the ‘War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **MENTAL TREATMENT BILL.**—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled: “*A Bill to facilitate the Treatment of Mental Disorder of recent Origin arising from Wounds Shock and other Causes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **SHOW DAY HOLIDAY (TEMPORARY SUSPENSION) BILL.**—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY LAND BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain Lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **COUNTRY ROADS BILL.**—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Country Roads Act 1912’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments, calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Schedule of Amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Consolidating Bills, and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have concurred in the correction of the said errors as follows:—

In the amendment in clause 121, sub-section (2), of the Bill intituled “*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons*”—

By the insertion of the words “(where last occurring)” after the words “then sitting.”

In the amendment in clause 27, sub-section (III.), of the Bill intituled “*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies*”—

By the insertion of the words “or other such person” instead of the words “or such other person.”

In the amendment in clause 153 of the Bill intituled “*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities*”—

By the insertion of the word “or” after the words “the Registrar-General.”

In the amendment to the Schedule to the Bill intituled “*An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines*”—

By the insertion of the words and figures “Vegetation Diseases Act 1896” instead of the words and figures “Vegetable Diseases Act 1895.”

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 4th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow and the Order of the Day, General Business, until Wednesday, 1st September next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—SPECIAL BOARD TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates that may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of knitting or crocheting any article for human wear.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
3. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION.**—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £2,100 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the Closer Settlement Acts, being the addition of £600 to the amount previously fixed by a resolution of the Legislative Assembly on the 26th August, 1914, as the maximum expenditure.
Mr. Hannah moved, as an amendment, That the figures “£2,100” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the figures “£2,099.”
Debate ensued.
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Question—That the sum of £2,100 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the Closer Settlement Acts, being the addition of £600 to the amount previously fixed by a resolution of the Legislative Assembly on the 26th August, 1914, as the maximum expenditure—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. **SUPPLY.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. SUPPLY.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR 1914-15.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £174,789 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1914-15, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Division No.	£	£
2. Legislative Assembly	210	
4. Refreshment Rooms	13	
7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates	159	
8. Chief Secretary's Office—Ordinary Expenditure	1,900	
9. " " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c.	7,000	
10. " " Grants	880	
11. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines	200	
13A. Inspection of Factories and Shops	127	
17. Herbarium	4	
22. Premier's Office	112	
23. Training Ship	500	
25. Audit Office	78	
27. Hospitals for the Insane	162	
28. Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	10,977	
28A. Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools—Exceptional Expenditure	211	
29. Penal Establishments and Gaols	1,140	
30. Police	250	
31. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Salaries	214	
32. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Works and Buildings	700	
33. Public Service Commissioner	40	
33A. State Accident Insurance Office	173	
	<hr/>	24,990

II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,260	
35. " Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation	969	
37. " Endowments and Grants	300	
38. " Exceptional Expenditure	20	
	<hr/>	3,549

III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

43. Prothonotary	35	
45. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	313	
47. Comptroller of Stamps and Collector of Imposts	24	
	<hr/>	372

IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

48. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions, and Children's Courts	200
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V.—TREASURER.

52. Treasury—Ordinary Expenditure	3,440	
53. " Transport, Samples, and Marine Insurance	1,500	
54. " Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	7,800	
55. " Allowances to the Railway Department	27,775	
56. " Grants	16,000	
57. " Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities, &c.	430	
58. " Exceptional Expenditure	3,580	
60. Taxation Office—Income Tax Branch	1,841	
61. " " Land Tax Branch	1,776	
63. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	88	
	<hr/>	64,230

VI.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

67. Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands	2,346	
68. Intelligence and Labour Bureau	1,795	
70. Grants	550	
72. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals	3,500	
74. Exceptional Expenditure	7,068	
	<hr/>	15,259

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Division No.	£	£
75. Public Works	277	
76. Ports and Harbors, Immigration, and Dredging	1,500	
78. Public Works—Works and Buildings	18,257	
79. " " Road Works and Bridges	9,000	
80. " " Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c.	200	
80A. " " Exceptional Expenditure	1,454	
	<hr/>	30,688

VIII.—MINISTER OF MINES.

81. Mines—Salaries	1,306	
82. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,600	
85. " Exceptional Expenditure	1,497	
	<hr/>	5,403

IX.—MINISTER OF FORESTS.

86. State Forests	20,000	
87. Exceptional Expenditure	200	
	<hr/>	20,200

X.—MINISTER OF WATER SUPPLY.

88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	17,000	
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XI.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

89. Department of Agriculture—Administrative	200	
90. Agriculture	1,251	
93. Export Development	324	
	<hr/>	1,775

XII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

94. Public Health	2,100	
95. Endowments and Grants	300	
	<hr/>	2,400

XIII.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

96. Victorian Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1914-15, &c.	280,932	
97. Victorian Railways—Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c.	7,478	
99. " " State Coal Mines	313	
	<hr/>	288,723
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		£474,789

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

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

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

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

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1914-15 the sum of £474,789 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 20.

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

“ An Act to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th August, 1915.

3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mines.—Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines to the Honorable J. Drysdale Brown, M.L.C., Minister of Mines for Victoria; including Statistics, Reports on Geological Survey, Sludge Abatement, Inspection of Mines, Inspection of Boilers, Dredging, Progress of Mining, Coal Miners' Accidents Relief, Boring Operations, &c., for the year 1914.
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 :—
Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under, for the year 1914.
Fisheries Acts.—Notice of Intention to alter the Close Season for Oysters.
Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1913.—Accounts of the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to 31st December, 1914.

4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Plain rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “ The Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement.”
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Plain moved, That the House do now adjourn.
And the Honorable Member not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the thirty minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Plain continued his speech.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Lawson addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow Honorable Members to continue their speeches beyond the fifteen minutes, and also to allow the discussion to proceed beyond the expiration of the two hours, permitted by that Standing Order.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Lawson continued his speech.

Debate on original motion resumed.

Question—put and negatived.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other Waters and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and seventy-four thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fourteen and One thousand nine hundred and fifteen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Water Acts.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts, with reference to the constitution of the proposed Carwarp Waterworks District, together with Plan showing the area.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 21.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to authorize the Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain Lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th August, 1915.

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

4. LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 21, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to authorize the Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain Lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes.

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

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Hannah addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech by half-past Seven o'clock, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until this day.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 8th September next.
8. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Chatham,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Lemmon,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McPherson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.

Noes, 5.

Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. McLeod.

Tellers.
Mr. Bayles,
Mr. Farrer.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. **MIDWIFERY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until to-morrow.
11. **TRUSTS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
- MR. SPEAKER,
- The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Seed Advances Act 1914.'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1915.
- JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MEDICAL ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Murray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Murray, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. SHOW DAY HOLIDAY (TEMPORARY SUSPENSION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Murray, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
6. TRUSTS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 22.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the Operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th August, 1915.

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

9. **LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 22, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Murray, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the Operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts.

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

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

Mr. Murray then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the Operation of the 'Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915' and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 23.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th August, 1915.

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

11. **MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 23, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

Mr. Lawson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. **LINTON TO SKIPTON RAILWAY LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
14. **COUNTRY ROADS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 to 14 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No 41.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 24.*

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

“ An Act to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other Waters and for other purposes.”

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and seventy-four thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fourteen and One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.”

“ An Act to amend the ‘Seed Advances Act 1914.’ ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.
3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION—MEMORANDUM BY THE LANDS PURCHASE AND MANAGEMENT BOARD.—Mr. Lawson moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Memorandum by the Lands Purchase and Management Board to the Honourable the Minister of Lands, in reply to the Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Lawson presented—
Closer Settlement Commission—Memorandum by the Lands Purchase and Management Board.—Return to the foregoing Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
5. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Food—Articles of, upon which the Prices Board has fixed the Price.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 27th July, 1915.
Crédit Foncier System Loans.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 28th July, 1915.
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 :—
Education Acts—
Regulation added.—Regulation XLIII.—Schools of Domestic Arts.—Order in Council.
Regulations rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation 11B.—Qualifying Examination and the Merit Certificate.—Order in Council.
6. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Prendergast rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “ Prices of food.”
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Sir Alexander Peacock addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Mr. Keast moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honourable Member to continue his speech.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Sir Alexander Peacock continued his speech.
Debate continued.
Question—put and negatived.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 25.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Developmental Railways Act 1912*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.

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

9. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 25, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Developmental Railways Act 1912*.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Developmental Railways Act 1912'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 26.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.

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

11. GEELONG HARBOR TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 26, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Geelong Harbor Trust Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 27.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision for Extending the Date of Redemption of Government Securities.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.

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

13. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (REDEMPTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 27, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision for Extending the Date of Redemption of Government Securities.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to make provision for Extending the Date of Redemption of Government Securities*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 28.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.

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

15. VICTORIAN LOANS (RATES OF INTEREST) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 28, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913*.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 29.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the *War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915.

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

17. **SAVINGS BANKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 29, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the *War Loan Act* (No. 1) 1915.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered that Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Mackinnon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the 'War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
18. **EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to facilitate the Execution of Instruments and Powers of Attorney during the Present War*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
19. **JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Juries Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
20. **LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
21. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until to-morrow.
22. **MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
23. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Cancellation of Contracts with the Enemy,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 17th August, 1915. President.
- Ordered—That the said amendment be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
24. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the construction of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Bittern to Red Hill; together with Book of Reference.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Farthing presented a Petition from the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne, under the common seal of the said city, praying that it may be granted leave to appear and be heard before the House by its agent and witnesses in opposition to certain clauses of the Metropolitan Council Bill.
On the motion of Mr. Farthing, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Public Servants and Railway Servants who have volunteered for Military Service.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 27th July, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. CONSTITUTION ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend Section Four of 'The Constitution Act 1906' and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to make provision in regard to the Custody of Property of Alien Enemies during the Present War and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. SAVINGS BANKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

9. **ENEMY CONTRACTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 3, at the end of the clause add :—

“ unless the same shall have been expressly permitted by licence under the hand of the Governor-General or under the hand of a Minister of State for the Commonwealth of Australia.”

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That the amendment be disagreed with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

10. **MEDICAL ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive be postponed until after No. 11.

12. **DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive and Nos. 12 to 19 inclusive be postponed until this day.

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday, 1st September next, and No. 2 until Wednesday next.

15. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. Robertson obtained leave, with Mr. Downward, to bring in a Bill intitled “ *A Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.

16. **ELECTIVE MINISTRIES.**—Mr. A. A. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the time is ripe for the abandonment of the Cabinet system of Government, and the establishment of an elective Executive, individually responsible to Parliament, and with a definite tenure of office.

Debate ensued.

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

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 15th September next.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intitled “ *An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the ‘ War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive and Nos. 12 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Elmslie—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MEDICAL ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Snowball moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (REDEMPTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
Police Offences Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 12 inclusive and Nos. 14 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1915.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 30.

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

“ An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia called the ‘ War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915.’ ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.
3. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—

By Mr. J. Cameron (for Mr. Speaker)—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. TOWN PLANNING—REPORT BY MR. MORRELL.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report to the Honorable the Minister of Public Works by J. C. Morrell, A.R.I.B.A., on Town Planning.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Town Planning—Report by Mr. Morrell.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. Mackinnon presented—

Electrification of the Suburban Lines—Expenditure in Day Labour and under Contracts.—
Return to an Order of the House, dated 27th July, 1915.

Mr. Hutchinson presented—

Fodder exported from Victoria.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 24th June, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION—PROGRESS REPORT OF.—Mr. Lawson moved, by leave, That the Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor,
As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 31.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account.

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Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

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

9. RAILWAYS ROLLING-STOCK REPLACEMENT FUND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 31, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account.

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

Ordered that Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Mackinnon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

10. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the Treatment of Mental Disorder of recent Origin arising from Wounds Shock and other Causes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Cancellation of Contracts with the Enemy*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize Trustees to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia intituled the 'War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915*,'" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Add the following New Clause to follow Clause 2 :—

“A. Notwithstanding anything in any Act or instrument a trustee of a trust created before the establishment of the Commonwealth of Australia may invest any trust funds in his hands in any stock, treasury bonds, or other public securities of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia.”

And the said amendment was read a second time.

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That the amendment be agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—At the end of the new clause add the words and figures “ issued in connexion with any loan raised by the said Government under the authority of the Act of the Parliament of the said Commonwealth known as the *War Loan Act* (No. 1) 1915.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment, as amended, agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
14. **VICTORIAN LOANS (RATES OF INTEREST) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until after No. 8.
16. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
17. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize Trustees to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia intituled the ‘ War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council in the said Bill.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :—

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed as labourers in connexion with the construction of sewers.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Municipal District of Williamstown as a Site for Military Purposes,* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Melbourne to Burwood Tramways Act 1914,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, and Nos. 9 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 45.

 WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Pure Food Act 1905.—Regulations as to Margarine.
3. NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nandaly to Kulwin*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. CLOSER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION—PROGRESS REPORT OF.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement having been read—
Debate ensued.
Mr. Johnstone addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech by half-past Seven o'clock, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until this day.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow, and No. 2 until Wednesday next.
7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION—PROGRESS REPORT OF.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Menzies moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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No. 46.

THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PORT MELBOURNE LINE—PASSENGERS, TONNAGE, REVENUE, AND PROFIT OVER WORKING EXPENSES.—Mr. Sinclair moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of passengers carried on the Port Melbourne line during the past twelve months, and the amount of revenue received from same.
 2. The number of tons of goods (imports and exports) carried during same period, and the amount of revenue received from same.
 3. Whether a profit is shown from carriage of goods and passengers over working expenses.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. McLeod rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The question of the proposed reduction of the country railway train service."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
 Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. M. K. McKenzie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
 Mr. McLeod moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech, and also to allow the discussion to proceed beyond the expiration of the two hours permitted by that Standing Order.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Whereupon Mr. M. K. McKenzie continued his speech.
 Mr. Mackinnon addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
 Mr. Mackey moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Whereupon Mr. Mackinnon continued his speech.
 Debate continued.
 Mr. Elmslie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
 Mr. Mackey moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Whereupon Mr. Elmslie continued his speech.
 Debate further continued.
 Question—put and negatived.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

TUESDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 32.

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

“ *An Act to facilitate the Treatment of Mental Disorder of recent Origin arising from Wounds Shock and other Causes.* ”

“ *An Act to authorize Trustees to invest in Stock and other Securities issued pursuant to the Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia intituled the ‘ War Loan Act (No. 1) 1915. ’* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 28th August, 1915.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part II.—Finance.
- Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Public Works Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
- Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-six minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 48.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Default Summonses*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 24th August, 1915.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain Lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Country Roads Act 1912'*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rushworth to Stanhope North*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

4. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House.

Debate ensued.

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

And, after debate—

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

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

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

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 49.

THURSDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Rogers moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 50.

TUESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MACARTHUR, ORFORD, AND YAMBUK CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting Macarthur, Orford, and Yambuk by means of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway with the existing railway system; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 33.

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

- “An Act to amend the *Friendly Societies Acts*.”
- “An Act to provide for the *Cancellation of Contracts with the Enemy*.”
- “An Act to revoke the *Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Municipal District of Williamstown as a Site for Military Purposes*.”
- “An Act to amend the ‘*Melbourne to Burwood Tramways Act 1914*.’”
- “An Act to authorize the *Board of Land and Works and the Linton to Skipton Railway Construction Trust to sell or dispose of certain Lands acquired by the said Trust and for other purposes*.”
- “An Act to further amend the ‘*Country Roads Act 1912*.’”
- “An Act to amend the *Law relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day*.”
- “An Act for the *Interpretation of Legislative Enactments and for Shortening the Language used therein*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to the Aboriginal Natives of Victoria*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to the Agent-General for Victoria*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Colleges of Agriculture*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Arbitration*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Sales by Auction and Auctioneers*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law for the Collection and Payment of the Public Moneys the Audit of the Public Accounts and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Bakers and Millers*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Banks and the Currency*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Diseases of Bees*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to the Sugar Beet Industry in Victoria*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to the Inspection and Regulation of Boilers*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Building Societies*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Butchers and Abattoirs*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Licensed Carriages*.”
- “An Act to consolidate the *Law relating to Carriers Innkeepers and others*.”

- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Cemeteries and Cremation.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Children’s Courts.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Chinese Residents.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Acquisition and Disposal of Land for the purposes of Closer Settlement and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Regulation of Coal Mines.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Companies.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Amendment of the Constitution.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Conveyancing.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Coroners.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Country Roads.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to County Courts.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection and Recovery of Crown Property and the enforcement of Claims against the Crown.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Production and Sale of Milk and Dairy Produce and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Developmental Railways in Country Districts.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dogs.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Drainage of Land in Drainage Areas.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Drainage of Land for Agricultural and other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Education.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the supply of Electricity for Lighting and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Employers and Employés.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law of Evidence.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Importation Carriage Storage Manufacture and Sale of Explosives.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the Inspection of Live Stock, Meat, Dairy Produce, Fruit and other products intended for Export and regulating the Exportation thereof.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Supervision and Regulation of Factories and Shops.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dividing and Vermin-proof Fences.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale of Fertilizers.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Life and Property from Fire and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Fisheries.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law for the Management and Protection of State Forests.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Friendly Societies.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Cool Stores for Fruit, Fruit and Vegetable Packing and Sale and Fruit Cases.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Game.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Gaols.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Geelong Harbor Trust.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Gold Buyers and Assayers and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Dealings in Goods.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hawkers and Pedlers.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Health.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hospitals and Charities.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the care, control and treatment of Inebriates.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Protection of Infant Life and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Insolvency.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Instruments and Securities.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Relief of Persons whose Relatives liable to support them reside in another State of the Commonwealth and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Juries.”
- “An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Justices of the Peace and Courts of General and Petty Sessions.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale and Occupation of Crown Lands.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Landlord and Tenant.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the mode of procedure in taking and determining the Compensation to be paid for Lands required by the State for Public Works.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Licensing of Surveyors and for other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law providing for a Tax on the Unimproved Value of Land and for the Assessment of Land and other purposes.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Practice of the Legal Profession.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Libraries.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Licensing of Public Houses and the Sale of Fermented and Spirituous Liquors.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the use of Passenger and other Lifts.”
- “An Act to consolidate the Law for the better Protection of Livery-stable Keepers and Agisters of Cattle and for other purposes.”

- "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Local Government."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Insane."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Passengers Harbors and Navigation."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Collectors of and Dealers in Special Wares Marine Stores and Old Metals."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Markets."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Marriage and to Guardianship and Custody of Infants and to Deserted Wives and Children and to Divorce and Matrimonial Causes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Property of Married Women."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Masters and Apprentices."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the proper supervision of the Slaughtering of Animals and the Sale of Meat and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners Dentists and Chemists and to adopt and continue the British Pharmacopœia."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law providing for the Regulation Management and Improvement of the Port of Melbourne and certain portions of the River Yarra Yarra and certain portions of the Maribyrnong River and for other purposes connected therewith."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Mines."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Advances to Companies and Persons to further develop Mining and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Maintenance in Victoria of a Branch of the Royal Mint."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law with respect to persons carrying on Business as Money Lenders."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the use of Motor Cars."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Neglected Children."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Partnership and the Registration of Firms."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Pawnbrokers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Penalties."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Sale and Use of Poisons and Poisonous Substances and Preparations."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Police Offences."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Police Force in Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Impounding of Cattle."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the preventing the Printing and Publishing of Books and Papers by persons not known and to the Printing and Publishing of Newspapers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Provident Societies."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Public Service of Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Public Works."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the acquisition of Lands required for the construction of Lines of Railway."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Railways."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Railways Standing Committee."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the basis of the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Real Property."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Seamen."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Seeds."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the election of Senators for Victoria to the Senate of the Commonwealth."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the regulation of Servants' Registry Offices."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Lands."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Hut Accommodation for Shearers."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Compulsory Dipping of Sheep."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Stamps."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the State Savings Bank of Victoria."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Government Statist and to Statistics."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases in Stock."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law regulating the Sale of Chaff and other Foods for Stock."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Supreme Court."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law enabling Trustees of Temperance Halls to demise certain lands for terms of years and to raise Loans on the Rents of such lands and buildings and for other purposes."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Licensed Theatres."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the eradication of Thistles."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Trade Unions."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Training Ships."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Tramways."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Simplification of the Title to and the Dealing with Estates in Land."
 "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Trusts and Trustees."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the University of Melbourne."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Unlawful Assemblies and Processions Special Constables and Riotously Disturbed Districts."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Diseases of Vegetation and Vines."
 "An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Destruction and Suppression of Rabbits and other Vermin."

- “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Veterinary Surgeons.*”
 “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to the Conservation and Supply of Water to declare the Law relating to certain Rights in Natural Waters the property in the beds and banks containing the same and for other purposes.*”
 “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures.*”
 “ *An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Wills.*”
 “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Compensation to Workers for Injuries occurring in the course of their Employment.*”
 “ *An Act to consolidate the Law relating to Wrongs.*”
 “ *An Act to amend the Mining Development Acts and for other purposes.*”
 “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners.*”
 “ *An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rushworth to Stanhope North.*”

The Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 6th September, 1915.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons.—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1914.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Chief Secretary's Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.

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 :—

Explosives Act 1890.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Chief Secretary on the Working of the Explosives Act during the year 1914.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet ; together with Schedule of Contracts, for year ended 30th June, 1915.

5. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. J. Gray moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision for Extending the Date of Redemption of Government Securities,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to facilitate the Execution of Instruments and Powers of Attorney during the Present War,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act 1906,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st August, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz:—

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates that may be paid to any persons employed in the process, trade, or business of knitting or crocheting any article for human wear.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 51.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented:—
By Mr. Rouget—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

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

Noes, 37.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. A. Gray,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Mackey,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. J. Gray.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 52.

 THURSDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Jewell—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Mackinnon—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (four Petitions).
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. FOOTWEAR REGULATION BILL.—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Footwear and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
 1. Clause 3, line 23, omit "Department of Public Works" and insert "Water Acts."
 2. Clause 40, sub-clause (1), paragraph (a), omit this paragraph.
 3. " " paragraph (b), omit this paragraph.
 4. " " paragraph (c), omit "skilled."
 5. " " lines 26-27, omit "Provided that any workman employed in tunnelling shall be paid not less than Nine shillings per day of eight hours."
 6. " sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause.
 7. " sub-clause (3), omit this sub-clause.
 8. Clause 48, lines 16-20, omit "the Sewerage Authority or contractor before contracting for the purchase of such goods machinery or material shall satisfy the responsible Minister of the Crown administering this Act that goods machinery or material manufactured or produced in the Commonwealth cannot be purchased or can only be purchased" and insert "such goods machinery or material cannot be manufactured produced or purchased in the Commonwealth except."
 9. " line 25, after "person" insert "authorized in writing by the Minister."
 10. Clause 49, omit this clause.
 11. Clause 186, line 22, omit "apply" and insert "defray."
 12. Clause 187, line 28, omit "Sections" and insert "Section."
 13. " line 28, after "fifty-three" insert "sub-section (6) of section eighty-two sections."
 14. " line 31, after "fifty-six" insert "one hundred and seventy-four."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 to 7 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 8 disagreed with.

Amendments 9 to 14 inclusive agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

5. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. **VICTORIAN LOANS (RATES OF INTEREST) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved. That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **PAPER.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam Commission.—Second Progress Report from the Royal Commission on Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
9. **DEFAULT SUMMONSES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. In the title—after the word “Summonses” add the following words:—“and for other purposes.”
 2. Clause 2, page 2, line 38, omit “at any time” and insert “within twenty-one days.”
Add the following New Clauses :—
 3. A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Justices Acts a default summons, personal service whereof has not been effected, may if served in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-three of the *Justices Act* 1890 be heard and an order thereon made under the provisions of Division 2 of Part IV. of the said Act.
 4. B. Section one hundred and fifteen of the *Justices Act* 1890 is hereby amended as follows :—After the word “unpaid” there shall be inserted the words “interest thereon from the date of the order at the rate of Six pounds per centum per annum”; and at the end of the said section there shall be added the following proviso:—“Provided also that any error in any such certificate may be amended by the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof.”
 5. C. Section twenty-three of the *Justices Act* 1890 is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph :—
(1A) Where persons are sued as partners in the name of their firm the summons shall be served either upon any one or more of the partners or at the principal place within the jurisdiction of the business of the partnership upon any person having at the time of service the control or management of the partnership business there.
 6. D. The following provisions shall apply to complaints in cases of summary jurisdiction under the Justices Acts :—
(1) In any complaint in cases of summary jurisdiction under the Justices Acts when there are numerous persons having the same interest one or more of such persons may sue on behalf of or for the benefit of all persons so interested.
(2) Any person carrying on business within the jurisdiction in a name or style other than his own name may be sued in such name or style as if it were a firm name.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1 disagreed with.

Amendment 2 agreed to.

Amendments 3 to 6 inclusive disagreed with.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

10. **REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 2, line 13, after “ may ” insert “ under the direction of the Attorney-General.”

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 7 be postponed until after No. 8.

12. **INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 4, lines 6–7, omit “ or is recommitted to a reformatory prison.”

2. Clause 6, line 33, after “ report ” insert “ personally or by letter.”

3. Clause 13, line 19, after “ prison ” insert “ for habitual criminals.”

„ line 20, after “ prison ” insert “ for habitual criminals.”

Add the following New Clause :—

4. A. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of October One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 to 3 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 4 disagreed with.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. **BOILERS INSPECTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Add the following New Clause :—

A. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of October One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Mr. Mackinnon moved, That the amendment be disagreed with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. **GOVERNMENT SECURITIES (REDEMPTION) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, line 13, omit “ the,” where it occurs the second time, and insert “ any holder or.”

2. „ line 16, after “ said ” insert “ holder or.”

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

15. **EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 2, page 2, line 4, omit “ and ” and insert “ or.”

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 11 to 23 inclusive and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 5.

17. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.

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

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

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

18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 11 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

19. **JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 15 to 23 inclusive and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
21. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

TUESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 34.

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

“ *An Act to amend the Law relating to the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages.*”

“ *An Act to make provision for Extending the Date of Redemption of Government Securities.*”

“ *An Act to facilitate the Execution of Instruments and Powers of Attorney during the Present War.*”

The Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

3. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—

By Mr. Lemmon—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part III.—Municipal Statistics.
 Mr. Lawson presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Lands and Survey Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Acts.—Amendment of Regulations made on 8th January, 1902.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Schedule 6, Chapter IX., Part 2, Section 145, Miscellaneous Licences.—Licences which confer the Exclusive Right to enter on Crown Lands.—Order in Council.

Workers' Compensation Act 1914.—State Accident Insurance Office.—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for period ending 30th June, 1915.

5. BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway from Bittern to Red Hill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That a Chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Honorable Thomas Joseph Ryan, M.L.A., Premier of Queensland.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act 1906,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Trustees of certain Land permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for the use of the Royal Society of Victoria to borrow upon the Security of the said Land and to demise part of the said Land and to permit the temporary use of certain Buildings on the said Land and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

3. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—

By Mr. Cotter—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. PRAHRAN LAND BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke as to Part the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Prahran*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 35.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purpose of enabling compensation to be paid to certain persons affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* under provisions of the Bill relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th September, 1915.

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

6. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 35, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Murray, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and imposts for the purpose of enabling compensation to be paid to certain persons affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* under provisions of the Bill relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts.

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

7. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Murray moved, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to provide for the payment of compensation to licensees and employees at breweries and other places affected by the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* for losses sustained under the operation of that Act.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Rogers moved, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision for the sale of refreshments and non-intoxicating drinks upon licensed premises.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLachlan moved, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to fix the underproof strength of liquor sold on licensed premises.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 55.

 THURSDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY LOSSES THROUGH TRAMWAYS COMPETITION.—Mr. McLeod moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The estimated loss sustained by the Railways through the competition of certain suburban tramways, specifying the various lines.
 2. The estimated probable loss to the Railways by the competition of tramways now in course of construction, or the construction of which has been approved, specifying the various lines.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 36.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of the Bill to make provision in regard to the Custody of Property of Alien Enemies during the Present War and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th September, 1915.

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

4. ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 36, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees for the purposes of the Bill to make provision in regard to the Custody of Property of Alien Enemies during the Present War and for other purposes.

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

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 37.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of duties, taxes, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of a Bill to make temporary Provision with respect to Tramways and Tramway Undertakings the Subject of Leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited, and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915.

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

6. TRAMWAY BOARD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 37, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of duties, taxes, fines, penalties, and forfeitures for the purposes of a Bill to make temporary Provision with respect to Tramways and Tramway Undertakings the Subject of Leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited, and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to make Temporary Provision with respect to Tramways and Tramway Undertakings the Subject of Leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 56.

TUESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Elmslie—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Hogan (for Mr. Solly)—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Hutchinson presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
 - Government Contracts.—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
 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 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1914-15.
 - Education Act 1890—
 - Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation XXIV.—Conveyance of Children to School.—Order in Council.
 - Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation XL.—Transit Allowance to Certain Pupils attending District High Schools, Higher Elementary Schools, or Technical Schools, or Special Educational Centres such as Sloyd and Cookery Centres.—Order in Council.
 - Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1914.
4. SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL—ERRORS REPORTED BY CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENTS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical errors had been discovered in this Bill :—
 - In clause 186 the words "Section fifty-three, sub-section (6) of section eighty-two, sections ninety-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty, one hundred and fifty-one except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-six, one hundred and seventy-four, and one hundred and seventy-eight" have been inserted instead of the words "Section fifty-two, sub-section (6) of section eighty-one, sections ninety-three, one hundred and thirty-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-nine, one hundred and fifty except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-five, one hundred and seventy-three, and one hundred and seventy-seven."

On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the House agreed that the above errors be corrected by the insertion of the words "Section fifty-two, sub-section (6) of section eighty-one, sections ninety-three, one hundred and thirty-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-nine, one hundred and fifty except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-five, one hundred and seventy-three, and one hundred and seventy-seven" in clause 186 instead of the words "Section fifty-three, sub-section (6) of section eighty-two, sections ninety-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty, one hundred and fifty-one except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-six, one hundred and seventy-four, and one hundred and seventy-eight."

Ordered—That the communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing errors.

5. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 57.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Keast, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (State Expenditure).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 38.

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

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907.’* ”

“ *An Act to further amend the ‘ Boilers Inspection Act 1906.’* ”

“ *An Act to authorize the Trustees of certain Land permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for the use of the Royal Society of Victoria to borrow upon the Security of the said Land and to demise part of the said Land and to permit the temporary use of certain Buildings on the said Land and for other purposes.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

4. VOTE OF THANKS TO HIS HONOUR MR. JUSTICE CUSSEN.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House records its high appreciation of the valuable service rendered to it and the people of this State by the Honorable Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria, in consolidating the Statute Law of the State, and also expresses its deep sense of the special knowledge, ability, and untiring devotion which enabled him to so successfully accomplish that great work.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Clerk do enter on the Journals of the House that the foregoing resolution was carried unanimously.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Rouget—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Public Health Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 39.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for Advances on certain Terms to Farmers to enable them to procure Dairy Cattle and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

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

8. DAIRY CATTLE ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 39, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for Advances on certain Terms to Farmers to enable them to procure Dairy Cattle and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. J. Gray do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Hutchinson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Advances on certain Terms to Farmers to enable them to procure Dairy Cattle and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 40.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Railways Act 1915*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

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

10. RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 40, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Railways Act 1915*.

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

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

Mr. Mackinnon then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Railways Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

11. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Mackinnon, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Public Service Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the present Session of Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the said Session and to revise the Language of certain of the first-mentioned Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

13. MARRIAGE (FACILITIES) BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to facilitate Marriages between British Subjects resident in Victoria and British Subjects resident in the United Kingdom*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

14. **BAIRNSDALE TO ORBOST RAILWAY EXTENSION.**—Mr. Mackinnon, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of constructing an extension of the Bairnsdale to Orbost railway across the Snowy River into Orbost Township be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive.
16. **MIDWIFERY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
17. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 14th September, 1915. President.
Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
18. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have concurred in the correction of the said errors by the insertion of the words "Section fifty-two, sub-section (6) of section eighty-one, sections ninety-three, one hundred and thirty-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-nine, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-nine, one hundred and fifty except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-five, one hundred and seventy-three, and one hundred and seventy-seven" in clause 186 instead of the words "Section fifty-three, sub-section (6) of section eighty-two, sections ninety-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-one, one hundred and fifty, one hundred and fifty-one except paragraph (x.) thereof, one hundred and fifty-six, one hundred and seventy-four, and one hundred and seventy-eight."
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915. President.
19. **ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
20. **JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
21. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 5 to 12 inclusive be postponed until after No. 13.
22. **PRAHRAN LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
23. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, Nos. 5 to 12 inclusive, and Nos. 14 to 16 inclusive be postponed until this day.

24. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday, 6th October next.
25. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Snowball, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
26. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day General Business, Nos. 3 and 5 be postponed until Wednesday, 6th October next, and No. 6 until Wednesday next.
27. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—The following Order of the Day, General Business, was read and discharged :—
Poor Prisoners Defence Bill—Second reading.
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
28. **PRAHRAN LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
29. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, Nos. 5 to 12 inclusive, and Nos. 14 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—
Sessional Acts Revision Bill—Second reading.
30. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 58.

THURSDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 41.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1915*.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
3. WHARFAGE RATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 41, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1915*.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Melbourne Harbor Trust Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive be postponed until after No. 6.
5. SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

6. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 1, line 7, omit the figures and words “1890 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts” and insert the figures and words “1915 which Act.”

Clause 3, line 7, omit the word “and.”

„ after line 7, insert the words “one-seventh of any assessment in respect of lost licence-fee, and.”

On the motion of Mr. Hogan, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill :—

Clause 3, after line 10, insert the following proviso :—

“ Provided that where a licensed victualler is deprived of his licence at the end of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen by the Licences Reduction Board and will consequently pay no licence-fees for the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen the above-mentioned rebates shall if not already allowed for by the Board in fixing compensation be paid from the licence-fees paid for the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen.”

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

Clause 3, line 11, after the word “ Provided ” insert the word “ also.”

Clause 4, sub-section (3), page 3, line 4, after the word “ Board ” insert the words “ having regard to all the circumstances.”

„ sub-section (10), paragraph (b), page 5, lines 2-4 of the paragraph, omit the words and figures “ forty-seven of the *Licensing Act* 1906 as amended by the *Licensing Act* 1907 ” and insert the words and figures “ two hundred and seventy-three of the *Licensing Act* 1915.”

Clause 5, line 17, omit the word “ seventy-five ” and insert the words “ three hundred and twenty-four ” ; and omit the figures “ 1890 ” and insert the figures “ 1915.”

Mr. Farthing, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

AA. Notwithstanding anything in the Licensing Acts a licensed victualler may sell or dispose of refreshments and drinks of a non-intoxicating nature upon his licensed premises between the hours of half-past nine o'clock at night and nine o'clock next morning, provided that such non-intoxicating refreshments or drinks are not supplied from the bar used by the licensed victualler for the purpose of selling liquor within the meaning of the Licensing Acts.

Mr. Farthing moved, That new clause AA. be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Farthing, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

BB. Nothing in the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act* 1915 shall be deemed to make it unlawful for a licensed victualler to sell or dispose of refreshments or drinks of a non-intoxicating nature upon his licensed premises between the hours of six o'clock and nine o'clock in the morning or between the hours of half-past nine o'clock and half-past eleven o'clock at night provided that such non-intoxicating refreshments or drinks are not supplied from the bar used by the licensed victualler for the purpose of selling liquor within the meaning of the Licensing Acts.

Mr. Farthing moved, That new clause BB. be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

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

7. MIDWIFERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

8. JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 and Nos. 7 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 59.

TUESDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 42.

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

“ An Act to make provision for Sewerage Districts and the Sewering thereof and for other purposes.”

The Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 24th September, 1915.

3. SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz. :—

In the third column of the Schedule—

- Page 6, first paragraph, after the word “twenty-nine” the word “And” has been omitted.
- „ tenth paragraph, the word “inserted” has been omitted and the word “substituted” inserted.
- Page 10, first paragraph, the word “inserted” has been omitted and the word “substituted” inserted.
- „ fourth paragraph, the words “and figure” have been inserted after the words “and the words.”
- Page 11, third, fourth, and fifth paragraphs, the words “and figures” have been inserted after the words “substituted the words.”
- „ fourteenth paragraph, the words “and figures” have been inserted after the words “the words” in four places.
- Page 12, first paragraph, the words “and figures” have been inserted after the words “the words” in two places.
- „ second paragraph, the words “and figures” have been inserted after the words “substituted the words” (where first occurring); and the word “The” has been omitted.

4. DEATH OF THE HONORABLE EWEN HUGH CAMERON.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House records its deep regret at the death of the Honorable Ewen Hugh Cameron, who was a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria from the 23rd March, 1874, the date of his first election, until he retired from public life on the 4th November, 1914, on the dissolution of the Twenty-third Parliament, a period of forty years, and who, by his sterling ability, courageous adherence to principle, courteous demeanour, and unflinching devotion to duty as Member, Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, and Minister of the Crown, had earned for himself the respect and affection of the Members of this House and the people of Victoria.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. FINES IMPOSED UNDER FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS UPON THE FIRM TRADING AS DANIEL VAUGHAN.—
Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing separately all the fines imposed during the twelve months ended 31st August, 1915, under the Factories and Shops Acts upon the firm trading as Daniel Vaughan, cartage and storage contractor, Flinders street Extension, Melbourne; the nature of the offence; amount of fine; and the locality where the offence was committed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PAPER.—Mr. Murray presented—
Fines imposed under Factories and Shops Acts upon the Firm trading as Daniel Vaughan.—
Return to the foregoing Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
7. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
By Mr. J. W. Billson—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
By Mr. Jewell—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
By Mr. Snowball—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
8. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Mines Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Workers' Compensation Act 1914.—Additional Rules.—Workers' Compensation Schemes, with Forms A to E; Scale of Fees in County Courts; Fees Payable to the Bailiff; Costs of Application for Payment of Moneys into Court and for Investment.
9. BRUNSWICK MECHANICS' INSTITUTE AND FREE LIBRARY BILL.—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Brunswick Mechanics' Institute and Free Library*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Mildura College Lands and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
12. ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
14. MIDWIFERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
15. DAIRY CATTLE ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Chatham moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until after No. 5.

17. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, line 13, after "subject-matter" insert—
"Council' means council of a municipality."
2. ,, page 2, line 1, after "appointed" insert "by a council."
3. ,, ,, ,, after "Act" omit "and includes the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops and the Assistant Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops."
4. ,, page 2, line 3, after "Shops" insert—
"Municipal clerk' means the city clerk of a city or the town clerk of a city town or borough or the secretary of a shire."
"Municipality' and 'Municipal district' include the city of Melbourne and the city of Geelong."
5. ,, page 2, line 15, after "iron" add "and under eight feet in height."
6. Clause 4, omit this clause, and insert in lieu thereof the following clause :—
4. The council of every municipality to which this Act applies shall carry out the provisions of this Act and every such council shall appoint the building surveyor or building inspectors or the engineer of such municipality or some or all of them as an inspector or inspectors to enforce in its municipal district the provisions of this Act under the direction of the council.
7. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), lines 23-4, omit "to the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops."
8. ,, sub-clause (1), line 25, after "begun" add "to the municipal clerk of the municipality in whose municipal district the scaffolding is intended to be erected."
9. ,, sub-clause (2), line 29, omit "Twenty" and insert "Ten."
10. Clause 7, page 3, line 11, after "any" insert "such."
11. ,, sub-clause (3), line 13, omit "the Minister" and insert "the building surveyor of the municipality in whose district the scaffolding is or is to be erected or where such officer is an inspector to such other person as the chairman of the municipality appoints for the purpose."
12. ,, sub-clause (3), line 15, omit "Minister" and insert "municipal clerk."
13. ,, sub-clause (3), line 16, omit "Minister" and insert "building surveyor or person so appointed."
14. ,, sub-clause (3), lines 17-18, omit "or appoint some person to do so and such Minister or person appointed by him" and insert "and."
15. ,, sub-clause (4), lines 26-7, omit "by the Minister or person appointed by him as aforesaid" and insert "under sub-section (3) of this section."
16. ,, sub-clause (4), line 28, omit "Fifty" and insert "Twenty."
17. Clause 9, line 43, omit "Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops" and insert "clerk of the municipality in whose municipal district the accident occurs."

Add the following New Clauses :—

18. B. Notwithstanding any publication thereof no such rescission amendment or addition shall continue to have any force or effect if the same shall be disapproved either wholly or in part by resolution of either House of Parliament within thirty days after such rescission amendment or addition shall have been laid before Parliament if Parliament shall be so long in Session: Provided that if Parliament shall not be in Session for thirty days after such rescission amendment or addition shall have been laid before it, then no such rescission amendment or addition shall continue to have any force or effect if disapproved by either House of Parliament within thirty days after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament.
19. C. (1) The owner of any scaffolding shall for every first inspection thereof pay to the council such fee not being less than Five shillings as having regard to the extent of the scaffolding the council determines, but not exceeding in the case of—

swing stages and boatswains' chairs	...	Five shillings.
one-story buildings	... ..	Ten shillings.
two-story buildings	... ..	One pound.
three-story buildings	... ..	One pound and ten shillings.
four-story buildings	... ..	Two pounds.
five-story buildings	... ..	Two pounds and ten shillings.
six-story buildings	... ..	Three pounds.
seven-story buildings	... ..	Three pounds and ten shillings.
eight-story buildings and over	... ..	Four pounds.
- (2) Such fees shall form part of the municipal fund of the municipality.
20. Schedule.—Omit the Schedule, and insert the following Schedule in lieu thereof :—

SCHEDULE.

MATERIALS.

All materials shall be subject to the approval of the inspector and any material condemned as not being fit for use or not properly put together shall be removed from the work or be refixed as the case may require.

AS TO LADDERS.

Ladders shall be of clean oregon, larch, or other approved timber, with rungs of approved timber or iron.

All ladders shall stand not less than six feet above staging.

All ladders shall be effectively lashed, and shall be stayed where their length exceeds twenty-two feet, but this shall not apply to ladders used or intended to be used only by painters, paperhangers, and decorators.

SWING STAGES FOR PAINTERS, SIGNWRITERS, AND TUCKPOINTERS.

Every scaffold built or erected as a swinging stage shall be so constructed that it shall be capable of bearing six times the maximum weight required.

Swing stages shall be of ladder form not more than fifteen feet in length between slings and of a uniform width of eighteen inches over all. Side timbers shall be four-inch by two-inch oregon, with timber rungs one inch in diameter spaced not more than two feet apart, and ties of wrought iron one quarter of an inch in diameter riveted at the ends. A plank shall be provided between the side timbers resting on rungs not less than twelve inches in width and three-quarters of an inch in thickness. The stage shall be swung on two chairs of wood two feet nine inches long, by six inches wide, and one and one-half inches thick.

Chairs shall be fitted with wire rope not less than three-eighths of an inch in diameter, provided with thimbles for attachment to slings and shall be securely lashed to the stage. Slings shall consist of double and single iron or wood blocks, with sheaves not less than four inches in diameter, reeved with Manila rope two and three-quarters of an inch in circumference. Approved fixing shall be provided on the roof, and ropes shall be protected against chafing. A guy rope one and three-quarters of an inch in diameter shall be provided for each man, when it is necessary to stand on the stage.

Swing stages for ship's painters shall consist of a plank fifteen feet long, twelve inches wide, and two inches thick, and have spurs two feet nine inches long by three inches in width, and one inch thick bolted thereto at each end.

The stage shall be suspended with ropes two inches in circumference, having double and single blocks to suit, and a one and three-quarter inch guy rope shall be provided for each man.

Boatswains' chairs for the use of plumbers shall be three feet six inches long with a seat twelve inches by one and one-half inches. Chairs shall be provided with similar blocks and ropes as provided for stages for painters and signwriters.

TIMBER SCAFFOLDS.

All fixed scaffolding shall be erected with standards of four inches by four inches sawn timber or scaffold poles not less than four and one-half inches in diameter at the butt, or two and one-half inches at the upper end.

Scaffolds for plasterers, painters, and tuckpointers shall have standards spaced not more than nine feet apart.

Scaffolds for masons, bricklayers, and labourers up to six scaffold boards in width shall have standards not more than eight feet apart and not more than seven feet apart where from six to nine scaffold boards in width. Standards shall be embedded nine inches into ground or in barrels filled with sand or shall rest on sole plates nine inches in width and be secured thereto with cleats.

Ledgers shall be sawn timber five inches by three inches or round timbers not less than three inches in diameter at the small end.

Ledgers shall be spaced not more than five feet apart for bricklayers, and six feet apart for other trades. Putlogs shall consist of sawn timber four inches by three inches. If putlogs are not inserted into the wall, each putlog shall have a two-inch by five-sixteenths of an inch wrought iron strap eighteen inches in length bolted to same with two half-inch diameter bolts; each strap shall have a bearing of at least four inches on the wall. Putlogs shall be spaced not more than five feet apart for plasterers, painters, and tuckpointers, nor more than four feet apart for masons, bricklayers, and labourers.

Scaffold boards shall be nine inches wide by one and one-half inches thick. Scaffolds for masons, bricklayers, and labourers shall be not less than five boards in width.

Bracing shall be of similar scantling to that prescribed for standards, and shall be suitably placed and secured to standards and ledgers. Guard boards shall be provided on each stage and shall consist of a scaffold board on edge well secured to standards.

Guard rails shall be not less than three inches by three inches or other scantlings of even length, and shall be fixed three feet above the level of the scaffold boards on each stage.

All scaffolding shall be properly lashed together with hemp rope not less than one and three-quarter inches in circumference, and seventeen feet in length, or by bolts not less than five-eighths of an inch in diameter.

All lashings shall be kept properly wedged.

Approved scifixes may be used in lieu of rope lashings.

Where a building of more than two stories is being erected and men are working underneath, planking as a temporary covering shall be closely laid on the joint girders immediately after they are put in place, except those portions used for ladder ways and hoist ways. All well holes shall have a temporary railing or barricading.

Painters' scaffolds not exceeding ten feet in height may be constructed of steps and planks; if over ten feet in height, but not exceeding sixteen feet, they may be constructed of trestles and planks to the satisfaction of an inspector.

Scaffolds for dockworkers and ship's painters shall consist of trestles and planks. Trestles over sixteen feet in height shall have two planks nine inches in width laid side by side in timber scaffolds.

SPECIAL SCAFFOLDS.

Special scaffolds cantilevered out from upper stories of buildings shall be subject in all cases to the approval of the inspector.

BRACKETS.

Wood brackets, strapped with iron at angles, or iron brackets, approved by the inspector, may be used for painters, plasterers, tuckpointers, carpenters, and plumbers.

The manner in which brackets are to be fixed in position shall be such as the inspector approves. No brackets depending on a wall solely for support shall be fixed to green brickwork or hollow walls.

PENALTY.

Any person failing to comply with or committing a breach of any of these regulations shall be liable to a penalty for each offence not exceeding Ten pounds.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 to 9 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 10 agreed to.

Amendments 11 to 19 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 20 agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :— Under the heading—"TIMBER SCAFFOLDS," in line 2 of the first paragraph, omit the word "two" and insert the word "three."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 4 and Nos. 6 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Seven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 60.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to adapt certain references in Acts passed during the present Session of Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the said Session and to revise the Language of certain of the first-mentioned Acts and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nandaly to Kulwin,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

Education Act 1890.—Regulations rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.—Order in Council.

Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1914.—Regulation.—Contents of the Annual Report of the Queen's Memorial Infectious Diseases Hospital Board.—Order in Council.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year ending 30th June, 1915.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 43.

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

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Victorian Loans (Rates of Interest) Act 1913.’* ”

“ *An Act to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the present Session of Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the said Session and to revise the Language of certain of the first-mentioned Acts and for other purposes.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 1st October, 1915.

3. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
By Mr. Elmslie—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
By Mr. McPherson—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1914.
5. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—Mr. McLeod moved, pursuant to notice, That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House.
Debate ensued.
Mr. A. A. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
Debate continued.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Developmental Railways Act 1912,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Crimes Act 1891,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 29th September, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council, and insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly in this Bill.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 5th October, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 62.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented:—
By Mr. Downward—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Menzies moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—
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VICTORIA.
ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1915-16.
A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.
The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the month of October in the year 1915-16, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 6th October, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimate, to be referred to the Committee of Supply.
Message No. 44.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 63.

THURSDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Rouget—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (nineteen Petitions).
 - By Mr. Snowball—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Leckie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. SUPPLY.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £667,320 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz. :—

Division No.

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	831
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	72
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	125
5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	72
6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	105
7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	392
8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	943
9. " " " Pensions, &c.	5,000
10. " " " Grants	1,500
11. Board for the Protection of Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	385
12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	338
13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	192
14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	246

Division No.		£
15.	Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	114
16.	The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure	38
17.	Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
18.	Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	268
19.	Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	348
20.	Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	59
21.	Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	254
22.	Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	474
23.	Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	723
25.	Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,104
26.	Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,046
27.	Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	18,703
28.	Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	12,662
29.	Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,790
30.	Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	29,833
31.	Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,046
32.	Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	258
34.	Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	83,383
35.	" Pensions, &c.	67
36.	" Works and Buildings	916
37.	" Endowments and Grants	11,919
39.	Supreme Court—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	306
40.	Law Officers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	649
41.	" " Pensions, &c.	18
42.	Crown Solicitor—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	445
43.	Prothonotary—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	78
44.	Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	257
45.	Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,989
46.	Sheriff—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	855
47.	Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	426
48.	County Courts, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,854
49.	Police Magistrates, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,260
50.	Clerks of Courts—Salaries	2,300
51.	Coroners—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	303
52.	Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,312
54.	" Unforeseen Expenditure	300
55.	" Allowances to Railway Department	10,417
57.	" Pensions, &c.	32
58.	" Exceptional Expenditure	18,500
60.	Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,231
61.	Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,812
62.	Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	89
63.	Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	300
64.	Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,340
66.	" " Advertising	200
67.	Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,669
68.	Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	461
69.	Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	33
70.	" " Grants	500
71.	Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	770
72.	Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,031
73.	Works and Buildings	100
74.	Exceptional Expenditure	100
75.	Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,179
76.	Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,920
77.	" " Exceptional Expenditure	250
78.	Public Works—Works and Buildings	8,625
79.	" " Road Works and Bridges	1,000
82.	Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,316
83.	" Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,358
85.	" Exceptional Expenditure	437
86.	State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,356
88.	State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	9,918
89.	Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	606
90.	Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,090
92.	Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,066
93.	Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,287
94.	Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,395
96.	Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	350,000
97.	" Pensions	2,067
98.	" Railway Construction Branch	530
99.	State Coal Mine	20,584
	Total	667,320

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

6. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1915–16 the sum of £667,320 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.
 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
 Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Murray do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
8. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and sixty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired, therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 26 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
 Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next, and that it take precedence of all other business :—
Want of Confidence in the Government.—Resumption of debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 64.

TUESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Blackburn—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Snowball—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Land Acts.—Alteration of Regulations.—Part II.—Crown Lands other than Mallee Lands.—Chapter V.—Agricultural and Grazing Allotments ; Part III.—Mallee Lands.—Chapter III.—Agricultural Allotments.—Order in Council.
4. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—
 - Debate resumed.
 - Mr. Bowser moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 - And, after debate—
 - Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
 - Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 65.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented:—

By Mr. Menzies—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Government does not possess the confidence of this House—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Omau,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Robertson.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Mackey,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Keast.

Noes, 39.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McLachlan,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cotter,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Lemmon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Rogers.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 66.

THURSDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1915.

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

1915.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1915-16.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 45.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1915-16, in lieu of the Estimate of Expenditure for the first four months of the year 1915-16, transmitted on the 30th June, 1915, and the 6th October, 1915, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 6th October, 1915.

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

3. BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Mackinnon obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bittern to Red Hill*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. MEAT COMMISSION.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £133 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the agreement made by the Victorian Government for the supply of frozen meat to His Majesty's Imperial Government, and the export of frozen meat in connexion therewith, being the addition of £33 to the amount previously fixed by a resolution of the Legislative Assembly on the 30th June, 1915, as the maximum expenditure.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

7. **NANDALY TO KULWIN RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 3, sub-clause (2), line 14, omit "Railway Lands Acquisition Acts" and insert "*Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915.*"
2. Clause 7, page 3, line 4, omit "fourteen" and insert "forty-six."
3. " " line 5, omit "1891" and insert "1915."
4. Clause 14, line 11, omit "Audit Acts" and insert "*Audit Act 1915.*"

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 to 26 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

9. **FINES UNDER DAIRY, PURE FOOD, FACTORIES, AND WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.**—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return up to the 30th September, 1915, in continuation of the return furnished in 1914, showing separately all fines imposed under (a) The Milk and Dairy Supervision Act; (b) The Pure Food Act; (c) The Factories and Shops Acts; (d) The Weights and Measures Acts, specifying—

Name of Person or Firm fined.	Nature of Offence.	Amount of Fine.	Locality where Offence committed.

Together with totals and with summary of offences, fines, &c., under each Act, as furnished on page 2 of the return presented to this House on the 29th September, 1914.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 67.

TUESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. BAIRNSDALE TO ORBOST RAILWAY EXTENSION.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of constructing an extension of the Bairnsdale to Orbost Railway across the Snowy River into Orbost Township; together with Book of Reference and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same were read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 46.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and sixty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1915.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 47.

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

“ An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nandaly to Kulwin.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th October, 1915.

4. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Rouget—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (four Petitions).
 - By Mr. Snowball—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Touthcher—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

5. **VOTE OF THANKS TO HIS HONOUR MR. JUSTICE CUSSEN.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen be requested to attend this House at half-past Four o'clock on Tuesday next, the 26th day of October instant, in order that Mr. Speaker may then convey to His Honour the Vote of Thanks agreed to by this House on the 22nd day of September last.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. **PAPERS.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam Commission.—Report from the Royal Commission on Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Marine Acts.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Regulations for the Licensing of Sailing and Motor Boats and of Persons in Charge thereof, and for the Equipment thereof when plying for Hire or let out for Hire for the Carriage of Passengers.

7. **DAIRY CATTLE ADVANCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.

9. **ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

11. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, lines 7-8, omit the words and figures beginning "the *Geelong Municipal*" and ending "Act 1911 and."
2. " line 9, omit "1914 all of which Acts" and insert "1915 which Act."
3. Clause 2, sub-clause (1), line 11, omit "sixty-seven" and insert "one hundred and twenty-three."
4. " " line 12, omit "1909" and insert "1915."
5. " " (2), line 16, omit "sub-section (2) of section seventy" and insert "section one hundred and twenty-six."
6. Clause 3, sub-clause (1), line 8, after "to" insert "Part III. of."
7. " " line 8, omit "1909" and insert "1915."
8. " " line 10, omit "II." and insert "III."
9. " " line 11, omit "1909" and insert "1915."
10. " " paragraph (a), line 15, omit "forty-one" and insert "ninety-six."
11. " " paragraph (b), line 16, omit "that Act" and insert "the said Part III."
12. " " (2), paragraph (b), line 24, omit "that Act" and insert "the said Part."

13. Title—

In the Title, omit "Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts" and insert "*Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.*"

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

12. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, lines 5-6, omit "1912 *Amendment Act.*"
2. " line 6, after "1915" insert "(No. 2)."
3. " lines 7-8, omit "1912 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts" and insert "1915 which Act."
4. Clause 2, sub-clause (1), line 10, omit "sub-section (1) of section six" and insert "section seven."
5. " line 11, omit "1912" and insert "1915."
6. " lines 11-12, omit "sub-section" and insert "section."
7. " line 13, omit "(1)" and insert "7."
8. " line 14, omit "this Act" and insert "the *Developmental Railways Act 1912.*"
9. " line 16, omit "a" and insert "the."
10. " line 16, omit "to be."
11. " line 17, omit "to be."
12. " sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause and substitute in lieu thereof the following sub-clause :—

“(2) Section seven of the *Developmental Railways Act 1915* as re-enacted by this Act shall be read and construed as if it had come into operation on the twenty-fifth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twelve.”

13. Title—

In the Title, omit "1912" and insert "1915."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 12 to 26 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 68.

 WEDNESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CALLIGNEE, GORMANDALE, LONGFORD, STRADBROKE, AND WOODSIDE CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the districts of Callignee, Gormanale, Longford, Stradbroke, and Woodside with the existing railway system by means of a railway or railways; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. ENEMY PROPERTY BILL—(CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz. :—
In clause 10, sub-section (2), paragraph (a), the word "on" has been inserted before the word "behalf."
" sub-section (3), the word "ten" has been omitted and the word "twelve" inserted.
4. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented:—
By Mr. Chatham—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
By Mr. Webber—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1890.—Regulations rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation III.—Inspection of Primary Schools.—Order in Council.
6. BORDER RAILWAYS COMMISSION.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £300 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the question of the expediency of the construction of certain New South Wales and Victorian border railways.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. LAND BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. J. Gray, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Land Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive.

10. JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments, and with an amended title, which title is as follows:—

“A Bill to amend the ‘Juries Act 1915’ and for other purposes.”

And the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

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

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

Clause 1, line 5, after the word “*Juries*” omit the words “*Acts Amendment*”; after the figures “1915” insert the word and figure “(No. 2).”

„ line 6, omit the figures “1890” and insert the figures “1915.”

„ lines 7–8, omit the words “and any Act amending the same all of which Acts” and insert the words “which Act.”

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

11. FOOTWEAR REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Murray moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

12. CRIMES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 1, line 5, omit “1891 *Amendment Act*.”

2. „ line 6, after “1915” insert “(No. 2).”

3. „ lines 6–7, omit “1890 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts” and insert “1915 which Act.”

4. Clause 2, line 9, omit “thirty-four” and insert “four hundred and thirty-two.”

5. „ line 9, omit “1891” and insert “1915.”

6. „ line 11, omit “34” and insert “432.”

7. „ page 2, line 4, after “prosecution” add “or by the judge or justice.”

8. „ page 2, line 10, after “charged” add “Provided that in any case where the husband and wife are jointly charged either of the accused may without the consent of the other be called as a witness on his or her own application; and provided further that the wife or husband of a person charged with bigamy may be called as a witness either for the prosecution or defence and without the consent of the person charged.”

9. „ page 2, line 31, after “prosecution” insert “Provided that the permission of the judge (to be applied for in the absence of the jury) must first be obtained.”

10. „ page 2, lines 39–42, omit “section forty-three of the *Justices Act* 1890 as amended by any Act or of section six or section nine of the *Justices Act* 1904” and insert “section forty-five, paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section forty-six, section forty-eight or section forty-nine of the *Justices Act* 1915.”

Title—

11. In the Title, omit “further.”

12. „ „ omit “1891” and insert “1915.”

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 to 6 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 7 disagreed with.

Amendment 8 agreed to.

Amendment 9 disagreed with.

Amendments 10 to 12 inclusive agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 6 to 22 inclusive be postponed until this day.

14. **ELECTIVE MINISTRIES.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That, in the opinion of this House, the time is ripe for the abandonment of the Cabinet system of government, and the establishment of an elective Executive, individually responsible to Parliament, and with a definite tenure of office—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 8.

Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McGregor.
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	
Mr. Farthing,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Angus,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Toutcher.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Elmslie,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Mackey,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 3rd November next.
16. **BITTERN TO RED HILL RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Mackinnon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, No. 6, and Nos. 8 to 22 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
18. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 69.

THURSDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. H. McKenzie rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The restriction of the export of meat from the State of Victoria."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Mr. Hutchinson addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Mr. Murray moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Hutchinson continued his speech.
Debate continued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. MIDWIFERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Livingston, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill:—
Clause 10, sub-section (1), line 2, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person."
" sub-section (1), line 2, after the word "unless" insert the words "he or."
" sub-section (2), line 4, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person."
Mr. McLachlan moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill:—
Clause 14, paragraph (b), lines 32-33, omit the words "two years" with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "twelve months."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Mackey,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. McLeod,	

Noes, 5.

Mr. Clough,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. McLachlan.	Mr. Jewell.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 70.

TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. VOTE OF THANKS TO HIS HONOUR MR. JUSTICE CUSSEN.—The Order of the Day for the Honorable Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria, to attend the House having been read—

The Serjeant-at-Arms announced that His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen was now in attendance.

And Mr. Speaker having directed that His Honour be admitted, and a chair having been set for His Honour on the left hand of the Bar, towards the middle of the House, he entered the Chamber, the whole House rising upon his entrance within the Bar; and Mr. Speaker having requested His Honour to be seated, he sat down; the Serjeant-at-Arms standing on his right hand with the mace grounded.

And Honorable Members having resumed their seats, Mr. Speaker said—

MR. JUSTICE CUSSEN :

YOUR HONOUR,

The Honorable the Legislative Assembly has commanded me to invite you to the Bar of its House in order that I may for it, and in its presence, declare to you a Resolution which, in recognition and thanksgiving for your distinguished services to the State, and to it, it has arrived at.

The Legislative Assembly, charged with the highest functions of the State and its grave deliberations in respect of them, rarely, and never upon slight occasion, feels itself called on to enter upon a recognition of individual merit to the extent of according in its corporate capacity its gratitude, and through it, the gratitude of all the people, for services rendered.

Its practice is to reserve this very special distinction for great and pre-eminent occasions only. In your Honour's invaluable consolidation of the Statute Law of Victoria which you have just completed and the long-sustained self-sacrificing labours which have enabled you to accomplish it, the Legislative Assembly has found no difficulty in seeing such an occasion, and in realizing as clearly as it has ever had reason to do the duty of assuring your Honour unreservedly of the thanks which the country, and itself, owe, and now express to you.

Your Honour's long service to the public in the practice of your profession rendered you renowned on every hand throughout Australia for profound and universal learning in the Law; for all the attributes of honour and fidelity; and for those personal graces of conduct and demeanour which ornament and soften men's dealings with their fellows.

Promoted to the judicial Bench, its dignity and impressive guardianship of civil rights and justice have been in your hands all that is hoped of them.

Your qualities of mind and temper, together with your far-reaching knowledge of the Law and your logical appreciation of its spirit, have made your administration of justice as admirable as it has been illustrious.

Great and unremitting application has been inseparable from all this, and yet your Honour, in your so supposed hours of ease, has not only found, but has sought for, the task of aiding Parliament and serving the country by drawing together the great and varied, and (from the ever-present necessity of swiftly dealing with emergencies which confront Parliament) sometimes conflicting mass of Statute Law, and presenting it in a form connected and corrected to its true intent, plain and intelligible to the people.

To this vast effort your Honour out of the store of your long-accumulated knowledge and research has added illuminating reference to all the judicial interpretation of the various Statutes which the Courts have applied.

Not many, indeed very few, could have accomplished your great work, laborious with incessant pains as it has surely been; exacting a punctilious precision endless and extreme; and withal, oppressing with a sense of the responsibility which you owed to Parliament as well as to the effectiveness of your undertaking, so that it might be what you have made it, and yet be, faithfully and unchanged, the Law as Parliament designed it.

Thanks were never better earned, and this Honorable House earnestly desires that your Honour should receive them from it in full measure.

Having thus, all too poorly, expressed the feeling of this Honorable House, may I venture to add to a great and distinguished recognition of your Honour's achievement that which has no claim or importance but that it comes from the fullness of feeling of a friend, my personal congratulations on this bright and notable incident in your eminent career, and the hope, which I am well assured is entertained by every Member of the Legislative Assembly, that your Honour may be spared many years in happiness and content to add lustre and good service to our State?

The Clerk of the House then read the following extract from the Journals of the House of the 22nd September last:—

“Vote of Thanks to His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House records its high appreciation of the valuable service rendered to it and the people of this State by the Honorable Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria, in consolidating the Statute Law of the State, and also expresses its deep sense of the special knowledge, ability, and untiring devotion which enabled him to so successfully accomplish that great work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.”

Mr. Speaker said—

Mr. Justice Cussen, in the name and on behalf of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, I have the honour to present you with this Address of Thanks.

The Extract from the Journals as read by the Clerk was then handed by him to His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen.

Whereupon His Honour, who during the foregoing Speech had sat, stood up and spoke as follows:—

MR. SPEAKER,

My most sincere thanks are due to this Honorable House for the resolution which you, sir, have just presented to me, and to you personally for the gracious remarks which you have made concerning myself and the good wishes which you have conveyed to me both on behalf of the House, and personally. Mr. Speaker and Honorable Members, this is not the first compliment that you have paid me. Great as this compliment is, I consider that it is no greater than the effect of what you did some few months ago when you passed without question and without alteration the Consolidating Acts which I and those associated with me had the honour to submit to you. I feel, gentlemen, that we have taken great pains; that we have spent much time; and that we have spared no labour or trouble in order to justify the confidence which the House reposed in us, and to make these Consolidating Acts a success. Going further than was the case in previous consolidations, I must remember that, on this occasion, we tried to cure a number of minor errors, to fill gaps, to get rid of anomalies, and to throw overboard altogether obsolete matter, so that even greater confidence in us was required than would have been the case if we had merely put together the various sections as they were. Now, Mr. Speaker, it would be idle for me to say that I have not given great time and thought and anxiety to this consolidation, but I must multiply, if I can, your thanks, and distribute my own by reference to those who were associated with me in the work. I have to remember, in the first place, that this work was only made possible by the goodwill and consideration of my colleagues. The Chief Justice and Sir Thomas a Beckett, the Acting Chief Justice, did all they could to enable me to devote to the work time that otherwise I should not have had for it. Mr. Justice Hodges and Mr. Justice Hood relieved me of judicial duties when they could, to enable me to devote myself more closely to this work, because it is work in which close application is necessary. Mr. Justice Hood, in addition, I have to thank for very many valuable suggestions in connexion with the perusal of various Bills. To the County Court Judges in several instances I am indebted for valuable suggestions, and also to the officers of the Court. My thanks are also due to the Master-in-Equity, who is also Commissioner of Taxes, and is responsible for the drafting of many of the clauses in the Acts under his supervision; to the prothonotary, the former sheriff, and the taxing master, and to their officers, who also rendered me assistance; also the officers connected with the County Court and the Insolvency Court. I must trespass on your patience while I mention others who also gave me assistance. I am aware that it will necessitate reference to a great number of names, because the work was such as to require the assistance of the heads of Departments and officers who are closely associated with the working of certain Acts. If you knew how many hours they spent with me, I think you would pardon me for referring to their names in connexion with the great work now completed, and for which they are so largely responsible. I have to thank the officers of this House and of the other House, and the Chief Electoral Officer for great assistance given to me in connexion with one of the most difficult Acts—The Constitution Act Amendment Act. In connexion with that Bill and also several others, I have to thank the

Parliamentary Draftsman and the Assistant Parliamentary Draftsman for suggestions and assistance. Then, in addition, there was a number of members of the Bar who were engaged in helping me. Mr. Woinarski, K.C., did an immense amount of work at the beginning, and Mr. Pigott, who was my right-hand man all through, did work that was most valuable. In addition to these, I had associated with me Colonel Wanliss, Mr. Paul, Mr. Winneke (now Judge Winneke), Mr. Meagher, Mr. Vasey, and Mr. Pirani, in connexion with the Justices Act, the Health Act, the Licensing Act, and the Friendly Societies Act, and the footnotes to the Acts. I had also a number of the junior members of the Bar associated with me, and one of them is now a Member of this House. They assisted me nominally as readers, but in reality in a very much higher capacity. They gave me loyal, devoted, and enthusiastic assistance, and they did far more, because they brought me most valuable suggestions which were discussed, and which finally it was determined to insert or not, according to the ultimate decision arrived at. In addition to these, I have had a great many voluntary helpers, some of them connected with the departments. I must ask your patience while I mention some of these. Though I am aware that there are many officers, some of whom I have never seen, who have done valuable work, I shall now only refer to those who chiefly assisted me and gave a great deal of time. I have to thank the officers of the Department of Agriculture, of the Chief Secretary's Department, of the Education Department, and the City Coroner. I am indebted to the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops and his officers, and I think I may take the Factories and Shops Act as an illustration by which you will see that the work in that case, at all events, has had the effect of reducing the bulk and the complexity of the Statute. Then I have to thank the Fire Brigades Board, the officers of the Fisheries and Game Department, the Government Statist and assistants, the Lands Department and officers, and in this connexion I have specially to thank the late secretary (Mr. Macgibbon) and Mr. A. G. Brown, who, in fact, brought me the first drafts of the Land Act and the Closer Settlement Act as they appear in these volumes. A great deal was done afterwards, but, at the same time, they are responsible for a great part of a very complicated work, and for putting the Land Act into a shape to make it applicable to present-day conditions. Then I have to thank the secretary of the Marine Board, the secretary and the president of the Medical, the Dental, and the Chemists Boards, the secretary and the chairman of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works and the Chief Commissioner and the officers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust. I must specially mention the assistance given by Mr. Hodgkinson, of the Lands Department, in connexion with the complicated schedules in that Act. Then my thanks are due to the secretaries of the Departments of Mines and Forests and the Department of Neglected Children, to the present and past Chief Commissioner of Police, and to the Public Service Commissioner and to his officers. The Mines Act and the Public Service Act were of such a nature that it was necessary to have very special assistance from those connected with the Departments, as also was the case with the Education Act. Then I must mention the Department of Public Works, in which Department the very large Local Government Act is administered, in which the secretary, Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. McCallum gave very valuable assistance. Mr. Commissioner McClelland, of the Railway Department, gave up a good deal of his time, and was always ready to help. Then I am indebted to the Commissioner of Titles and the Registrar-General, the Comptroller of Stamps, the Inspector-General of the State Savings Bank, the officers of the Treasury Department and of the Veterinary Board, and to Mr. Cattnach, of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. Mr. Dwyer, the police magistrate, assisted us very much in connexion with the Justices Act and the Police Offences Act; Mr. Hosken with the Crimes Act; Mr. Meaden in connexion with the Local Government Act; and Mr. Braham in connexion with the Supreme Court Act and the Insolvency Act. Mr. Pirani made very valuable suggestions, and I have also to thank Mr. Wilson, of Geelong, for very special help with the Geelong Acts. I am afraid that I have not yet finished the list, which is almost as long as the schedule to the Acts Interpretation Act. I received many letters from police magistrates, clerks of courts, and solicitors containing very many valuable suggestions, and pointing out many mistakes that might otherwise have been overlooked. In addition to the literary work and the legal work, we have to remember that the department of the Government Printer is very much concerned in bringing such a work to a successful issue. Though I am afraid I broke all the rules of printing by the various writings I sent to the printers, still they always seemed to decipher them, and they have produced five handsome little volumes printed on good paper, and which very much reduce the bulk compared with those we formerly had to consult. Coming nearer my own home, when a person "scorns delights and lives laborious days," those who are associated with him closely will have to exercise patience and consideration, and that has been done in this case.

I am aware that in a work of this magnitude some mistakes and blunders will be discovered. I am firmly convinced, so close has been our application to the work, that the mistakes will not be very many. I am even more firmly convinced that we have made changes that, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, will be found to be beneficial, and will not have to be altered. If it happens that there are cases where we have not fully appreciated all the circumstances that may affect the clauses in the changes that are made, I think Parliament will be easily able to cure them.

Mr. Speaker, standing here before this House, and remembering the occasion, it would ill become me if I forgot to think of the great man who preceded myself in work of this kind. The late Chief Justice Higinbotham on two occasions, in 1865 and in 1890—that is, about a quarter of a century afterwards—consolidated the Statutes. It is really now fifty years since the first occasion. He asked the House on the last occasion when he was here, and shortly before his death, to extend to future consolidators even a larger measure of confidence than they had honoured him with. This House, on this occasion, has extended that measure of confidence. The work now done would have been impossible if it had not been for the pioneer work done by the late Chief Justice Higinbotham and those who were associated with him. I therefore think that it is only right that we should remember that on this occasion. I am following the illustrious precedent set by him when I ask you finally to confer a favour on myself and those who were more generally associated with me in

the work—Mr. Woinarski and Mr. Pigott, who were appointed to assist me generally. I would ask the House to let those two gentlemen and myself have a special copy each of the Consolidated Statutes, which can be kept as a remembrance of this occasion. I have nothing more to say, except to repeat my very great thanks to the House, and to yourself, Mr. Speaker, brother of our revered Chief Justice, for the very kind reception accorded to me, the gracious words said about me, and for the thanks conveyed to me.

And then His Honour withdrew, the whole House rising again whilst His Honour was re-conducted by the Serjeant-at-Arms to the door of the House.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That what has now been said by Mr. Speaker in presenting the thanks of this House to His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen, together with His Honour's answer thereto, and the proceeding upon the occasion, be printed in the Votes of this day, which motion was seconded by Mr. Elmslie.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PRESENTATION COPIES OF CONSOLIDATING ACTS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That, in compliance with the request of His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen, copies of the Consolidating Acts be presented to His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen, to Casimir Julius Zichy Woinarski, Esquire, K.C., and to Gerald Pigott, Esquire.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 48.

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

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.’* ”
“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Developmental Railways Act 1915.’* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th October, 1915.

5. PAPERS.—Mr. Murray presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914—

Part IV.—Law, Crime, &c.
Part V.—Population.

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

Land Acts.—Report for the financial year ended 30th June, 1915 ; with Appendices.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 17 inclusive be postponed until after No. 18.

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 17 inclusive and No. 19 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 71.

 WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. GROCERY TRADE—APPRENTICES AND IMPROVERS IN THE RETAIL TRADE UNDER THE GROCERS BOARD.—Mr. Webber moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of—(a) apprentices, and (b) improvers, employed in the retail grocery trade and working under the operation of the Grocers Board.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Tenth Annual Report, 1914–15.
4. CLIFTON SPRINGS HOTEL BILL.—Mr. Murray obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make provision in regard to the Victualler’s Licence issued in respect of the Clifton Springs Hotel agreed to be leased to The Commonwealth of Australia as an Establishment for Convalescent Members of the Australian Imperial Forces* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. WARRIONS CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Mackinnon moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Warrions by means of a 5ft. 3in gauge railway with the existing railway system be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 72.

THURSDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. STAUGHTON VALE CLOSER SETTLEMENT AREA AND BALLIANG AND ANAKIE DISTRICTS CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the Staughton Vale Closer Settlement Area, and the districts of Balliang and Anakie by means of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway with the existing railway system ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. VACCINATION COMMITTEE.—Mr. Outtrim, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Select Committee upon the Efficacy of Vaccination and upon the Operation of the Vaccination Laws of the State ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Lawson, and the same was read :—
A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 49.*
In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and rents for the purposes of the Bill to amend the *Land Act* 1915.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th October, 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
7. LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 49, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees and rents for the purposes of the Bill to amend the *Land Act* 1915.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

8. **LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday next.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-one minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 73.

 WEDNESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1915.

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

Finance 1914–15.—Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1915; accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General and by the Documents specified in the Fifty-sixth Section of the Audit Act.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Fruit, Vegetables, and Jam Commission.—Minutes of Evidence.
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part VI.—Accumulation.

Mr. Mackinnon presented—
Railway Losses through Tramways Competition.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 16th September, 1915.

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 :—

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1915.

Land Acts.—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 131 of the *Land Act* 1901 (2 papers).

Supreme Court Act 1915.—Rules of Court under Part V. of the *Crimes Act* 1915.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. A. A. Billson rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The action of the Government in connexion with the spread of meningitis."

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. Murray addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—

Mr. Leckie moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Murray continued his speech.

Debate continued.

Question—put and negatived.

5. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until this day.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 17th November instant.
8. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Gordon,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Keast.

Noes, 18.

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 74.

THURSDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Licensing Act 1915.—Rules under the *Licensing Act* 1915.—Order in Council.
 - Savings Banks Acts.—The State Savings Bank of Victoria.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1915.
3. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 75.

TUESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. J. Cameron (for Mr. Speaker)—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Leckie—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (two Petitions).
 - By Mr. McLeod—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. McPherson—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Outtrim—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915.—Part VIII.—Statement showing the name of the Person temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.
 - Land Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Land Act* 1915.—Order in Council.
 - Land Acts.—Particulars of Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 131 of the *Land Act* 1901.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. SUPPLY.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £689,213 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	838
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	92
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	412
5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	72
6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	105
7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	389
8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,036
9. " " " Pensions, &c.	1,959
10. " " " Grants	200
11. Board for the Protection of Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	573
12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	338
13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,185
14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	246
15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	114
16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure	38
17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	267
19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	348
20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	59
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	254
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	307
23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	723
24. Agent-General—Staff and Office	300
25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,101
26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,657
27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	17,800
28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	13,657
29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,033
30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	29,831
31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,049
32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	252
33. Inspection of Factories and Shops—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,434
34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	83,383
35. " Pensions, &c.	67
36. " Works and Buildings	916
37. " Endowments and Grants	200
39. Supreme Court—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	333
40. Law Officers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,199
41. " Pensions, &c.	17
42. Crown Solicitor—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	569
43. Prothonotary—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	95
44. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	303
45. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,218
46. Sheriff—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	899
47. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	433
48. County Courts, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,864
49. Police Magistrates, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,200
50. Clerks of Courts—Salaries	2,400
51. Coroners—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	306
52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,812
54. " Unforeseen Expenditure	300
55. " Allowances to Railway Department	16,217
57. " Pensions, &c.	32
60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,231
61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,812
62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	89
63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	286
64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,840
65. " " Exceptional Expenditure	300
66. " " Advertising	300
67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,669
68. Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,461
69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	33
70. " " Grants	966
71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	770
72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,031
73. Works and Buildings	100
74. Exceptional Expenditure	100
75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,179
78. " " Works and Buildings	9,350
79. " " Road Works and Bridges	1,100

Division No.	£
82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,318
83. „ Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,358
85. „ Exceptional Expenditure	437
86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,356
88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	9,918
89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,017
90. Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,989
92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,749
93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,319
94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,300
96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	331,000
97. „ Pensions	2,067
98. „ Railway Construction Branch	530
99. State Coal Mine	20,610
Total	£639,213

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

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

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

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

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1915–16 the sum of £639,213 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

8. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No 4).—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirty-nine thousand two hundred and thirteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

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

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers’ Premises affected by the Operation of the ‘Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915’ and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts*”; and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 26th October, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirty-nine thousand two hundred and thirteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*”; and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 9th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,

President.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, that the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 76.

TUESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 70.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and thirty-nine thousand two hundred and thirteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th November, 1915.

3. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented:—
 - By Mr. Downward—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. M. K. McKenzie—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (five Petitions).
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Lawson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Judges.—Report of the Council of Judges under Section 33 of the *Supreme Court Act 1890*.
Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part VII.—Social Condition.
Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Grocery Trade—Apprentices and Improvers in the Retail Trade under the Grocers Board.—
Return to an Order of the House, dated 27th October, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Companies Act 1890.—Summary of Statements for the year 1914 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
Indeterminate Sentences Act 1907.—Annual Report of the Indeterminate Sentences Board for the year ended 30th June, 1915.
Mental Treatment Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Mental Treatment Act 1915*.
Training Ships Act 1915.—Regulations for Training Ship *John Murray*.—Order in Council.

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bittern to Red Hill*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Default Summonses*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendments with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Land Act 1915'*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision in regard to the Custody of Property of Alien Enemies during the Present War and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Crimes Act 1891'*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendments with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives and to regulate their Practice*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in such Bill, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to New Clause AA with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 77.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 51.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of penalties for the purposes of the Bill to Legalize the Totalizator under Certain Circumstances and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1915.

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

3. TOTALIZATOR BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 51, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of penalties for the purposes of the Bill to Legalize the Totalizator under Certain Circumstances and for other purposes.

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

4. DEFAULT SUMMONSES BILL—ERRORS REPORTED BY CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENTS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical errors had been discovered in this Bill :—

In Clause 1, lines 6-7, the figures and words "1890 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts" have been inserted instead of the figures and words "1915 which Act."

In Clause 2, line 9, the words and figures "seventeen of the *Justices Act 1904*" have been inserted instead of the words and figures "ninety-nine of the *Justices Act 1915*."

„ line 11, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine."

„ page 2, line 1, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine."

- In Clause 2, page 2, lines 2-3, the words "of petty sessions" have been inserted.
- " page 2, line 17, the words and figures "sixty-five of the *Justices Act 1890*" have been inserted instead of the words and figures "eighty-four of the *Justices Act 1915*."
- " page 2, line 23, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine."
- " page 2, line 29, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine."
- " page 3, line 6, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine"; and the words "of petty sessions" have been inserted.
- " page 3, line 8, the word "him" has been inserted instead of the word "it."
- " page 3, line 10, the word "seventeen" has been inserted instead of the word "ninety-nine."
- " page 3, line 16, the words and figures "the Third Schedule to the *Justices Act 1904*" have been inserted instead of the words and figures "Form 64 of the Second Schedule to the *Justices Act 1915*."
- " page 3, line 17, the words "by the said Courts" have been inserted instead of the words "by the court."

On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House agreed that the above errors be corrected as follows :—

- By the insertion of the figures and words "1915 which Act," in lines 6-7 of clause 1, instead of the figures and words "1890 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts."
- By the insertion of the words and figures "ninety-nine of the *Justices Act 1915*," in line 9 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "seventeen of the *Justices Act 1904*."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in line 11 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 1 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the omission of the words "of petty sessions," in page 2, lines 2-3 of clause 2.
- By the insertion of the words and figures "eighty-four of the *Justices Act 1915*," in page 2, line 17 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "sixty-five of the *Justices Act 1890*."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 23 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 29 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine" instead of the word "seventeen"; and by the omission of the words "of petty sessions," in page 3, line 6 of clause 2.
- By the insertion of the word "it," in page 3, line 8 of clause 2, instead of the word "him."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 3, line 10 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the words and figures "Form 64 of the Second Schedule to the *Justices Act 1915*," in page 3, line 16 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "the Third Schedule to the *Justices Act 1904*."
- By the insertion of the words "by the court," in page 3, line 17 of clause 2, instead of the words "by the said Courts."

Ordered—That the communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing errors.

5. RAILWAY TRAFFIC WITH BROADMEADOWS MILITARY CAMP AND RE-OPENING THE FAWKNER TO SOMERTON LINE.—Mr. Blackburn moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. What interest the Railway Department is paying on the unused Fawkner to Somerton line.
2. The estimated cost of re-opening this line.
3. The cost of opening the line from Coburg to Fawkner.
4. The amount per ton paid by the Defence Department to the Railway Department for cartage to the Camp.
5. The cost per month of running the train from Coburg to Fawkner.
6. The number of passengers who have travelled to Fawkner since the line from Coburg to Fawkner has been opened.
7. Whether the survey recently made of the loop line from Broadmeadows to the Camp was made at the direction of the Railway Department or at the direction of the Defence Department.
8. The distance by road from Flinders-street station to the Military Camp at Broadmeadows-road.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—

By Mr. Menzies (for Mr. Campbell)—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

By Mr. D. Smith—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria (two Petitions).

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

7. COMMONWEALTH POWERS (WAR) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to refer certain Matters to the Parliament of the Commonwealth for the Duration of the Present War and for a Period of Twelve Months after the Conclusion of Peace*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. SUPREME COURT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend Section Forty-seven of the ‘Supreme Court Act 1915’ and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. JUSTICES ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend Section One hundred and eighty-four of the ‘Justices Act 1915’ and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.
Mr. Solly also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until this day.
12. RAILWAYS ROLLING-STOCK REPLACEMENT FUND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Order of the Day be read and discharged.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
13. RAILWAYS ROLLING-STOCK REPLACEMENT FUND BILL (No. 2).—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the resolution reported from the Committee of the whole House on the 24th day of August last, and agreed to by the Legislative Assembly, authorizing an Appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account, be now read.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And the said resolution was read by the Clerk as follows :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for a Railways Rolling-stock Replacement Fund and a Railways Rolling-stock Reserve Account*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 23 inclusive be postponed until this day.
15. COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION BILL.—Mr. Outtrim, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. J. W. Billson, obtained leave, with Mr. J. W. Billson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to abolish Compulsory Vaccination in Victoria*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday next.
16. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Downward moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. J. Cameron moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.
17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Wednesday next, and Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 23 inclusive until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—
Supply—To be further considered in Committee.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 78.

THURSDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
 2. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
 3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
 4. MARRIAGE (FACILITIES) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
 6. CRIMES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they insist on their amendments in this Bill with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
7. Clause 2, page 2, line 4, after "prosecution" add "or by the judge or justice."	} Disagreed with by Assembly. —Insisted on by Council.
9. " page 2, line 31, after "prosecution" insert "Provided that the permission of the judge (to be applied for in the absence of the jury) must first be obtained."	
- Amendment 7—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this House insist on disagreeing with this amendment.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Amendment 9—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with this amendment.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with one of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in such Bill, and insist on disagreeing with the other of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

7. MIDWIFERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they have disagreed with some of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and have agreed to New Clause AA with an amendment, having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

6. Clause 10, sub-section (1), line 2, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person"; and after the word "unless" insert the words "he or."
 7. ,, sub-section (2), line 4, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person."

How dealt with
by the Legis-
lative Council.

Disagreed with.

Insert the following New Clause:—

In place of Clause 4—

18. AA. (1) The Governor in Council may appoint three members of the Public Service of Victoria who shall be officers of the Department of Public Health as a Board to be called "The Midwives Board" and may appoint one of such members as chairman and may from time to time remove the chairman or any other member of the Board.

(2) No person shall be appointed a member of the Board for more than three years, but (subject to this Act) any person appointed a member of the Board shall upon the expiration of the period for which he is so appointed be eligible for re-appointment.

(3) On the occurrence of any vacancy in the Board the Governor in Council may appoint another person as aforesaid to fill the vacancy; and any person appointed to fill an extraordinary vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed.

(4) During any vacancy in the Board the continuing members subject to their being a quorum may act as if no vacancy existed.

(5) A quorum of the Board shall consist of not less than two members.

(6) At any meeting of the Board the chairman or in his absence any member elected by the members present to act as chairman of such meeting shall preside and have a second or casting vote.

(7) The first meeting of the Board shall be convened by the Minister.

Agreed to with
the following
amendment:
—Omit the
words "who
shall be offi-
cers of the
Department
of Public
Health."

Amendments 6 and 7—

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on these amendments.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council be adjourned until Tuesday next.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 to 25 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 79.

TUESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 52.

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

“ *An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bittern to Red Hill.* ”

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

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1915.

PETITIONS.—Mr. J. W. Billson presented a petition from the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Fitzroy, under the common seal of the said City, praying that the House, in any provisions which it may make for the carrying on of the tramways constructed for the municipalities under the Agreement confirmed by section 3 of the Act No. 765 and set forth in the Fourth Schedule to the said Act, will not destroy the rights conferred by Parliament under such Agreement or prevent the said City from enjoying the benefits which may and should arise therefrom
On the motion of Mr. J. W. Billson, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—

By Mr. Membrey (for Mr. Speaker)—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (five Petitions).

By Mr. McLachlan—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Lawson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1914–15.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth and purchased for the use of the Treasurer's Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Education Act 1890.—Regulations rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation XIII.—A.—Organization, School Hours, and Time-table ; B.—Duties of Head Teachers and Assistants.—Order in Council.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 7 inclusive be postponed until after No. 8.
6. **MIDWIFERY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they have disagreed with some of the amendments made in this Bill by the Legislative Assembly, and have agreed to new clause AA with an amendment, having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

How dealt with
by the Legis-
lative Council.

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| <p>6. Clause 10, sub-section (1), line 2, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person"; and after the word "unless" insert the words "he or."</p> <p>7. „ sub-section (2), line 4, omit the word "woman" and insert the word "person."</p> | } | Disagreed with. |
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Insert the following New Clause:—

In place of Clause 4—

18. AA. (1) The Governor in Council may appoint three members of the Public Service of Victoria who shall be officers of the Department of Public Health as a Board to be called "The Midwives Board" and may appoint one of such members as chairman and may from time to time remove the chairman or any other member of the Board.
- (2) No person shall be appointed a member of the Board for more than three years, but (subject to this Act) any person appointed a member of the Board shall upon the expiration of the period for which he is so appointed be eligible for re-appointment.
- (3) On the occurrence of any vacancy in the Board the Governor in Council may appoint another person as aforesaid to fill the vacancy; and any person appointed to fill an extraordinary vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed.
- (4) During any vacancy in the Board the continuing members subject to there being a quorum may act as if no vacancy existed.
- (5) A quorum of the Board shall consist of not less than two members.
- (6) At any meeting of the Board the chairman or in his absence any member elected by the members present to act as chairman of such meeting shall preside and have a second or casting vote.
- (7) The first meeting of the Board shall be convened by the Minister.

Agreed to with
the following
amendment :
—Omit the
words " who
shall be offi-
cers of the
Department
of Public
Health."

Debate resumed on the motion, That this House do not insist on amendments 6 and 7.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on their amendments in clause 10, disagreed with by the Legislative Council, but make the following consequential amendments in the said clause:—

In sub-section (1) of the said clause 10, before "After" insert "No man shall for gain attend women in childbirth and"; after "woman" insert "unless she is registered under this Act"; and after "childbirth" omit "unless she is registered under this Act."

In sub-section (2) of the said clause 10, line 35, before "Any woman" insert "Any man so acting or."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 18—

Mr. Lawson moved, That the amendment of the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council in new clause AA, and do not insist on their amendments in clause 10 disagreed with by the Legislative Council, but have made consequential amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.

8. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Default Summonses*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have concurred in the correction of the said errors as follows :—

- By the insertion of the figures and words "1915 which Act," in lines 6-7 of clause 1, instead of the figures and words "1890 and any Act amending the same all of which Acts."
- By the insertion of the words and figures "ninety-nine of the *Justices Act 1915*," in line 9 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "seventeen of the *Justices Act 1904*."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in line 11 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 1 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the omission of the words "of petty sessions," in page 2, lines 2-3 of clause 2.
- By the insertion of the words and figures "eighty-four of the *Justices Act 1915*," in page 2, line 17 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "sixty-five of the *Justices Act 1890*."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 23 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 2, line 29 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine" instead of the word "seventeen"; and by the omission of the words "of petty sessions," in page 3, line 6 of clause 2.
- By the insertion of the word "it," in page 3, line 8 of clause 2, instead of the word "him."
- By the insertion of the word "ninety-nine," in page 3, line 10 of clause 2, instead of the word "seventeen."
- By the insertion of the words and figures "Form 64 of the Second Schedule to the *Justices Act 1915*," in page 3, line 16 of clause 2, instead of the words and figures "the Third Schedule to the *Justices Act 1904*."
- By the insertion of the words "by the court," in page 3, line 17 of clause 2, instead of the words "by the said Courts."

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Advances on certain Terms to Farmers to enable them to procure Dairy Cattle and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives and to regulate their Practice*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 10 of such Bill.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 7 inclusive and Nos. 9 to 25 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 80.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented:—
 - By Mr. Bayles—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (three Petitions).
 - By Mr. Mackinnon—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Children's Court Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Children's Court Act 1915*.—Order in Council.
 - Closer Settlement Act 1904.—Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the year ended 30th June, 1915
 - Land Acts.—Particulars of Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 131 of the *Land Act 1901*.
4. HEALTH ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McLeod, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Sir Alexander Peacock, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Health Act 1915' and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. ST. KILDA TRAMWAY BILL.—Mr. McCutcheon, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Membrey, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to extend the Provisions of the 'Tramways Act 1915' to the Municipality of Saint Kilda within certain Limits and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. EDUCATION ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Education Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST BILL.—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. **KEW (BURKE-ROAD) TRAMWAY BILL.**—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Construction Operation and Management by the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust of a certain Tramway in the Municipal District of Kew*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Sessional Order as provides that no fresh business be called on after half-past Nine o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after Four o'clock on Thursday, be rescinded, and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Ten o'clock on each of those days.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business and Private Bill Business after half-past Seven o'clock on Wednesday be suspended for the remainder of the Session, and that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business during each sitting day.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1915-16—RESOLUTIONS RESCINDED.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on the dates hereunder specified granting to His Majesty the following sums on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz. :—
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| Division No. 76—Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure— | | | | |
| Reported on 30th June, 1915 | ... | ... | ... | £107,132 |
| Reported on 7th October, 1915 | ... | ... | ... | 1,920 |
| | | | | 1,920 |
| | Total | ... | ... | £109,052 |
- be read and rescinded.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 24 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 81.

THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. LICENSING (RENTS AND FEES ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—
 1. Clause 4, lines 25-7, omit " and where the occupier is the purchaser under a then uncompleted contract even though the balance of purchase money is secured by mortgage to the vendor."
 2. " line 29, omit " or the occupier being the purchaser may give to the unpaid vendor."
 3. " line 30, after " of " insert " pecuniary loss sustained by him by reason of."
 4. " line 34, omit " purchase."
 5. " line 39, omit " or vendor."
 6. " line 42, omit " Licences Reduction."
 7. " page 3, line 2, omit " or vendor."
 8. " " line 4, omit " or vendor."
 9. " " line 6, omit " Acts " and insert " Act 1915."
 10. " " sub-clause (3), at the end of the sub-clause add " In arriving at such determination the Board shall have regard to the quantity of liquor sold before and after the commencement of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and to any reduction in the expenses of carrying on the business consequent upon the loss of trade (if any) attributable to the restriction of hours imposed by the said Act."
 11. " " line 21, omit " Acts " and insert " Act 1915."
 12. " " line 31, after " of " insert " the."
 13. " " lines 32-3, omit " or the interest payable by him."
 14. " " line 39, omit " desires " and insert " may be entitled."
 15. " " line 42, omit " or the interest."
 16. " " line 45, omit " all " where it first occurs.
 17. " " line 45, after " adjustments " insert " (if any)."
 18. " page 4, line 2, after " chargeable " insert " by the owner."
 19. " " line 2, after " house " insert " after the commencement of the said Act."
 20. " " lines 14-15, omit " or the interest payable on the balance of purchase money."
 21. " page 5, line 7, omit " Act " and insert " section."
 22. " " line 18, omit " Act " and insert " section."

23. Clause 4, add the following new sub-clause :—

“(11) Provided that upon the expiration of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* if the said occupier and the said owner do not agree as to a readjustment of rent bonus or other consideration or the interest payable as aforesaid the said Board shall reduce the adjustment made (if any) of rent bonus or other consideration or the interest payable as aforesaid proportionately having regard to the period during which the said Act was in operation.”

24. Clause 5, line 22, omit “regulations” and insert “rules.”

25. Clause 6, lines 33–5, omit “the bar used by the licensed victualler for the purpose of selling liquor within the meaning of the Licensing Acts” and insert “any bar or place where liquor may be kept or from which liquor may be supplied and provided also that any room or place upon the licensed premises or connected therewith which is set apart for or commonly used by persons to whom such non-intoxicating refreshments or drinks are supplied shall between the hours aforesaid be kept open and accessible to any authorized member of the police force.”

26. In the Title add “and for other purposes.”

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 and 2 disagreed with.

Amendment 3 agreed to.

Amendments 4 and 5 disagreed with.

Amendment 6 agreed to.

Amendments 7 to 9 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 10 agreed to.

Amendment 11 disagreed with.

Amendment 12 agreed to.

Amendment 13 disagreed with.

Amendment 14 agreed to.

Amendment 15 disagreed with.

Amendments 16 and 17 agreed to.

Amendment 18 disagreed with.

Amendment 19 agreed to.

Amendment 20 disagreed with.

Amendments 21 and 22 agreed to.

Amendment 23 disagreed with.

Amendments 24 to 26 inclusive agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

5. **SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they insist on their amendments in this Bill with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

1. Clause 3, line 13, after “subject-matter” insert—
“ ‘Council’ means council of a municipality.”
2. „ page 2, line 1, after “appointed” insert “by a council.”
3. „ page 2, line 1, after “Act” omit “and includes the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops and the Assistant Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops.”
4. „ page 2, line 3, after “Shops” insert—
“ ‘Municipal clerk’ means the city clerk of a city or the town clerk of a city town or borough or the secretary of a shire.”
“ ‘Municipality’ and ‘Municipal district’ include the city of Melbourne and the city of Geelong.”
5. „ page 2, line 15, after “iron” add “and under eight feet in height.”
6. Clause 4, omit this clause, and insert in lieu thereof the following clause :—
4. The council of every municipality to which this Act applies shall carry out the provisions of this Act and every such council shall appoint the building surveyor or building inspectors or the engineer of such municipality or some or all of them as an inspector or inspectors to enforce in its municipal district the provisions of this Act under the direction of the council.
7. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), lines 23-4, omit “to the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops.”

How dealt with.

Disagreed with
by Assembly—
Insisted on by
Council.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

8. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), line 25, after "begun" add "to the municipal clerk of the municipality in whose municipal district the scaffolding is intended to be erected."
9. " sub-clause (2), line 29, omit "Twenty" and insert "Ten."
11. Clause 7, sub-clause (3), line 13, omit "the Minister" and insert "the building surveyor of the municipality in whose district the scaffolding is or is to be erected or where such officer is an inspector to such other person as the chairman of the municipality appoints for the purpose."
12. " sub-clause (3), line 15, omit "Minister" and insert "municipal clerk."
13. " sub-clause (3), line 16, omit "Minister" and insert "building surveyor or person so appointed."
14. " sub-clause (3), lines 17-18, omit "or appoint some person to do so and such Minister or person appointed by him" and insert "and."
15. " sub-clause (4), lines 26-7, omit "by the Minister or person appointed by him as aforesaid" and insert "under subsection (3) of this section."
16. " sub-clause (4), line 28, omit "Fifty" and insert "Twenty."
17. Clause 9, line 43, omit "Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops" and insert "clerk of the municipality in whose municipal district the accident occurs."

Add the following New Clauses :—

18. B. Notwithstanding any publication thereof no such rescission amendment or addition shall continue to have any force or effect if the same shall be disapproved either wholly or in part by resolution of either House of Parliament within thirty days after such rescission amendment or addition shall have been laid before Parliament if Parliament shall be so long in Session : Provided that if Parliament shall not be in Session for thirty days after such rescission amendment or addition shall have been laid before it, then no such rescission amendment or addition shall continue to have any force or effect if disapproved by either House of Parliament within thirty days after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament.
19. C. (1) The owner of any scaffolding shall for every first inspection thereof pay to the council such fee not being less than Five shillings as having regard to the extent of the scaffolding the council determines, but not exceeding in the case of—

swing-stages and boatswains' chairs	Five shillings.
one-story buildings	Ten shillings.
two-story buildings	One pound.
three-story buildings	One pound and ten shillings.
four-story buildings	Two pounds.
five-story buildings	Two pounds and ten shillings.
six-story buildings	Three pounds.
seven-story buildings	Three pounds and ten shillings.
eight-story buildings and over ..	Four pounds.

 (2) Such fees shall form part of the municipal fund of the municipality.

Disagreed with
by Assembly—
Insisted on by
Council.

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House insist on disagreeing with these amendments.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in such Bill.

6. ENEMY PROPERTY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, line 6, omit "second" and insert "thirtieth."
2. " " omit "October" and insert "November."
3. Clause 5, lines 40-1, omit "municipal or other."
4. Clause 13, line 8, omit "the first of such last-mentioned."
5. " " after "sections" insert "ten and twelve of this Act."
6. " line 16, omit "any of the said."
7. " " after "sections" add "ten eleven or twelve of this Act."
8. Clause 14, add the following new sub-clause :—
" (6) For the purposes of this section the word 'enemy' includes any enemy subject within the meaning of the Acts of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia known as the *Trading with the Enemy Acts 1914*."

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

7. **CLIFTON SPRINGS HOTEL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. McLeod moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **SUPREME COURT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **JUSTICES ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Snowball moved, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision for the granting of gratuities or annuities to officers, servants, or employees of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, or to their dependants in case of death.
And Mr. Speaker having ruled the proposed instruction out of order as being irrelevant to the subject-matter of the Bill as read a second time—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the further consideration of this Bill be adjourned until this day.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **ST. KILDA TRAMWAY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. McCutcheon moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. McCutcheon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Lawson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
12. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow Mr. Snowball's motion—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision for the granting of gratuities or annuities to officers, servants, or employees of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, or to their dependants in case of death—to be considered.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to make provision for the granting of gratuities or annuities to officers, servants, or employees of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, or to their dependants in case of death—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

13. EDUCATION ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

14. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.

Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

15. KEW (BURKE-ROAD) TRAMWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.

Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

16. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :—

Wharfage Rates Bill—Second reading.

Meat Acquisition Bill—Second reading.

Cream Grading Bill—Second reading.

Metropolitan Council Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Closer Settlement Commission—Progress Report of—To be further considered.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 14 to 23 inclusive, No. 25, and No. 30, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 82.

TUESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 53.

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

- “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Default Summonses.*”
 “ *An Act to provide for Advances on certain Terms to Farmers to enable them to procure Dairy Cattle and for other purposes.*”
 “ *An Act to provide for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives and to regulate their Practice.*”
 “ *An Act to make provision in regard to the Custody of Property of Alien Enemies during the Present War and for other purposes.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 30th November, 1915.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth and purchased for the use of the Education Department during the period from 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915.

Mr. McLeod presented—

Fines under Dairy, Pure Food, Factories, and Weights and Measures Acts.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 14th October, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Coal Mines Regulation Act 1909.—State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines to the Honorable H. McKenzie, M.P., Minister of Railways for Victoria ; including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet, and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1914-15.

Public Works Loan Application Act 1911—

Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Cool Stores ; together with the Reports of the Managing Officers on the Operations of the Stores, for the financial year 1914-15 :—

Burwood East Fruit Cool Store.
Diamond Creek Fruit Cool Store.
Victoria Dock Cool Stores.

4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate Marriages between British Subjects resident in Victoria and British Subjects resident in the United Kingdom,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 83.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Blackburn, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Printing Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. STATE SAVINGS BANK ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'State Savings Bank Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. TOBACCO SELLERS BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Sellers of Tobacco Cigars Cigarettes and Snuff*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. MANDURANG LANDS BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke as to Part the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land in the Parishes of Lockwood and Mandurang permanently reserved from Sale for Victorian Water Supply purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That during the remainder of the Session the House shall meet on Friday, in addition to the present days of sitting; that half-past Ten o'clock a.m. shall be the hour of meeting on that day; that Government business shall have precedence of all other business; and that no fresh business except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper be called on after half-past Ten o'clock p.m.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the Operation of the 'Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915' and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendments with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th November, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 54.

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

“ *An Act to facilitate Marriages between British Subjects resident in Victoria and British Subjects resident in the United Kingdom.*”

“ *An Act relating to the Adjustment of Rents in respect of certain Licensed Victuallers' Premises affected by the Operation of the ' Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915 ' and to the Rebate of certain Fees under the Licensing Acts and for other purposes.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 1st December, 1915.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 84.

THURSDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Downward—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Lawson, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Membrey, obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to further amend the ‘ Local Government Act 1915 ’ and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 85.

FRIDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1915.

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

2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented:—

By Mr. McPherson—

From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 55.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

4. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 55, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for Railways Public Works and other purposes.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 56.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

6. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 56, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 57.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1914*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

8. **TREASURY BONDS ACT 1914 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 57, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1914*.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1914'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 58.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

10. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 58, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 59.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the *State Savings Bank Act 1915*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

12. STATE SAVINGS BANK ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 59, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the *State Savings Bank Act 1915*.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
13. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
14. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
15. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
16. WILLAURA LAND BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Exchange of certain Lands in the Parish of Willaura County of Ripon and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
17. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
18. WAYS AND MEANS—STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION).—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
Resolved—That the salaries of officers of the State of Victoria earned in the said State and the reimbursement of expenses paid to Members of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria and the income derived either directly or indirectly from bargains and contracts entered into by or on behalf of His Majesty be subject to taxation by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia in common with other salaries earned in the Commonwealth of Australia.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McCutcheon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
19. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Taxation by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia of Salaries Reimbursements and other Moneys paid by the State of Victoria*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
20. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21. **WAYS AND MEANS.—INCOME TAX.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
- Resolved—*
1. That where any person (not being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property, and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of section three of the *Income Tax Act 1914* the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.
 2. That the period for which assessments are to be made be altered from the calendar year to the financial year.
- And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
 Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McCutcheon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
22. **INCOME TAX LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
23. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
24. **WAYS AND MEANS.—LAND TAX.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
- Resolved—*That, subject to the Land Tax Acts, there shall in the case of each owner of land be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, a duty of land tax upon land for every pound sterling of the unimproved value thereof at such rate as is hereinafter set forth (that is to say):—
- Where the unimproved value or total unimproved value of all land or lands of any owner exceeds Two hundred and fifty pounds the rate of tax payable thereon for the said year shall be : On every pound sterling of its unimproved value, One half-penny.
- Provided that the minimum amount of land tax payable in the said year by any taxpayer assessed shall be Two shillings and sixpence.
- And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
 Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McCutcheon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
25. **LAND TAX BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
26. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
 Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.
 Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
27. **PAPER.**—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
- Country Roads Act 1912.—Second Annual Report of the Country Roads Board.
28. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until Tuesday next.
29. **ST. KILDA TRAMWAY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
- Debate resumed.
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McCutcheon, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

30. JURIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 4, sub-clause (1), omit this sub-clause.

2. *Add the following New Clause:—*

A. In section five of the Principal Act the words “or being an alien and having been domiciled in Victoria for ten years” are hereby repealed.

3. In the Schedule, under the heading “QUALIFICATION—COMMON JURORS,” where it occurs the second time, omit “or alien domiciled in Victoria for ten years.”

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

31. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 20 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 86.

TUESDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1915.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 60.

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

“ An Act to amend the ‘ Juries Act 1915 ’ and for other purposes.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.
3. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—

By Mr. Keast—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Housing of the People Commission.—First Progress Report from the Royal Commission on the Housing Conditions of the People in the Metropolis and in the Populous Centres of the State (Sanitation and Housing Conditions at Seaside Resorts, extending from Black Rock to Frankston); together with an Appendix.

Mr. H. McKenzie presented—

Railway Traffic with Broadmeadows Military Camp and re-opening the Fawcner to Somerton Line.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 17th November, 1915.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Trade Unions—Twenty-ninth Annual Report on.—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1914, with an Appendix.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 61.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of taxes for the purposes of the Bill to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1915.

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

6. **INCOME TAX LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 61, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of taxes for the purposes of the Bill to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes.

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

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 62.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the *Transfer of Land Act 1915* of certain Sums, and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

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

8. **SPECIAL FUNDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 62, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the *Transfer of Land Act 1915* of certain sums, and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds, and for other purposes.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1915' of certain Sums and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 63.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to a certain unexpended balance under the *Surplus Revenue Act 1905*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

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

10. **SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 63, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to a certain unexpended balance under the *Surplus Revenue Act 1905*.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to a certain Unexpended Balance under the 'Surplus Revenue Act 1905'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 64.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915* and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

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

12. **GEELONG HARBOR TRUST ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 64, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915* and for other purposes.

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

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

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915' and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive and No. 12 be postponed until after Nos. 11 and 13.

14. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

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

15. **SUPPLY.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £16,261 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz. :—

Division No.	£
86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,343
88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission... ..	9,918
94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,000
Total	£16,261

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

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That out of amounts already voted by the Committee of Supply, but not yet reported to the House, a sum not exceeding £623,976 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	838
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	92
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	126
5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	52
6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	98
7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	382
8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,033
9. " " " Pensions, &c.	3,500
10. " " " Grants	50
11. Board for the Protection of Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	385
12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	338
13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	184
14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	246
15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	114
16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure	38
17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	96
18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	267

Division No.	£
19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	348
20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	59
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	254
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	307
23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	723
24. Agent-General—Staff and Office	300
25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,100
26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,662
27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	20,100
28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ..	13,344
29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,041
30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	29,830
31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,052
32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	261
33. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,218
34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	83,963
35. " Pensions, &c.	67
36. " Works and Buildings	916
37. " Endowments and Grants	300
39. Supreme Court—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	323
40. Law Officers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,212
41. " " Pensions, &c.	18
42. Crown Solicitor—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	582
43. Prothonotary—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	77
44. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	304
45. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,294
46. Sheriff—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	899
47. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	461
48. County Courts, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,027
49. Police Magistrates, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,238
50. Clerks of Courts—Salaries	2,400
51. Coroners—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	306
52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,932
54. " Unforeseen Expenditure	300
55. " Allowances to Railway Department	3,866
56. " Grants... ..	28,600
57. " Pensions, &c.	32
60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,231
61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,812
62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	89
63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	231
64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,090
66. " " Advertising	300
67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,669
68. Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,703
69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	46
70. " " Grants	966
71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	778
72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,867
73. Works and Buildings	299
74. Exceptional Expenditure	200
75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,764
78. " " Works and Buildings	7,458
79. " " Road Works and Bridges	1,000
82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,318
83. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,358
85. " Exceptional Expenditure	437
89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	768
90. Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,039
92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,728
93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,150
96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	331,814
97. " Pensions	2,067
98. " Railway Construction Branch	530
99. State Coal Mine	20,610
Total	£623,976

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1915–1916 the sum of £640,237 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

18. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty thousand two hundred and thirty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

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

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

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

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

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

19. **VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

21. **TREASURY BONDS ACT 1914 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

22. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

23. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until to-morrow.

24. **LAND TAX BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

25. **INCOME TAX LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment. Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

26. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive and Nos. 12 and 14 be postponed until to-morrow.

27. **MANDURANG LANDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment. Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

28. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendments with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

29. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section Forty-seven of the 'Supreme Court Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Education Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Construction Operation and Management by the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust of a certain Tramway in the Municipal District of Kew,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision in regard to the Victualler's Licence issued in respect of the Clifton Springs Hotel agreed to be leased to The Commonwealth of Australia as an Establishment for Convalescent Members of The Australian Imperial Forces,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

80. TOBACCO SELLERS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
81. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 17 be postponed until to-morrow.
82. STATE SAVINGS BANK ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
83. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
84. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty thousand two hundred and thirty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

85. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 19 to 29 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at two minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 87.

 WEDNESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL (No. 2).—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘River Murray Waters Act 1915’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
3. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendment be taken into consideration to-morrow.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section One hundred and eighty-four of the 'Justices Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Sessional Acts Revision Act 1915' and to correct certain Errors in the Consolidating Acts passed during the present Session and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

9. SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL (No. 2).—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1914,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to extend the Provisions of the 'Tramways Act 1915' to the Municipality of Saint Kilda within certain Limits and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and sixteen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Crimes Act 1891,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly but with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 26 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at forty-one minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 88.

THURSDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CALLIGNEE, GORMANDALE, LONGFORD, STRADBROKE, AND WOODSIDE CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up the Second Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the districts of Callignee, Gormandale, Longford, Stradbroke, and Woodside with the existing railway system by means of a railway or railways ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. BEAUMARIS CONNECTING ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY.—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Beaumaris with the existing railway system by means of an electric street railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Solly having reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
5. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1915-16.—Mr. Solly reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915-16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Division No.		£	£
1.	Legislative Council	574	
2.	Legislative Assembly	4,856	
3.	Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	372	
4.	Refreshment Rooms	590	
5.	The Library	449	
6.	The Library, State Parliament House	492	
7.	Victorian Parliamentary Debates	1,725	
8.	Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,809	
9.	" " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c.	6,448	
10.	" " Grants	6,965	
11.	Board for the Protection of the Aborigines	2,245	
12.	Explosives	2,233	
13.	State Accident Insurance Office	1,123	
14.	Fisheries and Game	1,326	
15.	Government Shorthand Writer	678	
16.	The Governor's Office	201	
17.	Herbarium	560	
18.	Inebriates Institution	1,519	
19.	Marine Board	1,949	
20.	Mercantile Marine	353	

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY—*continued.*

Division No.		£	£
21.	Observatory	1,214	
22.	Premier's Office	1,647	
23.	Training Ship	4,050	
24.	Agent-General	4,025	
25.	Audit Office	6,469	
26.	Government Statist	10,593	
27.	Hospitals for the Insane	133,181	
28.	Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	88,789	
29.	Penal Establishments and Gaols	31,755	
30.	Police	171,473	
31.	Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria	12,164	
32.	Public Service Commissioner	1,675	
		<hr/>	507,502

II.—MINISTER OF LABOUR.

33.	Department of Labour		13,034
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And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915-16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

III.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Division No.		£	£
34.	Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	506,834	
35.	„ Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation	415	
36.	„ Works and Buildings	5,252	
37.	„ Endowments and Grants	14,126	
		<hr/>	526,627

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

39.	Supreme Court	1,891	
40.	Law Officers of the Crown—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,301	
41.	„ „ Pensions, Gratuities, &c.	104	
42.	Crown Solicitor	3,575	
43.	Prothonotary	957	
44.	Master in Equity and Lunacy	1,827	
45.	Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	21,309	
46.	Sheriff	4,968	
47.	Comptroller of Stamps and Collector of Imposts	2,812	
		<hr/>	44,744

V.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

48.	County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions, and Children's Courts	11,903	
49.	Police Magistrates and Wardens	7,457	
50.	Clerks of Courts	14,928	
51.	Coroners	1,822	
		<hr/>	36,110

VI.—TREASURER.

52.	Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	13,529	
53.	„ Transport, Samples, and Marine Insurance	5,250	
54.	„ Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	2,100	
55.	„ Allowances to Railway Department	11,000	
56.	„ Grants	57,100	
57.	„ Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities, &c.	191	
58.	„ Exceptional Expenditure	23,685	
60.	Taxation Office—Income Tax Branch	7,222	
61.	„ „ Land Tax Branch	14,723	
62.	„ „ Death Duties Branch	528	
63.	Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	1,365	
64.	Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	47,600	
65.	„ „ Exceptional Expenditure	360	
66.	„ „ Advertising, &c.	2,040	
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VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

67.	Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands	45,520	
68.	Immigration and Labour Bureau	12,701	
69.	Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	265	
70.	„ „ „ Grants	8,160	
71.	Botanic and Domain Gardens	4,621	
72.	Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals	7,675	
73.	Works and Buildings	2,583	
74.	Exceptional Expenditure	3,013	
		<hr/>	84,538

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Division No.		£	£
75.	Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	25,255	
75A.	„ „ Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation	563	
76.	Ports and Harbors—Salaries, Ordinary Expenditure, Works, &c., and Shipbuilding	98,336	
77.	„ „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	5,500	
78.	Public Works—Works and Buildings	107,950	
79.	„ „ Road Works and Bridges	6,770	
80.	„ „ Endowments and Grants—Municipalities, &c.	37,945	
81.	„ „ Exceptional Expenditure	130	
		—	282,449

IX.—MINISTER OF MINES.

82.	Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	13,275	
83.	„ „ Furtherance of Mining Industry	12,730	
85.	„ „ Exceptional Expenditure	2,360	
		—	28,365

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Solly reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915–16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

X.—MINISTER OF FORESTS.

Division No.		£
86.	State Forests	20,724

XI.—MINISTER OF WATER SUPPLY.

88.	State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	60,496
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And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915–16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

Division No.		£	£
89.	Department of Agriculture—Administrative	4,585	
90.	Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	37,545	
90A.	„ „ To meet Loss incurred in connexion with Imported Wheat and Fodder	110,000	
91.	„ „ Grants	1,436	
92.	Stock and Dairy	10,555	
93.	Export Development	26,650	
		—	190,771

And, after debate, the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Solly reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915–16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

Division No.		£
94.	Public Health	19,343

And, after debate, the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That the consideration of the further resolution reported from the Committee of Supply be postponed until Tuesday next.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 29 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-six minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 89.

FRIDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1915.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Supreme Court Act 1915—Supreme Court Office Fees Regulations 1915.—Order in Council.

- 3. FYANSFORD DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting the district of Fyansford by means of a 5ft. 3in. gauge railway with the existing railway system be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 4. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to confer certain Powers on the Government of Victoria in regard to the Marketing of the Wheat Harvest of the Season 1915–1916 and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LAND BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to revoke the Crown Grant of certain Land forming portion of the Burial Ground in the City of Melbourne commonly known as the ‘ Old Cemetery ’ and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. JUSTICES ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Add the following new clauses :—

- 1. A. Section one hundred and twenty-four of the *Justices Act 1915* is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following proviso :—“ Provided also that any error in any such certificate may be amended by the Supreme Court or a Judge thereof.”
- 2. B. Section twenty-three of the *Justices Act 1915* is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph :—
“ (1A) Where persons are sued as partners in the name of their firm the summons may be served either upon any one or more of the partners or at the principal place within the jurisdiction of the business of the partnership upon any person apparently not less than twenty-one years of age having at the time of service the control or management of the partnership business there.”
- 3. C. The following provisions shall apply to complaints in cases of civil debts recoverable summarily under the *Justices Act 1915* :—
(1) When there are numerous persons having the same interest one or more of such persons may sue on behalf of or for the benefit of all persons so interested.
(2) Any person carrying on business within the jurisdiction in a name or style other than his own name may be sued in such name or style as if it were a firm name.

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

7. **CRIMES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they still insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly but with an amendment having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

7. Clause 2, page 2, line 4, after "prosecution" add "or by the judge or justice."

Disagreed with by Assembly. — Insisted on by Council. — Disagreement insisted on by Assembly.

Still insisted on by Council but with the following amendment:— After "or," where it first occurs, insert "unless the accused person elects to make a statement not on oath."

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not now insist on disagreeing with this amendment, but agree to the same as amended by the Legislative Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council in such Bill, but have agreed to the same as amended by the Legislative Council.

8. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Clause 3, line 20, omit "or annuity."

And the said amendment was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

9. **WILLAURA LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

10. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 6 be postponed until after No. 7.

12. **SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. **PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time this day.
14. **SPECIAL FUNDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. **SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
16. **PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
 On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—
 Clause 6, sub-section (1), paragraph (b), omit the words “during the continuance of the war in which His Majesty is at present engaged.”
 „ At the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :—
 “(3) This section shall remain in force during the continuance of the war in which His Majesty is at present engaged and during such further period as the Governor in Council shall determine.”
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 10 be postponed until Tuesday next.
18. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 12 to 23 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
20. **DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :—
Mildura College Lands Bill—Second reading.
Constitution Act 1906 Amendment Bill—Second reading.
Geelong Harbor Trust Bill—Second reading.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :—

Mildura College Lands Bill—Second reading.
Geelong Harbor Trust Bill—Second reading.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 25 and 27 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

22. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 90.

TUESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 65.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

- “ *An Act to amend Section Forty-seven of the ‘ Supreme Court Act 1915 ’ and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Education Act 1915. ’* ”
- “ *An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust.* ”
- “ *An Act to provide for the Construction Operation and Management by the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust of a certain Tramway in the Municipal District of Kew.* ”
- “ *An Act to make provision in regard to the Victualler’s Licence issued in respect of the Clifton Springs Hotel agreed to be leased to The Commonwealth of Australia as an Establishment for Convalescent Members of The Australian Imperial Forces.* ”
- “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty thousand two hundred and thirty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Treasury Bonds Act 1914. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds.* ”
- “ *An Act to extend the Provisions of the ‘ Tramways Act 1915 ’ to the Municipality of Saint Kilda within certain Limits and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend Section One hundred and eighty-four of the ‘ Justices Act 1915 ’ and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Crimes Act 1915. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915. ’* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
- Administration and Probate Act 1915.—Death Duties Rules.—Rules under Part VI. of the *Administration and Probate Act 1915.*
- Enemy Property Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Enemy Property Act 1915.*—Order in Council.
- Friendly Societies Acts Amendment Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Friendly Societies Acts Amendment Act 1915.*—Order in Council.
- Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915.—Ninth Report of the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners, for the year ending 31st December, 1914.
- Land Acts.—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 131 of the *Land Act 1901* (2 papers).
- Land Tax Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Land Tax Act 1915.*—Order in Council.

4. BALANCE-SHEETS OF COMMERCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE STATE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House the balance-sheets, as at 30th June, 1915, of Commercial and Other Activities of the State, and certified as correct by the Deputy Auditor-General.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Balance-sheets of Commercial and Other Activities of the State.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 66.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to further amend the *Public Account Advances Act 1910*.

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Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

7. PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 66, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to further amend the *Public Account Advances Act 1910*.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Public Account Advances Act 1910'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. SESSIONAL ORDER RESCINDED.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order appointing the days and hours for this House to meet for the despatch of business be rescinded so far as it relates to the hour of meeting on Wednesday in each week, and that half-past Ten o'clock be the hour of meeting on that day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Acts and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 8th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

10. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1915-16.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915-16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Division No.	£	£
96. Victorian Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1915-16	...	1,773,811
97. „ „ Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c.	...	8,001
98. „ „ Construction Branch	...	2,765
99. „ „ State Coal Mines	...	124,539
		————— 1,909,116

And, after debate, the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

11. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1916, the sum of £3,501,460 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

12. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Sessional Acts Revision Act 1915’ and to correct certain Errors in the Consolidating Acts passed during the present Session and for other purposes*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to revoke as to Part the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land in the Parishes of Lockwood and Mandurang permanently reserved from Sale for Victorian Water Supply purposes*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘State Savings Bank Act 1915’*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—

Local Government Bill—Amendments of the Legislative Council—To be considered.

15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-two minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. II. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 91.

 WEDNESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Snowball—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. HEALTH ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. TRAMWAY BOARD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Sellers of Tobacco Cigars Cigarettes and Snuff*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Trained Nurses and to provide for their Registration and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

7. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendment be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes,*" and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggest that the Legislative Assembly amend the Bill as set forth in the annexed schedule.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said suggested amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Exchange of certain Lands in the Parish of Willaura County of Ripon and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at fifty-four minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 92.

THURSDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WOORNDOO, CARAMUT, CHATSWORTH, AND LAKE BOLAC DISTRICTS CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the Woorndoo, Caramut, Chatsworth, and Lake Bolac districts with the existing railway system by means of a railway; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Monday next be an additional sitting day, on which day the House shall meet at Four o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SESSIONAL ORDER RESCINDED.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order appointing the days and hours for this House to meet for the despatch of business be rescinded so far as it relates to the hour of meeting on Tuesday next, and that half-past Ten o'clock be the hour of meeting on that day.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for the remainder of the Session, so as to allow fresh business to be called on at any time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. McCutcheon (for Mr. Speaker)—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
7. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Friendly Societies—Thirty-seventh Annual Report on.—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1914, to which are appended Valuations of Societies, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.
8. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they still insist on their amendments in this Bill with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Order of the Day be discharged.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the said Bill be laid aside.

9. **TOBACCO SELLERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, lines 5-7, omit " and shall be deemed and taken to have come into operation on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifteen."

Add the following New Clause :—

2. A. Any provisions of the *Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890* inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive.

11. **INCOME TAX LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council suggesting amendments in this Bill having been read, the said suggested amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 5, omit this clause.

Add the following New Clause :—

2. A. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act no tax for any current year shall be payable before the first day of February in any year.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council to omit clause 5.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council to insert new clause A with the following amendment :—Omit " any " where it last occurs and insert " such."

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly, having considered the Message of the Legislative Council suggesting, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, that this House make certain amendments in such Bill, have made one of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council, and have made the other of the suggested amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

12. **PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 8, line 31, after " Service " insert " who have satisfied the Commissioner that they were prevented from enlisting by physical infirmity or by some other *bond fide* cause."

Mr. McLeod moved, That the amendment be disagreed with.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendment made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

13. **MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

14. **TRAMWAY BOARD BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

On the motion of Mr. Solly, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill :—

Clause 21, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :—

" (3) No contract entered into by the Board and any other party for the execution of any work shall be assigned or sub-let by such party in whole or in part except with the permission of the Board."

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 8 be postponed until after Nos. 9 to 11 inclusive.
16. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
17. **MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Hogan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

18. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 1, line 5, after "1915" insert "(No. 3)."
2. " line, 6 omit "*Amendment Act 1915.*"
3. Clause 2, line 14, after "traders" insert "dealing in foodstuffs or flowers."
4. " page 2, line 1, after "for" insert "such."
5. " " lines 37-9, omit "and such by-laws or any of them may be repealed by the Governor in Council by Order published in the *Government Gazette.*"
6. " " insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (2):—
" (2A) By-laws made under paragraphs (a) and (b) of sub-section (1) of this section shall provide that a child (as defined by the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*) shall not be employed as a street hawker or itinerant trader nor be permitted to manage or occupy a stand in any street road or public place."
7. " sub-clause (5), omit this sub-clause.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 and 2 disagreed with.

Amendments 3 and 4 agreed to.

Amendment 5 disagreed with.

Amendments 6 and 7 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

19. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same, including the amendment to omit clause 5 made by the Legislative Assembly on the suggestion of the Legislative Council, and the insertion of new clause A, being the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council as modified by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

20. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
21. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
 MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1915' of certain Sums and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 16th December, 1915. President.
22. **WHEAT MARKETING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Plain moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
23. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
 MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 16th December, 1915. President.
- MR. SPEAKER,
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to a certain Unexpended Balance under the 'Surplus Revenue Act 1905,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 16th December, 1915. President.
24. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 8 and Nos. 12 to 17 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
25. **BRUNSWICK MECHANICS' INSTITUTE AND FREE LIBRARY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker said—In my opinion this is a Private Bill.
 Mr. McLeod moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
26. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—The following Order of the Day, Government Business, was read and discharged :—
Constitution Act 1906 Amendment Bill—Second reading.
 Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

27. PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

28. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 21 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—

Melbourne General Market Land Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

And then the House, at forty-five minutes past Nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 93.

FRIDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
By Mr. McGregor—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (six Petitions).
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915.—Regulation prescribing Forms.—Forms A to W.—
Order in Council.
Inebriates Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Inebriates Act* 1915.—Order in Council.
Land Acts.—Particulars of a Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 131 of the *Land Act* 1901.
Police Offences Act 1915—
Regulations *re* Licensing of Race-courses.—Order in Council. [b40
Regulations *re* Vivisection, Licences repealed and Regulations substituted.—Order in Council.
Public Service Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Public Service Act* 1915.
4. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'River Murray Waters Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Health Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 16th December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Monday next

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Monday next.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-three minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until Monday next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 94.

MONDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. TRUSTS (WAR LOAN) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Trusts Acts and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
3. BORDER RAILWAYS COMMISSION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to the Payment of Fees and Travelling Expenses to the Victorian Members of the Royal Commission on Border Railways*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
4. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Mackinnon—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS PARK BILL.—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Hawthorn Tramways Trust to acquire certain Lands to be used as a Park and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. FOOTSCRAY TRAMWAYS BILL.—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Construction and Management of certain Tramways in the Municipal District of Footscray*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
8. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bayles reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 11 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—
Trusts (War Loan) Bill—Second reading.
Border Railways Commission Bill—Second reading.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 95.

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1914.—Part VIII.—Vital Statistics, &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 :—
Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1909.—The Chairman's Eighth Report and Statement of Accounts, for year ended 30th June, 1915.
3. HEALTH ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
 1. Clause 5, line 33, after "authorized" insert "in writing."
Add the following New Clause :—
 2. A. Section one hundred and seventy-eight of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word "district" where it last occurs in such section—
"If the patient removes to a district under the control of another council the medical practitioner continuing in charge of the case shall report the case to such other council."
 And the said amendments were read a second time.
Amendment 1 agreed to.
Amendment 2 disagreed with.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with the other of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
4. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS PARK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

5. **FOOTSCRAY TRAMWAYS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. **TRUSTS (WAR LOAN) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **BORDER RAILWAYS COMMISSION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after No. 9.
9. **RAILWAYS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS PARK BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive and No. 10 be postponed until after No. 11.

12. **STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
13. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 17th December, 1915. President.
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Municipal Endowment,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 17th December, 1915. President
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Brunswick Mechanics' Institute and Free Library,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 17th December, 1915. President.
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Public Account Advances Act 1910,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 17th December, 1915. President.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 6 be postponed until after No. 7.
15. **WHEAT MARKETING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bowser reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time.
 On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the House agreed to the following amendment in this Bill :—
 Clause 2, after line 15, insert the following interpretation :—" 'Sell' includes barter and exchange, and 'sale' has a corresponding interpretation."
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
16. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Health Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.
 Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
 Melbourne, 21st December, 1915. President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Payment of Fees and Travelling Expenses to the Victorian Members of the Royal Commission on Border Railways,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Trusts Acts and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Taxation by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia of Salaries Reimburse-ments and other Moneys paid by the State of Victoria,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

17. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make temporary Provision with respect to Tramways and Tramway Undertakings the Subject of Leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

18. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

WEDNESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1915.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 8, No. 10, and Nos. 12 to 15 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at eleven minutes past Twelve o'clock, adjourned until this day.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 96.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **MARNOO, ST. ARNAUD, NAVARRE, AND GLENORCHY DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.**—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the district lying between Marnoo, St. Arnaud, Navarre, and Glenorchy with the existing railway system by means of a railway or railways; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Forests Act 1915.—Report of the Department of State Forests for the year ended 30th June, 1915.
 - Fruit Act 1915.—Regulations in regard to Formation of Trusts.—Order in Council.
 - Income Tax Act 1915.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
4. **TRAMWAY BOARD BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
 1. Clause 3, after the definition of "Local authority" insert the following definition :—
" 'Minister' means the Commissioner of Public Works."
 2. Clause 6, at the end of the clause add "with the exception of the chairman who shall receive a salary at the rate of Five hundred pounds a year."
 3. Clause 9, at the end of the clause add the following words :—
"; or
(c) being or continuing a councillor of any municipality.
Notwithstanding anything in the Local Government Acts, membership of the Board shall not disqualify any person from being or continuing a councillor of any municipality."
 4. Clause 20, line 6, omit "One" and insert "Five."
 5. Clause 21, line 30, after "quantities" insert "or within an unreasonable time."
 6. Clause 29, line 44, after "officers" insert "auditors."
 7. Clause 30, line 17, omit "(if any)."
 8. " line 26, omit "(if any)."
 9. " line 41, omit "(if any)."
 10. Clause 38, sub-clause (3), at the end of the sub-clause add "and may arrange with any other tramway authority in regard to through fares and the issue of circular tickets."
 11. Clause 62, line 13, after "prejudice" insert "or affect."
 12. " line 13, omit "(if any)" and insert "as existing immediately prior to the commencement of this Act."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1 disagreed with.

Amendment 2—Mr. Lawson moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Solly moved, That the Council's amendment be agreed to with the following amendment :—

Omit the words "Five hundred" and insert the words "Three hundred and fifty."

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Snowball.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Mackey,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Clough,	
Mr. Hannah,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell,	
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. McPherson,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment 2, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment 3, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 4—Mr. Lawson moved, That this amendment be disagreed with, but that the following amendment be made in the clause :—In line 6, omit the words "One hundred" and insert the words "Two hundred and fifty."

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 4 disagreed with.

And, after debate—

Amendment 5 agreed to.

Amendment 6 disagreed with.

Amendment 7 agreed to, but the following consequential amendment made in the clause :—

In paragraph (a), line 16, omit the words "all the" and insert in lieu thereof the word "any."

Amendment 8 agreed to with the following consequential amendment :—Insert the words "any interests or rights" in place of the words omitted.

Amendment 9 agreed to, but the following consequential amendments made in the clause :—In paragraph (c), line 38, omit the word "all" in both places and insert in lieu thereof the word "any" in both places ; and in line 39 omit the words "(if any)."

Amendments 10 and 11 agreed to.

Amendment 12 agreed to with the following amendment :—Omit the word "as" from the words proposed to be inserted ; and the following consequential amendments have been made in the clause :—In line 13, after the word "prejudice" omit the word "the" and insert in place thereof the words "or affect any," and at the end of sub-section (2) of the clause add the following proviso :—"Provided that nothing in this Act shall be deemed to confer on or to recognise as existing in any one but the Board any estate interest right power authority or privilege which would not be conferred or recognised as existing if this Act had not passed."

Ordered that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with others, have agreed to others with amendments, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with consequential amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

5. COMMONWEALTH POWERS (WAR) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—

As Speaker of this Honorable House I consider myself to be the guardian of its rights and privileges, and I therefore make no apology for taking the unusual course of addressing the House on the nature and effect of the proposed Bill, which Honorable Members have in their hands, before the Honorable the Premier moves its second reading. I do this because the title of the Bill does not disclose its most important effect, although it recites its genesis and what it is designed to accomplish, *i.e.*, to alter the Federal Constitution and to endow the Federal Parliament with certain wide and great powers which at present it does not possess, but which it is most anxious to obtain.

The Federal Parliament took all the necessary proceedings in their own Parliament to alter their Constitution and acquire all the powers they ask us to grant (and others), and it only required a verdict of the people to effect the alteration they desired. The necessary Bills were passed by both Federal Houses, and His Excellency the Governor-General duly issued his writs for the holding of the statutory Referendum on the 11th day of this month, and large sums of money were spent in printing reasons why people should vote for or against the Referendum.

But for some reason which does not appear those proceedings were set aside by a Bill passed by the Federal Parliament about the middle of November, and the writs were withdrawn, and, as is recited in the Bill before us, on a discussion which arose at a financial meeting of the Premiers which was held in Melbourne in the month of November it was agreed between the said Premiers and the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth that the Premiers would bring forward in their respective Parliaments the matters specified in this Act, and that the Government of the Commonwealth would postpone during the currency of the war the taking of the vote of the electors for the alteration of the Constitution.

What that discussion was about or how it arose we do not know, but we do know that the Bills passed by the Federal Parliament were set aside and the writs for the taking of the Referendum were withdrawn by virtue of a Bill passed for that purpose. I am not aware where the Federal Government obtains the power to postpone the taking of the Referendum.

On the Bill before us we have the advice of two eminent legal authorities, who, while differing on other points, agree that if the Bill be passed by our Parliament it will effect an alteration of the Federal Constitution—and the Bill itself claims that it does this. But there is no doubt that in addition it would alter the Victorian Constitution, and that is the point which is not mentioned in the title to the Bill, and I ask the House if we should take such a serious step, at the request of the Prime Minister, when the result would be to deprive this Parliament of many of its most valued powers and jurisdictions; and if the Bill goes to a division in this House I shall require that it be passed by an absolute majority.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

Mr. Lawson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Local Government Act 1915 and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, do insist on one of their amendments in clause 1, and insist on the other amendment in the said clause with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

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| 1. Clause 1, line 5, after "1915" insert
"(No. 3)." | { Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by
Council, but with the following amendment:—
Omit "(3)" and insert "(2)." |
| 2. ,, line 6, omit " <i>Amendment</i>
<i>Act 1915.</i> " | { Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by
Council. |

Amendment 1—Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with this amendment, but agree to the same as now amended by the Legislative Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 2—Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with this amendment.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with one of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in clause 1 of such Bill, and have agreed to the other of the said amendments as now amended by the Legislative Council.

7. GEELONG HARBOR TRUST ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Angus, Mr. Bailey, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. A. F. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Clough, Mr. Farrer, Mr. Farthing, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Leckie, Mr. Livingston, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor,	Mr. H. McKenzie, Mr. M. K. McKenzie, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Membrey, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Pennington, Mr. Plain, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Rouget, Mr. Snowball. <i>Tellers.</i> Mr. J. Gray, Mr. Toutcher.	Mr. Bayles, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Cotter, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hannah, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Jewell, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Sinclair, Mr. Solly, Mr. Warde. <i>Tellers.</i> Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Webber.
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. COMMONWEALTH POWERS (WAR) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Clough,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Cotter,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Lemmon,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Webber.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Toucher.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Leckie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Bayles,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. Carlisle.

Mr. Speaker said—"The Bill not having received the votes of an absolute majority, the second reading has not been carried in accordance with the requirements of *The Constitution Act.*"

9. PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES BILL—ERROR REPORTED BY CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENTS.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced that he had received a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error had been discovered in this Bill :—

In clause 2, line 1 of the clause, after the words "At the end of" the words "paragraph (d) of" have been omitted.

On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the insertion of the words "paragraph (d) of" after the words "At the end of," in line 1 of clause 2.

Ordered—That the communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council, with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to confer certain Powers on the Government of Victoria in regard to the Marketing of the Wheat Harvest of the Season 1915-1916 and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Construction and Management of certain Tramways in the Municipal District of Footscray,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Hawthorn Tramways Trust to acquire certain Lands to be used as a Park and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Railways Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make temporary Provision with respect to Tramways and Tramway Undertakings the Subject of Leases granted by the Melbourne Tramways Trust to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited and to dissolve the said Trust and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly in such Bill, have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on certain amendments of the Legislative Council, and to certain of the consequential amendments of the Legislative Assembly on other amendments of the Legislative Council, have disagreed with one of the consequential amendments of the Legislative Assembly in clause 62, and have agreed to the other consequential amendment in the said clause with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

12. Clause 62, line 13, omit "(if any)" and insert "as existing immediately prior to the commencement of this Act."

Agreed to by the Assembly with the following amendment :—Omit "as" from the words proposed to be inserted ; and the following consequential amendments have been made in the clause :—In line 13, after "prejudice" omit "the" and insert in place thereof the words "or affect any," and at the end of sub-section (2) of the clause add the following proviso :—
"Provided that nothing in this Act shall be deemed to confer on or to recognise as existing in any one but the Board any estate interest right power authority or privilege which would not be conferred or recognised as existing if this Act had not passed.
Amendment of Assembly agreed to by Council, but with the following amendment :—Omit the words "or affect" and omit the proviso.

Mr. Lawson moved. That this House agree to the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit "or affect" from the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in line 13 of clause 62, and do not insist on their consequential amendment to add a proviso to sub-section (2) of the clause.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council on one of the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 62 of such Bill, and do not insist on the other consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the said clause.

12. GEELONG HARBOR TRUST ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

THURSDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1915.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until this day, at half-past One o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at thirty-nine minutes past Twelve o'clock, adjourned until this day.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 97.

THURSDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1915.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 67.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Sessional Acts Revision Act 1915 ’ and to correct certain Errors in the Consolidating Acts passed during the present Session and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to further amend the ‘ State Savings Bank Act 1915. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to revoke as to part the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land in the Parishes of Lockwood and Mandurang permanently reserved from Sale for Victorian Water Supply purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to provide for the Exchange of certain Lands in the Parish of Willaura County of Ripon and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to Sellers of Tobacco Cigars Cigarettes and Snuff.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Public Service Act 1915. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to the Imposition of Income Tax and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to provide for the Transfer out of the Assurance Fund under the ‘ Transfer of Land Act 1915 ’ of certain Sums and to establish in the Treasury certain Trust Funds 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 relating to a certain Unexpended Balance under the ‘ Surplus Revenue Act 1905. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ River Murray Waters Act 1915. ’* ”
- “ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to Municipal Endowment.* ”
- “ *An Act to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Brunswick Mechanics’ Institute and Free Library.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to the Payment of Fees and Travelling Expenses to the Victorian Members of the Royal Commission on Border Railways.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the Trusts Acts and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to the Taxation by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia of Salaries Reimbursements and other Moneys paid by the State of Victoria.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1915.

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the Notice of Motion, General Business.

4. RULING BY MR. SPEAKER.—Mr. Blackburn moved, pursuant to notice, That this House disagrees with the ruling of Mr. Speaker that the motion for the second reading of the Commonwealth Powers (War) Bill not having received the votes of an absolute majority of the whole number of Members of the Legislative Assembly has not been carried.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Elmslie,	
Mr. Hannah,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Lemmon,	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Carlisle,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Leckie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Mackey,	Mr. J. Gray.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it passed in the negative.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Public Account Advances Act 1910,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the correction of the said error by the insertion of the words "paragraph (d) of" after the words "At the end of," in line 1 of clause 2.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1915.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 18th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

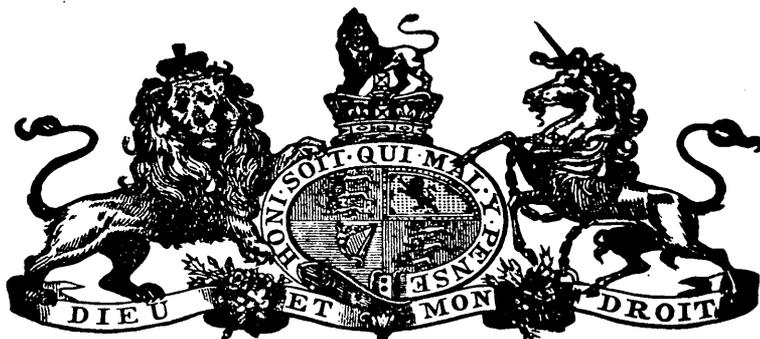
And then the House, at twelve minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 18th January next.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight^s Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the eighteenth day of January, 1916: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the eighth day of February, 1916.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this fourteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and in the sixth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1915.



1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 20th April, 1915.)

Mr. J. Cameron,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Elmslie,
Mr. Mackey,

Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Solly.



2.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Hannah,

Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Tunnecliffe



3.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Bayles,
Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Lemmon,
Mr. Mackey,

Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Outtrim,
Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Robertson.



4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Angus,
Mr. Bailey,

Mr. Jewell,
Mr. McGregor.



5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Bowser,
Mr. J. Cameron,
Mr. Farthing,
Mr. Hogan,

Mr. Keast,
Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball.



6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Oman,
Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Solly.

7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Keast,
Mr. McLeod,
Mr. McPherson,

Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

8.—VACCINATION.

(Appointed 28th April, 1915.)

Mr. J. Cameron,
Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. A. Gray,

Mr. Jewell,
Mr. Outtrim.

9.—CONSOLIDATION OF THE LAWS (JOINT).

(Appointed 20th May, 1915.)

Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Mackinnon,

Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball.

10.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT).

(Appointed 15th December, 1914.)

Mr. Barnes,
Mr. J. W. Billson,

Mr. Solly,
Mr. Toucher.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1915.

No. 1.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 3RD JUNE, 1915.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE, 1915.

No. 1.—*Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Bill*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything in the Licensing Acts—

- (a) where by or pursuant to any provisions of those Acts or by any licence "or special permit" heretofore or hereafter granted thereunder a time before the hour of nine o'clock in the morning or after the "hour of" half-past nine o'clock at night is prescribed as the earliest or latest time respectively at which liquor may be sold or disposed of in any licensed premises or club premises the said and all other provisions of those Acts and every such licence and special permit shall be read and construed and given effect as if for such earliest time there were substituted the said hour of nine o'clock and for such later time the said hour of half-past nine o'clock; and
- (b) the hours aforesaid shall not be extended under any powers contained in the Licensing Acts.—(*Mr. Murray.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or special permit," in lines 1 and 2 of paragraph (a), be omitted.—(*Mr. Bowser.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Campbell,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Lemmon,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Hannah.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Barnes,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. W. K. Smith,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Downward,	
Mr. Farthing,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Rogers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2—

Further amendment proposed—That after the words "hour of," in line 3 of paragraph (a), the word "six" be inserted.—(*Mr. Blackburn.*)

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Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 4.

Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. D. Smith.

Tellers.

Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. McGregor.

Noes, 50.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McLachlan,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Carlisle,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. W. K. Smith,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Lemmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1915.

No. 3.—*Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Bill*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything in the Licensing Acts—

- (a) where by or pursuant to any provisions of those Acts or by any licence or special permit heretofore or hereafter granted thereunder a time before the hour of nine o'clock in the morning or after the hour of half-past "nine" o'clock at night is prescribed as the earliest or latest time respectively at which liquor may be sold or disposed of in any licensed premises or club premises the said and all other provisions of those Acts and every such licence and special permit shall be read and construed and given effect as if for such earliest time there were substituted the said hour of nine o'clock and for such later time the said hour of half-past nine o'clock; and
- (b) the hours aforesaid shall not be extended under any powers contained in the Licensing Acts.—(*Mr. Murray.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the word "nine," in line 3 of paragraph (a), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "ten."—(*Mr. H. McKenzie.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McLachlan,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Clough,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Hannah.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Farrer,	
Mr. Farthing,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1915.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 24TH JUNE, 1915.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1915.

No. 1.—*Murray River Waters Bill*— Clause 1.This Act may be cited as the *River Murray Waters Act 1915*.—(Mr. Mackinnon.)Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.—
(Mr. McLachlan.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 2.

Tellers.

Mr. Farthing,
Mr. McLachlan.

Noes, 43.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Chatham,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. W. K. Smith,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	Tellers.
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1915.

No. 3.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 1ST JULY, 1915.

TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE, 1915.

No. 1.—*Murray River Waters Bill*—Clause 20.

Tolls shall not be prescribed demanded or received except towards the cost of lock-keeping and the maintenance of navigation works under this Act nor in respect of that portion of the limits defined by the Agreement, the navigability of which is not substantially improved or made permanent by works under this Act.—(*Mr. Mackinnon.*)

Question—That clause 20 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Keast.
Mr. McGregor,	

Noes, 18.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Hannah,	
Mr. Hogan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Lemmon,
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1915.

No. 4.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*Licensing (Rents and Fees Adjustment) Bill*—New Clause B.—(On re-committal.)

In the case of all licensed premises where by the operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* it can be shown that actual loss has occurred the licensee on application to the Licences Reduction Board may apply to have the amount of such loss assessed and this shall be paid to such licensee by way of compensation.—(Mr. Rogers.)

Question—That new clause B be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Jewell,	
Mr. McCutcheon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Webber.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. McPierson,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Downward,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. D. Smith.
Mr. Keast,	
Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Lemmon.

And so it passed, in the negative.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1915.

No. 5.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1915.

TUESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*Licensing (Rents and Fees Adjustment) Bill*—New Clause D.—(On recommittal.)

In the event of the decreased output of intoxicating liquor causing any employees at breweries and other places affected by this Act to be displaced from their employment each such employee shall be provided by the Government with other suitable employment until the end of the war at a wage not less than the amount they were in receipt of prior to their dismissal, or shall be paid as compensation a weekly sum equivalent to the amount such employee was receiving as a weekly wage at the time of his or her dismissal from employment for such time as the said employee is unemployed providing the amount so paid as compensation does not exceed a sum equal to his or her earnings during twenty-six weeks preceding the date of his or her dismissal.—(*Mr. Webber.*)

Question—That new clause D be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Jewell,	
Mr. Lemmon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Webber.

Noes, 29.

Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Chatham,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Keast,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McCutcheon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. H. McKenzie.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1915.

No. 2.—*Local Government Bill.*—Clause 2 as amended.

In addition to any other method of recovery provided by the *Local Government Act 1915* or any other Act any rates or other moneys owing to a municipality in respect of any property may as hereinafter provided be recovered in any court of petty sessions or any other court of competent jurisdiction if the same or portion thereof have been in arrear for at least the "five" years immediately preceding the commencement of proceedings.—(*Mr. Snowball.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "five," in line 4, be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "ten."—(*Mr. McLeod.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Leckie,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Lemmon,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Solly.
Mr. J. Gray,	
Mr. Hannah,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Keast,	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McLachlan,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. Rogers.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 6.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 21ST OCTOBER, 1915.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*Juries Acts Amendment Bill*—New clause A.

In section five of the *Juries Act* 1915 for the words "residing in Victoria having attained the age of twenty-one years and being a natural born or naturalized subject of the King or being an alien and having been domiciled in Victoria for ten years who being a householder is rated at an annual value of not less than Twenty pounds sterling shall save as herein excepted be qualified and liable to serve as a common juror" there shall be substituted the words "enrolled as an elector for the Legislative Assembly shall be qualified and liable to serve as a juror."—(*Mr. Blackburn.*)

Question—That new Clause A be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Cotter,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Jewell,	
Mr. McLachlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Elmslie,
Mr. D. Smith,	Mr. Lemmon.
Mr. Solly,	

Noes, 21.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Snowball.
Mr. Leckie,	
Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackinnon,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. M. K. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 7.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 25TH NOVEMBER, 1915.

TUESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*Supply—Estimates for 1915–16.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1915–16 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

SHERIFF.

DIVISION No. 46.

* * * * *

The sum of "£5,867."—(*Mr. Lawson.*)Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £1.—(*Mr. Hannah.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Cotter,	Mr. Warde,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Webber.
Mr. Hogan,	
Mr. Jewell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Elmslie,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Hannah.
Mr. Plain,	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Barnes,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. A. Gray,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. Mackinnon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Pennington.
Mr. H. McKenzie,	

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 8.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 17TH DECEMBER, 1915.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*Tramway Board Bill*—Clause 31.

* * * * *

(3) (a) All debts liabilities and obligations on the said first day of July or earlier termination of the leases aforesaid then already incurred in respect of or attaching to the said tramways or tramway undertakings or the Royal Park tramway or tramway undertaking shall be discharged paid and satisfied by the said company.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in this sub-section—

(i) the Board "shall" on the termination on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and sixteen of the leases aforesaid or upon any earlier termination thereof take over any existing contract entered into *bonâ fide* and in the ordinary course of business by the said company before the first day of October One thousand nine hundred and fifteen for supplies for any period not extending beyond the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

* * * * *

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "shall," in line 1 of sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (b) of sub-section (3), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "may."—
(Mr. McPherson.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Campbell,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Farthing,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Tunnecliffe.
Mr. Johnstone,	
Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Leckie,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Livingston,	Mr. J. Gray.

Noes, 16.

Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Plain,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. D. Smith,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Hogan,	
Mr. Jewell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. Lemmon,
Mr. McPherson,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 41.

(1) Subject to the approval of the Governor in Council the Board may make rescind revoke amend or vary by-laws for or with respect to—

* * * * *

(d) prescribing fares or charges which may be demanded or taken by the Board from passengers and conditions upon which transfers may be permitted;

(e) charges which may be demanded or taken in respect of the carriage of goods animals or things;

* * * * *

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “but so that no such charge or fare shall be demanded or taken from any Member of either House of Parliament” be added to paragraph (d) of sub-section (1).—(Mr. Lemmon.)

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.		Noes, 18.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Mitchell,	Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Rouget,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. A. Gray,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Solly.	Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. D. Smith.
Mr. Elmslie,		Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Farthing,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. Leckie.

The Chairman of Committees said—“The result of the division being a tie, it is necessary for me to give my casting vote. As there will be other opportunities, namely, on the report and after the third reading, to test the question again, I record my vote with the Noes.”

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1915.

No. 3.—*Murray River Waters Bill* (No. 2).—New Clause B.

Notwithstanding clause six of the Agreement three commissioners shall be a quorum and the concurrence of three commissioners shall be necessary for the transaction of the business of the Commission.—(Mr. J. W. Billson.)

Question—That new clause B be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Plain,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. M. K. McKenzie,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Chatham,	Mr. Solly,	Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Elmslie,		Mr. Farrer,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Hannah,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. A. Gray,	Mr. Oman,
Mr. Jewell,		Mr. Hutchinson,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,	Mr. Johnstone,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. Keast,	Mr. Toutcher.
		Mr. Lawson,	
		Mr. Leckie,	
		Mr. Livingston,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray,
		Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Pennington.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 9.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 23RD DECEMBER, 1915.

TUESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1915.

No. 1.—*State Salaries (Commonwealth Taxation) Bill*—Clause 4.This Act shall not apply to the salary of the Governor.—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Question—That clause 4 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Angus,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. Menzies,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Rouget,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Toutcher.
Mr. Livingston,	
Mr. McCutcheon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. H. McKenzie,	Mr. J. Gray.

Noes, 16.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Sinclair,
Mr. Blackburn,	Mr. Solly,
Mr. Clough,	Mr. Tunnecliffe,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Warde.
Mr. Hannah,	
Mr. Hogan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lemmon,	Mr. Jewell,
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—*Wheat Marketing Bill*.—New Clause A.

(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any scheme referred to therein—

(a) the Minister shall not sell or arrange for the sale of wheat to any miller in Victoria unless such miller agrees with the Minister that no flour gristed from such wheat shall be sold by the said miller (whether by wholesale or retail) in Victoria at a price or prices higher than such price or prices as is or are prescribed ;

(b) no person shall sell (whether by wholesale or retail) at a price or prices higher than such price or prices as is or are prescribed bread made in whole or in part from flour gristed from wheat sold by or through the Minister pursuant to this Act.

(2) Any person being a miller who commits a breach of any such agreement and any person who sells bread in contravention of this section shall be liable to a penalty of not more than One hundred pounds which may at the option of the Attorney-General be recovered either in a court of petty sessions or by action in the Supreme Court.—(*Mr. Elmslie.*)

Question—That new clause A be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Angus,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Snowball,	Mr. Bayles,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Solly,	Mr. A. A. Billson,	Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Warde.	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. McLachlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. J. Cameron,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Downward,	Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Rouget,
		Mr. Hutchinson,	Mr. Toucher.
		Mr. Johnstone,	
		Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Livingston,	
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. Carlisle,
		Mr. McCutcheon,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—New Clause B.

The maximum commission to be charged by all Government agents shall not exceed Twopence halfpenny per bushel.—(*Mr. Plain.*)

Question—That new clause B be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 21.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Plain,	Mr. Angus,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. H. McKenzie,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Hogan,	Mr. Solly.	Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Jewell,		Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Lemmon,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Snowball.
Mr. Pennington,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. Hutchinson,	
		Mr. Johnstone,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lawson,	
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Carlisle,
		Mr. Mackinnon,	Mr. J. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—New Clause C.

Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any scheme referred to therein—

- (1) no miller shall sell for consumption in Victoria flour ground from wheat sold by the Minister or by any person authorized by him at a higher price than the price at which flour is sold f.o.b. for export from Victoria;
- (2) any miller guilty of a contravention of this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five hundred pounds which may at the option of the Attorney-General be recovered either in a court of petty sessions or by action in the Supreme Court.—(*Mr. Hogan.*)

Question—That new clause C be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.		Noes, 20.	
Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Angus,	Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Elmslie,	Mr. Sinclair,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. McCutcheon,
Mr. Hannah,	Mr. Solly.	Mr. A. F. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Hogan,		Mr. J. Cameron,	Mr. Membrey,
Mr. Jewell,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Carlisle,	Mr. Mitchell,
Mr. Lemmon,		Mr. Downward,	Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. McLachlan,	Mr. J. W. Billson,	Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Pennington.
Mr. Plain,	Mr. Webber.	Mr. Hutchinson,	
		Mr. Johnstone,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lawson,	Mr. J. Gray,
		Mr. Livingston,	Mr. H. McKenzie.

And so it passed in the negative.

