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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1907.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the twenty-first day of June, 1907, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. 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.

I, THE Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia do by this my Proclamation fix Tuesday, the ninth day of July, 1907, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria for the despatch of business, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, 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 twenty-first day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

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JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

His Honour Mr. Justice Hood and His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen, Commissioners from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor appointed to open the Parliament, having been introduced to the Council Chamber by the Usher, His Honour Mr. Justice Hood desired the Usher to request the presence of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to hear the Commission read for the commencement and holding of this present Session of the Parliament.

The Members of the Legislative Assembly having presented themselves, His Honour Mr. Justice Hood, said—

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

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, not thinking fit to be present in person this day, has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to issue under the Seal of the State constituting us his Commissioners to do in his name all that is necessary to be performed in this Parliament. This will more fully appear from the Letters Patent, which will now be read.

Then the said Letters Patent were read as follow, viz :-

EDWARD, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India:

WHEREAS by Proclamation made the twenty-first day of June ultimo, 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, (600 copies.)

and Lieutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia. Tues lay, the ninth day of July instant, was fixed as the time for the commencement and solving of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, at Twelve of the clock at moon in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said Sir John Madden cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: Now know ye that We, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved, His Honour Joseph Henry Hood and His Honour Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, Justices of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto you the said Joseph Henry Hood and Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, or either of you, full power in Our name to begin and hold the said Session of Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said Sir John Madden, shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it may concern to meet Our said Parliament, and to the said Joseph Henry Hood and Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, or either of them, that they diligently attend in the premises and form aforesaid. In testimony whereof We have caused the Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

Witness Our trusty and well-beloved 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, at Melbourne, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of Our reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 324, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C. Morrison.

Then His Honour Mr. Justice Hood said-

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

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

The Members of the Legislative Assembly withdrew. His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen withdrew.

2. Commission to Administer Oath to Members.—His Honour Mr. Justice Hood, Commissioner from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to administer the oath prescribed by the twenty-eighth section of the Act No. 1075, then handed his Commission to the Clerk, and the same was read as follows:—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Sain: 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.

To Joseph Henry Hood, Esquire, Judge of Our Supreme Court in Our said State 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 of the said State, do by these presents command and authorize you to proceed to the State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, on Tuesday, the ninth day of July instant, at Twelve of the clock at noon, then and there to administer the said Oath to the several Members of the said Legislative Council.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this second day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

(L.s.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents. Book 24, page 324, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C. MORRISON.

3. Returns to Writs.—The Clerk announced that he had received a return to a writ issued by te President since the Prorogation for the election of a Member to serve for the Wellington Province, in the place of the Honorable Sir Henry Cuthbert, K.C.M.G., K.C., deceased; and by the indorsement on such writ it appeared that Frederick Brawn, of Ballarat, in the State of Victoria, grazier, had been duly elected in pursuance thereof; also returns to writs issued by the President for the election of Members to serve for the undermentioned Provinces, in the places of Members retiring by rotation, and by the indorsements on such writs it appeared that the following Members had been returned for the several Electoral Provinces set opposite their respective names, viz.:—

Richard Hartley Smith Abbott, of Bendigo, storekeeper and farmer, for the Northern Province; James Drysdale Brown, of South Yarra, Melbourne, barrister-at-law, for the Nelson Province;

John Mark Davies for the Melbourne Province;

William Haslam Edgar for the Melbourne West Province;

William John Evans for the Melbourne North Province;

Nicholas FitzGerald for the Southern Province;

Frederick Hagelthorn, of Horsham, auctioneer, for the North-Western Province;

Alfred Hicks, Pegleg-road, Eaglehawk, grocer, for the Bendigo Province;

Willis Little, of Benalla, grazier, for the North-Eastern Province;

Thomas Luxton for the Melbourne South Province;

Duncan Elphinstone McBryde, Esquire, of North-road, Brighton, land-owner, for the South-Eastern Province;

John Young McDonald, of Ballarat, mining investor, for the Wellington Province;

Adam McLellan, of 83 Lord-street, Richmond, butcher, for the Melbourne East Province;

Edward Miller for the East Yarra Province;

William Pearson, of Kilmany Park, grazier, for the Gippsland Province;

Edward James White, of Hamilton, grazier, for the Western Province; and

Sir Henry John Wrixon, of Kew, Melbourne, barrister-at-law, for the South-Western Province.

- 4. Swearing-in of Members.—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, F. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evaus, N. FitzGerald, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, T. Luxton, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, E. Miller, W. Pearson, E. J. White, and Sir H. J. Wrixon, having severally approached the Table, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Dcclaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Bendigo and Strathfieldsaye, and are known as—
 - 'Mandalay,' Rowan-street; 'Tacsonia,' Rowan-street; house property, Wattle-street, city of Bendigo.

'Edinburgh Tannery,' parish of Mandurang; 'Hooligan,' land, parish of Eppalock, shire of Strathfieldsave.

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

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

"RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, FREDERICK BRAWN do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballaarat, and are known as three brick cottages in Mill-street, Ballaarat.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballaarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty-seven pounds.
- "And I further deciare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, James DRYSDALE Brown, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and thirty-one pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Coburg, and are known as part of Crown portion One hundred and forty-three at Coburg, Parish of Jika Jika, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the

municipal district of Coburg are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two

hundred and thirty-one pounds.

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

"J. DRYSDALE BROWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, JOHN MARK DAVIES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotment fifty-six, and part of Crown allotment fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing one hundred and forty-nine acres or thereabouts.

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

One hundred and thirty-five pounds.

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

"JNO. M. DAVIES."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as land and house, No. 1 Railway Road, Malvern.

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

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

"WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM JOHN EVANS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 32 Withers-street; of Port Melbourne, and known as 143 Cruickshank-street; and of Lilydale, known as Blocks Nos. 25 and 26, Mullum Mullum-road, Ringwood.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty-three pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Port Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Twenty-four pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Lilydale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Twentytwo pounds.

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

"W. J. EVANS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as 'Moira,' Alma-road.

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

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

"N. FITZGERALD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, FREDERICK HAGELTHORN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of upwards of Ope hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Horsham, and are known as—house and land, Pynsent-street, Horsham; land and office, Wilson-street, Horsham; shop, Wilson-street, Horsham; sale-yards, Hamilton-street and O'Callaghan's parade, Horsham; dwelling and stables, McPherson-street, Horsham.

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

One hundred and twenty-one pounds.

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

"FREDERICK HAGELTHORN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Alfred Hicks, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Eaglehawk, and are known as shops and dwellings situate in High-street.

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

and thirty pounds.

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

"ALFRED HICKS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Willis Little, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Benalla, and are known as allotments 1 to 4, section H, Benalla, one hundred and ninety-three acres, Fifty-seven pounds; allotments 1 and 2, section I, Benalla, three hundred and twenty-seven acres, Eighty-one pounds; allotment 3, section I, Benalla, sixty-five acres, Sixteen pounds; allotment 24ab, Benalla, three hundred and twenty acres, Fifty pounds; allotments 1a, 1b, 46b, 47a, Kilfeera, seven hundred and sixty-six acres, One hundred and fifty-three pounds; allotments 33, 46a, Kilfeera, two hundred and ninety-nine acres, Sixty-one pounds.

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

and eighteen pounds.

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

"WILLIS LITTLE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Thomas Luxton, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seventy-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Grandview,' 5 Wynnstay-road, Armadale; 'Craigmill,' 15 Mathoura-road, Toorak.

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

One hundred and seventy-six pounds.

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

"THOS. LUXTON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Duncan Elphinstone McBryde, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Kamesburgh,' containing ten acres or thereabouts, being part of Dendy's special survey at Brighton, and situate at the angle of North-road and Cochrane-street, and purchased by me for the sum of Twelve thousand two hundred pounds.

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

Three hundred and eighty pounds.

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

"D. E. McBRYDE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John Young McDonald, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and sixty-nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat West, and are known as the 'Edinburgh Buildings.'

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

Two hundred and sixty-nine pounds.

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

"J. Y. McDONALD."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Adam McLellan, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Richmond, and are known as land and buildings, corner of Lord-street and Boyd-street, Richmond.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Richmond are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty-eight pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"ADAM McLELLAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as 'Glyn,' Kooyong-road.

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

One hundred pounds,

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

"EDWARD MILLER."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as 'Kilmany Park,' Sale.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and eighty-eight pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts. I, Edward James White, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Dundas and Borough of Hamilton, and are known as 'Waratah,' being part of subdivision of the Kenilworth Estate, parish of Gatum Gatum, county of Dundas, containing 1,786½ acres. In the Borough of Hamilton is my house and allotment fronting Clarendon-street; an allotment fronting Gray-street; and an allotment at back of Hospital.

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

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

"E. J. WHITE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Henry John Wrixon, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Braybrook, and are known as 'Rockbank,' parish of Derrimut.

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

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

"H. J. WRIXON."

His Honour Mr. Justice Hood attested the Oath Roll, and then withdrew.

- 5. Declarations of Members.—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, J. Balfour, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, Dr. W. H. Embling, Walter S. Manifold, D. Melville, W. Pitt, R. B. Rees, and A. O. Sachse severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, John George Aikman, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as the Melbourne Coffee Palace, 214 to 218 Bourke-street.
 - "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds.
 - "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"J. G. AIKMAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, James Baltrour, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as part of Crown portion 18, parish of Prahran.

- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and six pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"JAMES BALFOUR."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, William Cain, of Anderson-street, South Yarra, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as part of Crown portions nine and ten, parish of South Melbourne, at South Yarra, at the junction of Anderson-street and Clow-street, on which is erected my dwelling-house, and also of freehold vacant land in Anderson-street, adjoining my said residence.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and seventy-five pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"WILLIAM CAIN." .

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, James Callender Campbell, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Myrtle Grove,' situate in New-street and North-road, town of Brighton, containing seven and one-half acres or thereabouts, on which is erected a two-storied brick house, containing sixteen rooms; also an allotment of land situate at Elwood-street, Brighton.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brighton are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and ninety-five pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"JAS. C. CAMPBELL."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as 'Elmwood,' Chapel-street, St. Kilda.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"W. H. EMBLING."

- "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Walter Synnot Manifold, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment: and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Warrambool, and are known as part of portion 24, parish of Mepunga, county of Heytesbury, containing one hundred and fifty-two acres.
- "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Sixty pounds.
- "And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Donald Melville, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety-eight (£98) pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Brunswick, Pyalong, and McIvor, and are known as—

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

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-three (£53) pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds, and that within the municipal district of McIvor at Fifteen pounds.

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

returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

"D. MELVILLE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, William Pitt, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as land, Trenery-crescent, Collingwood.

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

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

"WILLIAM PITT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendments Acts, I, RICHARD BLOOMFIELD REES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Swan Hill, and are known as shop and dwelling properties, situate in Campbell-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Swan Hill are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of above One hundred pounds per annum.

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

"R. BLOOMFIELD REES."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Marilla,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.

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

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

"A. O. SACHSE."

6. Election of President.—The clerk announced that the time had arrived for proceeding to the election of a President of the Council.

The Honorable N. FitzGerald, addressing the Clerk, proposed to the Council for their President the Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon; and moved, That the Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon do take the Chair of the Council as President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable J. Balfour.

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- The Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon, addressing the Clerk, expressed the high sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the Council.
- The Council then unanimously calling the Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by the Honorable N. FitzGerald and the Honorable J. Balfour, and conducted to the Chair; and, standing on the daïs, he returned his acknowledgments to the Council for the great honour that had been conferred upon him, and thereupon he took the Chair of the President.
- Then the Honorables J. M. Davies, and D. Melville congratulated the Honorable the President.
- The Honorable J. M. Davies announced that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor would be pleased to receive the Honorable the President-elect at twenty minutes past one o'clock to-morrow in the Library of the State Parliament House.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until half-past one o'clock to-morrow.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 2.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair.
- 2. Approach of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The approach of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I have called you together in order that I may obtain your advice and assistance regarding certain matters of importance.

I am glad to be able to congratulate you upon the satisfactory condition of the finances of the State. The Treasury accounts for the year which closed on the 30th June show a substantial surplus. There is also abundant evidence of prosperity amongst all classes of the community.

The Four per cent. loan of £4,000,000 which fell due on the 1st instant, has been satisfactorily met. The liability of the State on this account has been reduced by no less a sum than £500,000, and the remainder of the debt has been provided for by the issue of new securities at 3½ per cent.; about £2,800,000 being taken up in Melbourne, and the balance of about £700,000 in London. By this transaction a very considerable annual saving in interest has been effected, and, owing to the large amount subscribed locally, the expenses of flotation have been reduced to a minimum. Another gratifying result is that, as regards the greater part of the converted portion of the loan, the bonds of the State are now held by the people of the State, and the interest thereon will in future be paid in Melbourne instead of in London. In addition to the foregoing, the accumulated deficit has been reduced by the payment out of the Surplus Revenue of a sum of £514,000, so that during the year the indebtedness of the State has been diminished by no less a sum than £1,014,000.

Arrangements have also been made to meet a local loan of £1,000,000 falling due in October; and nearly the whole of the London loan of £2,000,000 falling due in April, 1908, has been already provided for.

My Advisers have obtained a revision of the terms of the Agreement under which the London and Westminster Bank acts for the State in financial transactions. The revised terms will result

in a large saving to the State.

A Conference of Premiers and Ministers of the States and the Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth was recently held in Brisbane, when further consideration was given to the important question of the financial relations between the Commonwealth and the States. Other subjects of common interest were also discussed. The record of the Proceedings and the Resolutions of the Conference will be laid before you.

The question of the fuller utilization, on equitable terms, of the waters of the River Murray has been further considered by the Governments of the three States interested, viz., New South Wales, South Australia, and Victoria; and a Bill dealing comprehensively with the whole matter has been completed and is now ready for submission to the respective Parliaments of those States.

My Advisers intend to recommend to you a policy of judicious railway construction, with the object of settling the people on the lands of the State and of further opening up the country, so as to admit of the easier transport to market of timber and produce. The necessity for this is apparent, particularly in the Eastern Gippsland District.

A measure will be submitted to you to enable large areas of land in the Mallee District to be

made available for settlement, in conjunction with land on the Murray from tages.

Bills are to be introduced to authorize the acquisition and development of large areas of lands in the Western District for the purposes of closer settlement and small holdings. These measures will provide for the acquisition of land to an extent of about 1,000,000 acres; for the construction of railways; and for the rating of all the land within the area to be served but not acquired for settlement.

It is proposed to allot to the Department of Mines a sum of £50,000 for the purpose of extending the operations of boring for gold and coal in suitable localities; for granting further assistance to pioneer prospecting work; for the provision of additional improved drills and batteries;

and generally for assisting the development of the mineral resources of the State.

An amending Mines Bill to remedy defects in the existing law, and to give increased power for securing the adoption in all mines of proper conditions of health and safety, will also be laid before you. This measure will also deal with the question of tributing; the disposal of sludge and debris from dredging and mining operations; the prevention of injury to properly by the silting up of rivers and water-courses; and other necessary amendments in the existing law.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Estimates of Expenditure, which will be laid before you, while framed with a due regard to economy, 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:

The Licences Reduction Board provided for in the Licensing Act has been appointed, and is

now engaged in the discharge of the important duties committed to it by Parliament.

My Advisers have secured the services of a gentleman of wide experience in America to act as Chairman of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. He will assume the duties of his office at an early date.

The water supply works now in course of construction are being proceeded with as rapidly

as possible, and other works of an urgent character will be undertaken without delay.

A measure will be submitted for your consideration dealing with the care, management, and maintenance of levees by municipalities, and for the collection of rates to provide for the necessary expenditure.

It is intended to submit to you a Bill to amend the law relating to Grazing Area Leases, so as to give relief from the provisions of the existing law and to afford greater facilities for settlement. By the establishing of a system of Agricultural High Schools in suitable centres, facilities

By the establishing of a system of Agricultural High Schools in suitable centres, facilities are being afforded to many young persons to acquire valuable practical knowledge in farming and allied rural pursuits.

A Bill codifying the Criminal Law has been prepared for your consideration; also a measure for the imposition of indeterminate sentences in certain cases, and a Bill to amend the Police

Offences Act, by giving larger powers for dealing with vagrancy and criminals.

A measure for the reclassification of shires will be laid before you; and, while the municipal subsidy will be fixed at £100,000, a Bill will also be submitted dealing with the construction and maintenance of main roads.

You will be asked to consider a Forests Bill, providing for the re-organization of the Forests Department, giving it a more efficient control over the timber areas of the State, providing for reafforesting and replanting where necessary, and the training of the Forests staff. Provision will also be made for excising from the timber reserves, within a stated period, lands suitable for settlement and permanently reserving a larger area for forest purposes.

My Advisers, after having given careful consideration to representations made to them for the use (with a conscience clause for teachers and scholars) of Scripture Lessons, Prayers, and Hymns in State Schools, have prepared a measure authorizing the taking of a Referendum on the subject, with the view of ascertaining with certainty the wishes of the people of the State.

A Bill providing for the increase of the maximum amount paid to Old-age Pensioners from

8s. to 10s. per week has been prepared for your consideration.

You will also be asked to consider a Bill to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, in which

provision will be made for extending the Wages Board system.

A Workmen's Compensation Bill will be submitted to you providing for the payment of compensation to a workman for personal injury by accident arising out of or in course of his employment.

A Bill consolidating the numerous Acts amending the Constitution Act has been prepared and will be laid before you; also measures providing for amendments in the Infant Life Protection Act; for the registration and regulation of motor cars; for amending the law relating to friendly societies; for an extension of the system of voting by post; and for other matters.

I confidently commit to you the interests of the country, and I trust that your labours may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the continued prosperity and happiness of the people.

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

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

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

4. Declarations of Members.—The Honorables E. H. Austin, T. C. Harwood, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as herunder set forth: -

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, EDWIN HENRY AUSTIN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ararat, and are known as 'Colvinsby,' Dobie.

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

value of Three hundred and fifty-seven pounds.

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

"EDWIN H. AUSTIN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, THOMAS CHARLES HARWOOD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Newtown and Chilwell and Geelong, and are respectively known as 'Hawthorn,' Skene-street, Newtown, Geelong, and number 87 Yarra-street, Geelong.

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

of Fifty pounds.

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

"THOS. C. HARWOOD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Thomas HENRY PAYNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as 'Leura,' Toorak, being Crown portion 30, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the

municipal district of Prahran arc rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Nine

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"T. H. PAYNE."

"In compliance with the provisious of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts I, JOSEPH STERNBERG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shires of Deakin and Echuca, and are known as—firstly, Crown allotments 91, 92, 93, and 133, parish of Kyabram, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; secondly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; thirdly, Crown allotments 4 and 5, section 1A, township and parish of Rochester, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1190, fol. 237802; fourthly, part of Crown allotment 3, section 3A, township of Rochester, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1828, fol. 365402, and which land is situated in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca.

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

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

returned a Member of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,

It is exceedingly gratifying for me to learn that the Legislative Council has seen fit to again choose you for its President. As a representative who has been for over forty years an ornament of Parliament, and a synonym for temperate wisdom, your re-appointment reflects like qualities in the Legislative Council, and assures the State of the appropriate dignity and patriotic earnestness of the Council's legislative deliberations during this Parliament.

JOHN MADDEN.

- 6. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—The President announced that he had received from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor the following Commission:—
 - By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, and Licutenant-Governor of the said State and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honorable Sir Henry John Wrixon, K.C.M.G., K.C., President of the Legislative Council of the State 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 aforesaid, do by these presents command and authorize you from time to time, in the State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Council as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Council.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this ninth day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

JNO. M. DAVIES.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 24, page 325, this ninth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

G. C. Morrison.

7. THE JUBILEE OF RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT IN VICTORIA.—The President announced that he had received the following letter from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor:—

State Government House, Melbourne, 18th February, 1907.

SIR

I have the honour, by direction of the Governor, to forward herewith the copy of a despatch received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying to both Houses of Parliament His Majesty's sincere thanks for their expressions of loyalty and affection contained in the joint Address passed on the occasion of the Parliamentary Jubilee.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

VICTOR NELSON HOOD,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable

The President of the Legislative Council, Victoria.

Copy. Victoria. No. 3.

Downing-street, 10th January, 1907.

SIR

I have the honour to inform you that I duly laid before His Majesty the Address from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, which was forwarded in your despatch "General" of the 24th November last.

2. His Majesty has been pleased to receive the Address very graciously, and has commanded me to request that you will convey to both Houses his sincere thanks for their expressions of loyalty and affection, and add that, as He has already said in the message delivered by you, He is sure that that loyalty and affection will not diminish in years to come, but, if it is possible, increase with the growing influence and happiness of Victoria.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

(Signed) ELGIN.

Governor

The Honorable Sir R. Talbot, K.C.B., &c., &c., &c.

- 8. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes, was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. DECEASE OF MEMBER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this to place on record its deep sense of the loss which it has sustained through the death of the Honorable Sir Henry Cuthbert, K.C.M.G., K.C. The high character which distinguished him as a Minister of the Crown and Member of Parliament during the whole of his long and useful political career, his devoted labours in Parliament and in the Ministerial offices he filled, and the valuable services rendered by him to this State caused him to be regarded by all classes of the community with honour and respect. His death is most deeply deplored, by none more than by this Council, whose deliberations were so greatly aided by his long experience and matured wisdom.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES. - The Honorable J. M. Davies, moved, by leave, That the Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald be Chairman of Committees of the Council.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon the Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald was congratulated by the Honorable the President on his again securing the confidence of Honorable Members, and then the Honorable Nicholus FitzGerald returned his thanks for his re-election to the office of Chairman of Committees.

11. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Fortieth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st April, 1905, to 30th November, 1906.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906—

Part I.—Blue Book. Part II.—Finance.

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:-

Addition to the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

Amendments of, and additions to, the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

Bank Liabilities and Assets-

Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1906. Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1907.

Boilers Inspection Act 1906.—Regulations for the inspection and test of boilers.

Council of Legal Education.—Rules for the Admission of Barristers and Solicitors.—The twenty-sixth day of April, 1907.

Fisheries Act 1890-

Notice of Proclamation.—Mouth of the Albert River.

Notice of Proclamation.—Netting in Inland Waters.

Libraries Act 1890.—Public Library, Museums and National Gallery of Victoria.—Rules and Regulations.

Lotteries Gaming and Betting Act 1906.—Licensing of Race-courses.—Regulations.

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1906.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for year ending 31st December, 1906.

Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1905.—Regulation 3 (Section 12).—Licence and Receipt Forms.

Mines Act 1904.—List of suspensions granted during 1906.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations-

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Public Instruction.

Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary. Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Works. Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Classification of General Division.—Pilot and Harbor Master.

Amendment of Regulations.—Section 139.

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Lands and Survey.

Health Acts.—Pure Food Act 1905.—

Regulations as to infants' food, bread, flour, fruit, preservative substances, vegetables, oils, spices, and other articles of food, colouring matter, and drugs.

Regulations exempting packages of articles of food from certain labelling provisions of the

Pure Food Act 1905, and allowing sale by approximate weight or measure.

Regulations exempting packages of articles of food from certain provisions of the Pure Food Act 1905, relating to labelling.

Regulations prescribing methods for the analysis of milk, cream, and malt extract. Regulation relating to the use of harmless colouring matter in certain articles of food.

Regulations under the Small Improved Holdings Act 1906.

Regulations respecting registration of money lenders.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Chief Secretary, on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1906.

Report of the Country Fire Brigades Board for the year ended 31st December, 1906, together

with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne, from 31st July, 1905, to 31st

July, 1906; together with two Appendices, containing—A.—Amendment of Statutes and Regulations made during the year; B.—Statement of Accounts for the year 1905.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria for 1906, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Financial year 1905-6.

Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the Electric Light and Power Act 1896 for the year 1906.

Rules and Regulatious under the Children's Court Act 1906 (No. 2058).

Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria.
Rules under Division VII. of the Companies Act 1896, Eleventh Schedule.—Return by

Prothonotary of Business of Court.

Twenty-eighth Annual Report on Friendly Societies.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1905, to which are appended the Valuations, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.

Water Act 1905 .- Licences to divert water from any river, creek, stream, or water-course, lake, lagoon, swamp, or marsh other than those flowing through, situate upon, or bounded by Crown lands or of which the bed and banks are not vested in the Crown.

.12. Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables F. Hagelthorn, W. L. Baillieu, F. Brawn, J. C. Campbell, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, and T. H. Payne.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn presented the Address which had been agreed to by the Committee, and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

To His Excellency 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.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY-

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

The Honorable F. Hagelthorn moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood 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.

13. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 10th July, 1907.

14. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davics, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed, and, by leave was, after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

15. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past four o'clock. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE II. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
- 2. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. Balfour, N. FitzGerald, T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
- 3. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, J. Y. McDonald, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
- 4. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. D. Brown, Dr. W. H. Embling, D. Melville, and T. H. Payne be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
- 5. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, J. C. Campbell, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, and A. O. Sachse be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
- 6. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, F. Brawn, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, A. McLellan, W. Pearson, and R. B. Rees be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
- 7. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the hour of closing at polling for Legislative Council Elections.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-Consideration of Report of Committee.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. T. C. Harwood).
- 2. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10th JULY, 1907

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 1. Real Property Bill—[28].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 1. Companies Bill—[3].

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No. 3.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Declaration of Member.—The Honorable W. L. Baillieu delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—
 - "In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, William Lawrence Baillieu, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Melbourne and Boroondara, and are known as—
 - "Firstly, all that piece of land having a frontage of fifty-one feet and eight inches to Swanston-street, Melbourne, by a depth of one hundred and twelve feet along Latrobe-street, and being Crown allotments 32 and 33, section 44, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, and more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 2043, folio 408547.
 - "Secondly, all that piece of land containing two acres three roods and twenty-three perches, being part of Crown portion 129, parish of Boroondara, county of Bourke, and being the land more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 2625, folio 534945.
 - "And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Boroondara are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and seventy pounds.

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

"W. L. BAILLIEU."

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

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

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million and twenty-five thousand seven hunared and forty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th July, 1907.

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4. Committee of Elections and Qualifications. The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—

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

The Honorable John George Aikman,

The Honorable James Balfour,

The Honorable William Cain,

The Honorable Dr. William Henry Embling, The Honorable Thomas Charles Harwood,

The Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold, and

The Honorable Donald Melville,

to be Members of a Committee to be called "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications." Given under my hand this sixteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seven.

H. J. WRIXON,

President of the Legislative Council.

5. Police Offences Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to amend the Police Offences Acts was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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- 6. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, a Bill to amend the Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906 was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. Brim Registers Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, a Bill to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 8. EVIDENCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Medical Evidence in civil cases was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 9. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines and Water Supply to the Honorable D. McLeod, M.P., Minister of Mines and Forests for Victoria, including Statistics, Reports on Geological Survey, Forests, Sludge Abatement, Inspection of Mines, Dredging, Progress of Mining, Boring Operations, &c., for the year 1906.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906—Part V., Law, Crime, &c.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Amendments of, and Additions to, the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

Poisons Acts.—Additional Regulations.

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act No. 1873.—Regulations—

Travelling Allowances.—Department of Lands and Survey.

Lunacy Department.

Travelling Allowances.—Department of Law.

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Health.

Travelling Allowances.—Department of Lands and Survey. Classification of General Division.—Department of Agriculture.

Classification of Professional Division. - Clause 8, Chapter II., of the Regulations made on the 22nd December, 1902, further amended.

Attendance and Conduct of Officers.

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Mines and Water Supply.

Addendum to Clause 14, Chapter V., of the Regulations gazetted on the 30th December, 1902, and amended on the 3rd February, 1905.

Chapter III.—Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division.

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Public Instruction.

Travelling Allowances.—Department of Law. Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Works.

Classification of Professional Division —Department of Agriculture.

Classification of General Division. - Department of Lands and Survey.

Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways. - Sixteenth General Report.

10. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been read-

Debate resumed.

The Honorable W. J. Evans moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Debate continued.

The Honorable W. J. Evans 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. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
- 2. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. Balfour, N. FitzGerald, T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
- 3. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, J. Y. McDonald, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
- 4. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. D. Brown, Dr. W. H. Embling, D. Melville, and T. H. Payne be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
- 5. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, J. C. Campbell, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, and A. O. Sachse be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
- 6. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, F. Brawn, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, A. McLellan, W. Pearson, and R. B. Rees be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
- 7. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the hour of closing at polling for Legislative Council Elections.
- 8. The Hon. A. McLellan: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for Adult Suffrage.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Consideration of Report of Committee.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans).
- 2. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. POLICE OFFENCES BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. A. C. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 5. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS OR DEATHS VALIDATION BILL-(Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 6. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10th JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2. Evidence Bill—[5]. Police Offences Bill—[12].

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

Vacant Unclaimed Lands Bill—[15].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 1 and 2.

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No. 4.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

3. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the davs on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
- 2. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. Balfour, N. FitzGerald, T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
- 3. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, J. Y. McDonald, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
- 4. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, J. D. Brown, Dr. W. H. Embling, D. Melville, and T. H. Payne be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
- 5. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES: To move, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, J. C. Campbell, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, and A. O. Sachse be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
- 6. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That the Honorables the President, F. Brawn, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, A. McLellan, W. Pearson, and R. B. Rees be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
- 7. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to alter the hour of closing at polling for Legislative Council Elections.
- 8. The Hon. A. McLellan: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for Adult Suffrage.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—Consideration of Report of Committee.—Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
- 2. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. Police Offences Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. A. C. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 5. Brim Registers Bill—(Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 6. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17th JULY, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 1 and 2. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 3. Brim Registers Bill—[23].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 3.

Tocumwal Railway Extension Bill-[4].

Murray River Waters Bill-[7].

Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines and Water Supply for the Year 1906. No. 14. Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the Electric Light and Power Act 1896 for the Year 1906. No. 15.

VICTORIA.

No. 5

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented-

Coliban Water Supply for Bendigo and District—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council dated 18th December, 1906, showing:—

Coliban Water Supply for Bendigo and District.

- (1) Cost of No. 7 and Crusoe reservoirs and pipe-head reservoirs.
- (2) Present estimated value of same.
- (3) Cost of reticulation pipes, &c. Bendigo and Eaglehawk and portion of Marong served by same.
- (4) Present estimated value of same.
- (5) Amount of revenue received from rating and supplies to mines from pipes Bendigo and Eaglehawk last year.
- (6) Additional amount estimated to be received from the abolition of non-domicile rate, rating of unoccupied land, and increase in rates to mining companies this year, particularizing the items.
- (7) Cost per annum of engineering, administration, collecting, &c., within same area.
- The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the Year 1906.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the Year 1906—Part III.—Municipal Statistics.

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:—

Dentists Act 1898.—Regulations.

Licensing Acts-

Rules and Regulations.

Additional Rules and Regulations. Regulations.—Alteration of Forms.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1906.

Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund.—Balance-sheet, 31st December, 1906.

3. Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by the President and such Members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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- 4. Days of Business.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 5. Standing Orders Committee.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, J. Balfour, N. FitzGerald, T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and the Mover be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 6. Parliament Buildings Committee.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, J. Y. McDonald, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 7. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, J. D. Brown, Dr. W. H. Embling, D. Melville, and T. H. Payne be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 8. Refreshment Rooms Committee.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, J. C. Campbell, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, and A. O. Sachse be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.

 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 9. Printing Committee.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, F. Brawn, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, A. McLellan, W. Pearson, and R. B. Rees be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 10. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Evals, a Bill to alter the hour of closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 31st July instant.
- 11. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. McLellan, a Bill providing for Adult Suffrage was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 31st July instant.
- 12. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Police Offences Bill—Second reading.

Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Brim Registers Bill-Second reading.

Evidence Bill-Second reading.

14. Adjournment. -Ordered, after debate, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Real Property Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Police Offences Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENIMENT BILL—(Hon. A. C. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. Brim Registers Bill—(Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 5. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 31st JULY.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)-Second reading
- 2. Adult Suffrage Bill—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 18TH JULY, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 3 and 4. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 3, 4, and 5. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5. Tooborac Tramway Bill—[9]. Default Summonses Bill—[11]. Marine Stores and Old Metals Bill—[20]. Friendly Societies Bill—[24].

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No. 6.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The President reported that he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council, agreed to on the 23rd instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

In the name and on behalf of the King I thank you for your expression of loyalty to Our Most Gracious Sovereign. I am confident that in considering the measures to be brought before you, you will endeavour to promote the welfare of this State.

JOHN MADDEN.

Government Offices, Melbourne, 30th July, 1907.

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

Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Acting Secretary and Inspector for the year 1906.

Education Acts.—

Regulation No. XXVI.—Clause rescinded, and clause substituted. Regulations No. I. and No. IV. rescinded.—New Regulations made.

Additions to Regulation No. XI.

Fisheries Act 1890.—Notices of intention to issue Proclamations—

Definition of mouth of Moyne River; also Prohibition of netting, &c.

Re Prohibition of Netting in Hobson's Bay.

Netting in Mallacoota Inlet.

Netting in Inland Waters.

Prohibition of netting in the South-west Passage, near mouth of Moyne River.

Definition of mouth of Moyne River; also Prohibiting of netting, &c. Definition of mouth of Moyne River; also Prohibition of netting, &c.

Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Premiers' Conference, held at Brisbane, May, 1907; together with Appendices.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 24th July, 1907.

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5. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without

amendment.

6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 25th July, 1907.

- 7. TOCUMWAL RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Companies Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 25th July, 1907.

- 9. Companies Acts further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 10. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was, after debate, recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 8 and a proposed new clause.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. D. Melville: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier by what Statute or law the Railways Commissioners have closed for traffic certain lines of railway in this State.
- 2. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To call the attention of the Honorable the Acting Premier to a paragraph in the Argus of the 30th July, 1907, relating to a proposed sale of land at Ivanhoe Railway Station, and to ask if the facts as disclosed are correct will he request the Railways Commissioners to reconsider their decision.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Tocumwal Railway Extension Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 2. Police Offences Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. A. C. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. Brim Registers Bill—(Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 5. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 6. Companies Acts further Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)-Second reading.
- 2. Adult Suffrage Bill—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 25TH JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5. Companies Bill—[3]. (To Members of Council only.)

Tocumwal Railway Extension Bill-[4]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 6, 7, and 8.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8.

Municipal Endowment Bill—[13].

Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court. No. 3.

Statistical Register.—Part V. Law, Crime, &c. No. 18.

Penal Establishments and Gaols. Report of the Inspector-General for the Year 1906. No. 19.

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

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Sixteenth General Report. No. 22.

No. 7.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

The Lieutenaut-Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, at the Law Courts, Melbourne, 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 One hundred and fifty-two thousand one hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and six and One thousand nine hundred and seven."

The Law Courts,

Melbourne, 31st July, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 31st July, 1907.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

- 4. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Payment of Fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 30th July, 1907.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 6. DEFAULT SUMMONSES SERVICE FEES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 7. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the following Members of this House be appointed Members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, viz.:—The Honorables Dr. W. H. Embling and D. Melville. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 8. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the Year 1906—Part IV.—Accumulation. The Land Acts—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1906.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Justices Act 1890-

Further Rules under the,

Fees in Courts of Petty Sessions, and in Proceedings before a Justice or Justices.

Regulations under the Lifts Regulation Act 1906.

- Twenty-ninth Annual Report on Friendly Societies—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1906, to which are appended the Valuations, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.
- 9. Tocumwal Railway Extension Bill This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

10. Police Offences Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 10.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. VACANT UNCLAIMED LANDS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

12. Brim Registers Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

14. Companies Acts further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling Bill)—Second reading.

Adult Suffrage Bill—Second reading.

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

And then the Council, at nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1907.

Ouestions.

- 1. The Hon. A. HICKS: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if it is a fact that only persons who can afford to pay a fee up to £3 3s. per week are admitted into the Talbot Colony for Epileptics, an institution that received a large grant from the Government. If some patients are admitted free, will he inform the House how many non-paying, and how many paying patients there are in the institution at the present time.
- 2. The Hon. W. J. Evans: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if he will furnish the following information to the House:-
 - (1) The number of women and girls employed on the Victorian Railways on the 30th June during the years 1903 and 1907 respectively.
 - (2) The class of work they were employed at. The hours on duty (daily), including time of starting and finishing day's work, and
 - (3) The daily wage paid to each individual.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-Second reading.
- 2. Default Summonses Service Free Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 31st JULY, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6. Railways Bill—[6]. (To Members of Council only.)
Default Summonses Bill—[11]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 9 and 10.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 1. Infant Life Protection Bill—[14].

Marine Stores and Old Metals Bill-[20]. (To Members only.)

Forests Bill-[21].

Real Property Bill—[28]. (To Members only.)

Licensing Bill-[41].

Municipal Endowment.—Statement showing amount payable to each Shire under Reclassification Bill, compared with last payment under present Act. (To Members only.)

No. 8.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act for the incorporation of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 8th August, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 3. MUNICIPAL' ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION BILL .-- On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- -4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 8th August, 1907. FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

- 5. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President.

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz. :- "That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers, not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement, and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 8th August, 1907.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next. (600 copies.)

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

Addition to the Regulations under the Land Acts.

Explosives Act 1890.—Certain explosives defined, classified, and added to list of explosives prohibited from importation into Victoria except upon certain conditions.

- Health Acts.—Pure Food Act 1905, Section 41.—A Regulation to secure the cleanliness, and freedom from contamination and adulteration, of milk during transport from place of production to the retail vendor.
- 8. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will to-morrow again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. Default Summonses Service Fees Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Evidence Bill.—To be further considered in Committee.

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

Adult Suffrage Bill.—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. D. Melville: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if it is necessary to compulsorily purchase the Konongwootong South Estate, and if so, why?
- 2. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will furnish the following information to the House—
 - 1. The amount of tonnage of goods carried on the Victorian railways at first, second, and third class rates during the month of March, 1907, from Melbourne to all stations on the following District lines:—Northern, North-Eastern, Eastern, North-Western, Western, South-Western, particularizing each district separately.

2. The amount received for carriage of same at district rates, particularizing each district

separately.

3. The amount that would be chargeable on the same goods traffic if mileage rates had been charged, particularizing each district separately.

General Business.

Notice of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. D. Melville: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - (1) The total amount expended by the Closer Settlement Board in the purchase of estates.

2) The number and value of the allotments remaining unsold; and

(3) The number and areas of estates submitted for purchase to the Closer Settlement Board and refused.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 3. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 2. Closer Settlement—Compulsory Purchase of Konongwootong South Estate.—Message from the Legislative Assembly requesting concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—
 That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas

(120 copies.)

the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts.—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8TH AUGUST, 1907.

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

Marine Stores and Old Metals Bill—[20]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Association Bill—[35]. (To Members of Council only.)

Railways Loans Further Amendment Bill-

(New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. R. B. Rees.) (To Members of Council only.) (New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. D. Melville.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 11, 12, and 13.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No 2.

Police Offences Bill—[12]. (To Members only.)
Vacant Unclaimed Lands Bill—[15]. (To Members only.)

Brim Registers Bill —[23]. (To Members only.) Factories and Shops Bill—[26]. Chinese Employment Bill—[34].

Stamps Bill-[36].

Adult Suffrage Bill—[48].

Real Property Bill—New Clause to follow Clause 8. (To be proposed by Mr. Mackinnon.) Members only.)

Statistical Register.—Part IV. Accumulation. No. 17.

Twenty-ninth Annual Report of Friendly Societies. No. 24.

The Land Acts. Report for the Year ended 31st December, 1906. No. 27.

No. 9.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Cabmen's Grievances Board.—

Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into the Grievances of Cabmen.

Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into the Grievances of Cabmen, together with Minutes of Evidence.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. Closer Settlement.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, pursuant to amended notice, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - (1) The total amount expended by the Closer Settlement Board in the purchase of estates.

(2) The number and value of the allotments remaining unsold; and

(3) The number and gross area of estates submitted for purchase to the Closer Settlement Board and refused.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:—

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill—Second reading. Adult Suffrage Bill—Second reading.

- 5. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

- 6. Municipal Association Incorporation Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

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

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

7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Evidence Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

8. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF KONONGWOOTONG SOUTH ESTATE.—Message from the Legislative Assembly requesting concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :-"That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £85s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts."—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

WEDNESDAY, 21st AUGUST.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)-Second reading.
- 2. Adult Suffrage Bill—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 20th August.

PARLIAMENTARY BUILDINGS (Joint)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH AUGUST, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14 Western Area Closer Settlement Bill—[29].

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No. 10.

MINUTES OF THE **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATI COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 20th AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Substituted Declaration of Member.—The Honorable N. FitzGerald delivered to the Clerk the following declaration, viz .:-

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as 'Moira,' Alma-road.

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

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

"N. FITZGERALD."

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

- "An Act to authorize the construction of an Extension of the Strathmerton towards Tocumwal Railway to Tocumwal in the State of New South Wales and to ratify an Agreement in reference thereto between the Governments of Victoria and New South Wales."
 "An Act to further amend the Companies Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 13th August, 1907.

- 4. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.—The Honorable J. Y. McDonald, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Joint Committee on the Parliament Buildings. Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- 5. Administration and Probats Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to further amend the Administration and Probate Act 1890 and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk: Servants' Registry Offices Act 1897 .- Scale of Charges by Licensed Registry Office Keepers.
- 7. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee. (€00 copies.)

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8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:-

> Evidence Bill.—To be further considered in Committee. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill,—Second reading.

9. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF KONONGWOOTONG SOUTH ESTATE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :- "That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers, not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement, and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts-having been read,

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to the foregoing resolution.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood 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. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS. Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF KONONGWOOTONG SOUTH ESTATE.—The question is-That the Council agree with the Legislative Assembly in the following resolution, viz. :-"That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts."—Resumption of debate—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)
- 2. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 4. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. Adult Suffrage Bill—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 15TH AUGUST, 1907.

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

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

Administration and Probate Bill-[10].

Railways Laws Further Amendment Bill.—(New Clause E, to be proposed by the Hon. J. D. Brown.)
(To Members of Council only.)

Marine Stores Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. A. O. Sachse.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 14, 15, and 16.

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

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.)
(To Members only.) Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3.

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No. 11,

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 27TH. AUGUST, 1907.

- · 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 - 2. Declaration of Member.—The Honorable E. J. Crooke delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

"In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution Act Amendment Acts, I, Edward Jolley Crooke do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred and fifty-six pounds above all charges and encumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of 'The Holey Plain Estate.'

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

hundred and fifty-six pounds.

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

"E. J. CROOKE."

- 3. London County Council Agreement.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Agreement between the London County Council and the Agent-General of the State of Victoria (Australia) in connexion with the land acquired on a building lease for the Agent-General's offices.

 Question—put an I resolved in the affirmative.
- 4. Paper.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—
 London County Council Agreement.—Return to the foregoing Order.
- 5. Ancient Lights Declaratory Bill —On the motion of the Honorable T. H. Payne, a Bill to declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Payment of Fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 21st August, 1907. Speaker.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment, which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Payment of Fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses."

In clause 2, third last line, after the word "the" there shall be inserted the words "justice or." Government Offices,

Melbourne, 21st August, 1907.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

(600 copies.)

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

Old-age Pensions Act, No. 1751.—Statement in accordance with Section 35—Financial Year 1906-7.

Regulations under the Lifts Regulation Act 1906.

Twenty first Annual Report on Trade Unions—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1906, with an Appendix.

8. Closer Settlement—Compulsory Purchase of Konongwootong South Estate.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Assembly in the following resolution, viz.:—That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and laving taken the evidence of two competent valuers, not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement, and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts—having been read, Debate resumed.

The Honorable W. J. Evans 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.

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Railways Laws further Amendment Bill.—To be further considered in Committee. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Second reading. Evidence Bill.—To be further considered in Committee.

Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Second reading.

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

Adult Suffrage Bill.—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. ANCIENT LIGHTS DECLARATORY BILL—(Hon. T. H. Payne)—Second reading,
- 2. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)-Second reading.
- 3. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF KONONGWOOTONG SOUTH ESTATE.—The question is—That the Council agree with the Legislative Assembly in the following resolution, viz.:—
 "That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £85s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown: And whereas the Board accordingly made to the owner an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts."-Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Evans.)
- 2. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the Railways Laws further Amendment Bill being reported from the Committee of the whole-

The Hon. J. Sternberg: To move, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of the Honorables W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, R. B. Rees, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 21st AUGUST, 1907

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 10. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10. Ancient Lights Declaratory Bill-[62].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 17 and 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 4.

Courts of Mines and County Courts Bill-[51].

Game Bill—[52]. Surplus Revenue Bill—[59].

Real Property (Limitation of Actions) Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Bayles.) (To Members only.)

Report on the Storage and Distribution of Water in the Wimmera Districts and Southern Mallee Area C.-No. 3.

No. 12.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Ancient Lights Declaratory Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

.3. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 4th September next:—

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading. Adult Suffrage Bill.—Second reading.

4. Closer Settlement—Compulsory Purchase of Konongwootong South Estate.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Assembly in the following resolution, viz.:—That, whereas pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Act 1904 an officer of the Public Service was appointed by the Minister of Lands to inspect and report as to the suitableness or otherwise of certain land near Coleraine for the purposes of Closer Settlement: And whereas such officer has reported to the Lands Purchase and Management Board that the Konongwootong South Estate, comprising an area of 10,038 acres, is suitable for such purposes: And whereas the Board, after considering such report, and having examined the said land, and having taken the evidence of two competent valuers not being members of the Public Service, have decided that the estate is suitable for the purposes of Closer Settlement and have fixed its value at £8 5s. per acre, and reported the same in writing to the Minister, who agreed with the value so fixed: And whereas the said Minister directed the Board to make to the owners of the estate an offer to purchase the same for the Crown at a price not exceeding the value so fixed: And whereas the said owner has refused to sell the estate and no agreement for sale can be arrived at: And whereas the Board has reported accordingly to the Minister, it is hereby resolved and affirmed that it is desirable to take such land compulsorily pursuant to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts—having been read,

Debate resumed.

Question—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 15.
The Hon. J. Balfour,

J. M. Davies, W. J. Evans,

N. FitzGerald, A. Hicks,

T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold,

A. McLellan, T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt, R. B. Rees,

A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
J. D. Brown,
E. J. Crooke.

Noes, 7.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
T. C. Harwood,
D. E. McBryde,
E. Miller,
W. Pearson.

Tellers.
E. H. Austin,
D. Melville.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

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5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seven," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 28th August, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 6. Surplus Revenue Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 10th September next.
- 7. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will on Tuesday, 10th September next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 10th September next:—

Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Evidence Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

9. Adjournment.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 10th September next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No 11.

TUESDAY, 10rm SEPTEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Surplus Revenue Bill--(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 4. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. . Sachse)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the Railways Laws further Amendment Bill being reported from the Committee of the whole—

The Hon. J. Sternberg: To move, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of the Honorables W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, R. B. Rees, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place: three to be the quorum.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11. Surplus Revenue Bill.—[59] (To Members of Council only.) Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[37].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.

Real Property Bill—[28]. (To Members only.)
Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Bill—[54].

Railway Standing Committee.—Report on the proposed Alexandra-road to Alexandra Railway.—Railways Standing Committee Report No. 3.

First Report from the Joint Committee on the Parliament Buildings. D.-No. 1.

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No. 13,

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill amending and declaring the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Land was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4.

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

"An Act for the incorporation of an Association called the Municipal Association of Victoria."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 27th August, 1907.

4. Message from the Assembly:—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Four hundred and twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 4th September, 1907.

Speaker.

- 5. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 29th August, 1907.

Speaker.

And the said amendments were read, and are as follow: -

1. Clause 8, lines 35 and 36, omit the words "either for agricultural purposes or for any other" and insert the words "for any."

2. Clause 8, line 40, after the word "tenancy" insert the words "or during such further period of possession by him as he holds the premises."

Amendment 1, agreed to.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to amendment 2.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood 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.

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

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906,'" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 29th August, 1907.

8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :--

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Assembly,

FRANK MADDEN,

Melbourne, 29th August, 1907.

Speaker.

- 9. TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill relating to Attesting Documents under the Transfer of Land Act 1890 was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 10. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Report of proceedings taken under the provisions of Part III., Land Act 1901, relating to Village Settlements, during the financial year ended 30th June, 1907. Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1906-7.

Education Acts-

Sections rescinded, and additions made to Regulation No. XI.

Additions to Regulation No. XII.

Regulation XXIX.—Sloyd classes in country schools. Regulation XXX.—Cookery classes in country schools.

Regulation No. VIII. rescinded.—New regulation made.

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1906.

11. Surplus Revenue Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

12. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:

Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Second reading.

Evidence Bill.—To be further considered in Committee.

Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Second reading.

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 8th October next:-Adult Suffrage Bill.—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL-(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3)—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. Real Property Bill—Amendments of the Assembly to be further considered—(Hon. J. M. Davies).
- 3 RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. Transfer of Land Bill (Hon. J. M. Davies) Second reading.
- 5. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 6. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the Railways Laws further Amendment Bill being reported from the Committee of the whole-

The Hon. J. Sternberg: To move, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of the Honorables W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, R. B. Rees, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 12.

Consolidated Revenue Bill—[65]. (To Members of Council only.)
Supply Slip. (To Members of Council only.)
Transfer of Land Bill—[49].

Real Property Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members of Council only.) Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—[27].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 22 and 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.

Ancient Lights Declaratory Bill—[62]. (To Members only.)

Forests Bill—[21]. (To Members only.)

Forests Bill.—(Amendments and new Clauses to be proposed by Mr. McLeod.) (In lieu of proposed Amendments circulated and not dealt with on the 4th September. (To Members only.)

No. 14.

MINUTES THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next :-

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill—Second reading.

3. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-
- 4. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of amendment 2, made by the Assembly in this Bill, having been read—the said amendment was read, and is as follows:— 2. Clause 8, line 40, after the word "tenancy" insert the words "or during such further period of possession by him as he holds the premises."

Debate resumed on the question, That the Council agree to amendment 2.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved as an amendment, That the word "legally" be inserted after the word "he."

Debate ensued.

Question-That the word "legally" be inserted after the word "he "-put and negatived.

Amendment 2 agreed to.

- Ordered That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in this Bill.
- 5. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 7.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The Council divided.

Ayes 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott

J. Balfour

W. Cain

T. C. Harwood W. Little

R. B. Rees

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

Dr. W. H. Embling

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The Hon. J. G. Aikman

J. D. Brown

J. M. Davies

W. H. Edgar

J. Y. McDonald

A. McLellan

D. Melville

T. H Payne

W. Pitt.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans

A. O. Sachse.

And so it passed in the negative.

On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse the report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

6. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Transfer of Land Bill—Second reading.

Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Evidence Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No 13.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 2. Transfer of Land Bill (Hon. J. M. Davies) Second reading.
- 3. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. EVIDENCE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 17th September, 1907.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11th SEPTEMBER, 1907.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 24.

Friendly Societies Bill—[24]. (To Members only.)

Longwarry Lands Reclassification Bill—[67].

Friendly Societies Acts Further Amendment Bill.—

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Sir Alexander Peacock.) (To Members only.)

(New clause to be proposed by Mr. Warde on Consideration of Report.) (To Members only.)

(New clause to be proposed by Mr. Bayles on Consideration of Report.) (To Members only.)

Cabmen's Grievances Board—Report of the. No. 25.

Twenty-first Annual Report on Trade Unions. No. 26.

London and Westminster Bank Agreement. C.—No. 4.

Vehicle Drivers and Point-duty Constables. C.—No. 6.

VICTORIA.

No. 15.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

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

"An Act to provide for the payment of Fees for the Service of certain Default Summonses." Government Offices,

Melbourne, 10th September, 1907.

3. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, at the State Government House, 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 Four hundred and twenty-one thousand two hundred and sixty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

State Government House,

Melbourne, 12th September, 1907.

- 4. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.—TONNAGE OF GOODS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - 1. The amount of tonnage of goods carried on the Victorian railways at first, second, and third class rates during the month of March, 1907, from Melbourne to all stations on the following District lines:—Northern, North-Eastern, Eastern, North-Western, Western, South-Western, particularizing each district separately.

2. The amount received for carriage of same at district rates, particularizing each district separately.

3. The amount that would be chargeable on the same goods traffic if mileage rates had been charged, particularizing each district separately.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Victorian Railways.—Tonnage of Goods—Return to the foregoing Order. Ordered to lie on the Table.

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6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1907.

- 7. Forests Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 1st October next.
- 8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1907.

- 9. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 1st October next.
- 10. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th September, 1907.

- 11. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, or level to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 1st October next.
- 12. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906-

Part VI.—Social Condition.

Part VII.—Vital Statistics, &c.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th June 1907.

Education Act 1890.—Addition to Regulation No. V.

13. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, 1st October next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. Transfer of Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

15. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

- 116. EVIDENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
- 17. MARINE STORES AND OLD METALS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald, having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
- 18. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 1st October next.
- And then the Council, at thirty-seven minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 1st October next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1907.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. Hicks: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government has seen the reports in the papers of the alleged gold stealing, and, if so, will it consider the advisability of appointing a Royal Commission to enquire into the matter.

-Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Forests Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 3. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)— Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville)—Second reading.
- 2. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 13 and 14. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Dav. No. 14. Forests Bill—[21]. (To Members of Council only.) Friendly Societies Bill—[24]. (To Members of Council only.)

Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Bill-[54]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 24, 25, and 26.

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

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill. (Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Swinburne after Third Reading.) (To Members only.)
Railways Laws Further Amendment Bill. (Amendments of the Legislative Council.) (To Members

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No. 16.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

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

- "An Act to amend the 'Vacant Unclaimed Lands Act 1906'."
- "An Act to validate certain Registers and Certificates of Births or Deaths at Brim."
- "An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seven."
- "An Act with respect to the Limitation of Actions relating to Real and other Property and for other purposes."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 24th September, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th September, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 4. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 19th September, 1907.

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- 6. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 19th September, 1907.

Speaker.

- 8. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the toregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 19th September, 1907.

Speaker.

- 10. INCOME TAX BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly: -

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 19th September, 1907.

Speaker.

12. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Public Service Commissioner.—Report.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906—Part VIII.—Population.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Additional Regulations under the Children's Court Act 1906 (No. 2058).

Marine Act 1890-

Additional Regulation relating to the Examination of Masters and Mates.

Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea.

Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1905—Regulation 4, section 33.—Standardization of Milk and Cream Testing Appliances and Acids; System of Weighing Milk and Cream, Taking Samples, and Reading Tests.

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1907.

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Annual Report, 1906-7.

The Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners' First Report for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

Vegetation Diseases Acts-

Regulations under the Vegetation Diseases Acts.

Regulations authorizing inspectors to charge fees and expenses for inspecting any tree, plant, or vegetable.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the financial year ending 30th June, 1907.

13. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave

Resolved -- That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

- 14. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. Pitt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
- 15. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Councit.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 2nd OCTOBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL— (from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville)—Second reading.
- 2. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

 Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 2. Administration and Probate Duties Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 3. INCOME TAX BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 4. Forests Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. J. Sternberg.)
- 5. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 6. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 7. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 15.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15.

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Bill—[40]. (To Members of Council only.)

Administration and Probate Duties Bill—[60]. (To Members of Council only.)

Income Tax Bill—[71]. (To Members of Council only.)

Old-age Pensions Bill—[73.] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 27, 28, and 29.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.

Evidence Bill—[5]. (To Members only.)

Administration and Probate Bill—[10]. (To Members only.)

Police Offences Bill—[12]. (To Members only.)

Roman Catholic Trusts Bill—[25].

Sherwood Lands Bill—[42].

Transfer of Land Bill—[49]. (To Members only.)

Railway Officers Transfer Bill—[63].

Referendum Bill—[76].

Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890 Amendment Bill. (Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

London County Council Agreement. C.—No. 5.

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read-

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

Debate ensued. Question--That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question-put. The Council divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. W. J. Evans,

F. Hagelthorn.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

D. Melville.

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The Hon. J. Balfour,

W. Cain,

J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

N. FitzGerald, T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks,

T. Luxton,

D. E. McBryde,

A. McLellan,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne, W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

J. G. Aikman,

Walter S. Manifold.

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And so it passed in the negative. Question—That the words "this day six months" be added after the word "time"—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next :-

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

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4. OLD-AGE PENSIONS RATE INCREASE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

5. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment,

6. INCOME TAX BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered - That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

7 Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Forests Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill-Second reading.

8. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Forests Bill (from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. J. Sternberg.)
- 2. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND OCTOBER, 1907.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 30.

Licensing Bill-[50].

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Bromley.)
(To Members only.)

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No. 18.

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TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Education Act 1890.—Clause 5 of Regulation No. XI. amended.

Neglected Children's Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Dietary Scale. Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act No. 1873.—Regulations—

Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Health.

Classification of Professional Division. - Department of Public Works.

Classification of General Division.—Department of Agriculture.

Classification of General Division.

Travelling Allowances.—Department of Law.

Closer Settlement Act 1904-Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the year 1906-7.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Police Offences Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council that the Legislative Council the Legislative Council that the Legislative Council the Legislative sembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 2nd October, 1907.

Speaker.

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

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :--

MR. PRESIDENT,

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd October, 1907.

5. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4) .- On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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6. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

7. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—To be further considered in Committee. Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—Second reading. Adult Suffrage Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No 17.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

General Business.

Notice of Motion:—

1. The Hon. Walter S. Manifold: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to empower Municipal Councils to scour, cleanse, and keep open certain drains constructed by owners of lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4)—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. Police Offences Bill—Amendments of the Assembly—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. J. M. Davies).
- 3. Forests Bill (from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)— Second reading.
- 6. Gerlong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 9th October.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at four o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 3RD OCTOBER, 1907.

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Minutes and Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 16 and 17.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.
Consolidated Revenue Bill—[79]. (To Members of Council only.)
Supply Slip. (To Members of Council only.)
Police Offences Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members of Council only.)
Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 30, 31, and 32.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32.
Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 6.
Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.-
     (Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed by Sir Alexander Peacock.) (To Members only.)
      (Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Bayles.) (To Members only.) (New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Warde.) (To Members only.)
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      (Amendment and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. J. W. Billson.) (To Members only.)
     (New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Members) (To Members only.) (Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Glass.) (To Members only.) (Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Tunnecliffe.) (To Members only.)
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      (Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McGrath.)
     (New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Prendergast.)
(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McGrath.)
(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.)
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      (New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Elmslie.)
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Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June, 1908. B.—No. 20.

The Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—[57].

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No. 19.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Drainage of Land Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, a Bill to empower Municipal Councils to scour, cleanse, and keep open certain drains constructed by owners of lands was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 8th October, 1907.

4. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:—

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

5. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 6th November next:—

Adult Suffrage Bill-Second reading.

6. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

- 7. Police Offences Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—
 - 1. Clause 3, sub-section (1), line 12, omit the words "Sub-sections one and two" and insert the words "Sub-section one."

2. Clause 4, page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (a), line 14, omit "whether."

3. , page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (a), line 15, omit "not" and insert "(if the person charged consent in writing in the presence and on the request of the said Justices) sitting out of Sessions."

4. , page 2, sub-section (4), paragraph (b), line 17, before "consent" insert "in the presence and on the request of the said Justice."

- 5. Clause 5, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-section:-
 - (4) Any person who keeps or manages or acts or assists in the management of a brothel shall be liable to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any time not exceeding two years.
- 6. Clause 6, sub-section (2), line 40, at the beginning of the sub-section insert "being the tenant lessee or occupier of any house."
- 7. Clause 9, line 43, omit "deceive" and insert "defraud."
- 8. Clause 11, line 25, omit "six" and insert "twelve."

Amendments 1 to 3 agreed to.

Amendment 4, after debate, agreed to.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to amendment 5.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the words "or acts or assists in the management of" be omitted from the said amendment.

Debate continued.

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

Question—That the Council agree to amendment 5—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 6 to 8 agreed to.

- Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in this Bill.
- 8. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

 House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—To be further considered in Committee. Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—Second reading.

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

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No 18.

TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Forests Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT, BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. Gerlong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Drainage of Land Bill—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBÈR.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL-(Hon. A. McLellan)-Second reading,

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 33.

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—
(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. J. W. Billson.) (To Members only.)
Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the Financial Year ending 30th June, 1907.

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No. 20.

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TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from . His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:-

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 8.

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council 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 declare the Law with respect to Ancient Lights."
- "An Act to increase the Maximum Rate of Old-age Pensions."
- "An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts."
- "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of Decemher One thousand nine hundred and eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 8th October, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :--

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Stamps Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 10th October, 1907.

- 4. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 10th October, 1907.

- 6. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 7. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of the Council of Judges under Section 33 of the Supreme Court Act 1890. Ordered to lie on the Table.

8. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered-That the Bill as amended be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

9. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 1.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill as amended be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—Second reading. Drainage of Land Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. DRAINAGE OF LAND BILL—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Forests Bill (from Assembly Hon. W. Pitt) Consideration of Report.
- 2. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 3. Gerlong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

Question.

- 1. The Hon. W. CAIN: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - (1) In view of the proposed appointment of a Board to enquire into the management of the St. Kilda Cemetery, and the statement made by the Honorable the Premier that it was proposed to appoint a Board of five Commissioners to distribute the Charity Vote, will the Government favorably consider the recommitment of the Forests Bill, with the object of appointing a Board with a highly trained chairman, responsible to the Minister of Forests, such Board to be fully empowered to deal with the great National Asset of Forests, following a policy of maintaining and improving the growth of timber in Victoria.

(2) Should the Government not entertain the views expressed in the question asked, will the Honorable the Attorney-General state, in detail, the objection of the Government to the appointment of a Board, and how such Board would be detrimental to the best interests of the citizens of this State.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 3. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL (Hon. J. M. Davies)—Consideration of Report.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 16th October.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at four o'clock.

(120 copies.)

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.

Forests Bill—[21]. (To Members of Council only.)

Stamps Bill—[36]. (To Members of Council only.)

Alexandra Railway Construction Bill—[64]. (To Members of Council only.)

Land Draining Facilities Bill—[80].

Friendly Societies Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. T. H. Payne.)

(To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 33, 34, and 35.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 35.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 7.

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.)

(To Members only.)

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the Year ended 30th June, 1907. No. 34.

Statistical Register .- Part VIII. Population. No. 36.

VICTORIA.

No. 21.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

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

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eighty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and seven and One thousand nine hundred and eight."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th October, 1907.

3. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:—

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

4. Drainage of Land Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment.

Ordered - That the Bill as amended be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

5. Forests Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 18.

House in Committee.

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

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

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6. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—Second reading.

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

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 2. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 3. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Consideration of Report.
- 4. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. Drainage of Land Bill—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Consideration of Report.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS.

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—[27]. (To Members of Council only.) Land Draining Facilities Bill—[80]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.

Mandurang Lands Bill—[43].

Dandenong Lands Bill-[85].

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.) (To Members only.)

Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill .—(Amendments to be proposed in

Committee by Mr. Keast) (To Members only.)

Administration and Probate Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Mackey.) (To Members only.) Statistical Register—Part VII. Vital Statistics, &c. No. 30.

Public Service Commissioner. Report for 1906. No. 35.

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No. 22.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the table by the Clerk:—

Companies Act 1890.—Summary of Statements for the year 1906 made by the Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th October, 1907.

- 4 Dandenong Lands Act 1892 Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1907.

- 6. Mandurang Land Resumption Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Lands in the Parish of Sherwood as Sites for Military and other public purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th October, 1907.

- 8. Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in Trust for The Collins-street Independent Church," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 17th October, 1907.

- 10. Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, with the exception of those relating to the payment of fees, be suspended in relation to the Bill to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in Trust for The Collins-street Independent Church. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - The Honorable J. M. Davies, having produced a receipt that the sum of £20 had been paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the State, moved, That the 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 on Tuesday next.
- 11. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
- 12. FRIENDLY SOC ETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 - Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Alexandra-road to Alexandra Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—Second reading.

- 14. Drainage of Land Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
- 15. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Gewlong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. DANDENONG LANDS ACT 1892 AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 5. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 6. SHERWOOD RESERVE REVOCATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 7. Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)— Second reading.
- 8. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading. General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 17th OCTOBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 21. Sherwood Lands Bill—[42]. (To Members of Council only.)

Mandurang Lands Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only.)

The Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—[57]. (To Members of Council only.) Dandenong Lands Bill—[85]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 36, 37, and 38.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 8.

Rating on Unimproved Value Bill-[74].

Administration and Probate Bill—[10]. (To Members Infant Life Protection Bill—[14]. (To Members only.) (To Members only.)

Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill. (Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Sir

Alexander Peacock.) (To Members only.)
Forests Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill. - (Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Warde.) (To Members only.)

Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the Year ended 30th June, 1907. No. 39.

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TUESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

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

- "An Act to amend the 'Marine Stores and Old Metals Act 1890."
- " An Act to amend the Police Offences Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 22nd October, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Attesting Documents under the Transfer of Land Act 1890" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly. Melbourne, 22nd October, 1907.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 23rd October, 1907. Speaker.

5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Infant Life Protection Act 1890," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 23rd October, 1907.

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- 6. INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 12th November next.
- 7. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill. On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 12th November next.
- 8. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Marine Act 1890.—Additional Regulation relating to the Equipment of Ships with Lifesaving Appliances.

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act No. 1873.—Copies of Papers relating to the promotion of Herbert Seaton Lynch, an officer of the Clerical Division, Department of Hospitals for the Insane.

9. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read-

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill as amended be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

Alexandra-road to Alexandra Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.

Dandenong Lands Act 1892 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Mandurang Land Resumption Bill—Second reading. Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill—Second reading.

Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—Second reading.

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Legislative Council Elections (Hours of Polling) Bill.—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL—(Hon. W. J. Evans)—Second reading.
- 2. Dandenong Lands Act 1892 Amendment Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 3. Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Consideration of Report.
- 2. Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. Mandurang Land Resumption Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 5. Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 6. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Minister of Mines) to a statement that appeared in the Bendigo newspapers that the Mining Department insist upon a fee of £1 being paid to the said Department before permission will be granted to any one obtaining a tribute from a mining company in Victoria. And further, in consequence of the exceptionally hard circumstances under which tributers work in many cases for a mere pittance, will the Honorable the Minister of Mines look into this matter with a view of granting consents to tributers, as heretofore, free.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 24TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 22.

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

Infant Life Protection Bill—[14]. (To Members of Council only.)

Friendly Societies Bill—[24]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 39, 40, and 41. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 41. Settled Estates and Settled Lands Bill—[27]. (To Members only.) Land Draining Facilities Bill—[80]. (To Members only.) State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Annual Report, 1906-7. No. 38.

No. 24.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.-The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor-

Charitable Institutions-Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1907.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS (HOURS OF POLLING) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

4. Dandenong Lands Act 1892 Amendment Bill:—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

third time and passed.

- Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-
- 5. COLLINS-STREET INDEPENDENT CHURCH LANDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The President said-Before putting the motion for the second reading of the Bill, I wish to say that I think we are indebted to the Attorney-General for the information he has got together, and for the statement that he is prepared to lay that information on the Table, so that it will become part of the records of the House. Of course, properly, this Bill and all similar Bills ought to go through the order of investigation provided by the Standing Orders for private Bills, in order that we may know what they are about and what property we are dealing with, and why the authorities who are concerned in that property wish it to be dealt with in a particular way. That is the object of the Standing Orders relating to private Bills, and it is a highly important matter to observe. However, in both Houses we have suspended the Standing Orders, and, therefore, we have not that means of inquiring into the matter. But the Attorney-General has taken upon himself to make full and accurate inquiry, and he has really obtained the information which, otherwise, would have been obtained by a Select Committee. If it is the wish of Parliament not to hold by its laws in regard to private Bills-and there seems to be an inclination on the part of both Houses to depart from them—and if it is our wish not to strictly observe the Standing Orders, I think we are doing the very best thing to supply the deficiency by a statement such as has been submitted by the Attorney-General, together with his assurance that he will lay it on the Table of the House.

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

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment. (600 copies.)

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- 6. COLLINS-STREET INDEPENDENT CHURCH LANDS BILL.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a Statement explanatory of the Bill signed by the Pastor, and by the Trustees and Deacons, and by the Parliamentary Agent for the Promoters. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 7. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Collins-street Independent Church Lands Bill—Statement explanatory of the Bill, signed by the Pastor, and by the Trustees and Deacons and by the Parliamentary Agent for the Promoters—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

8. ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Clerk having announced that the Honorable the President was unavoidably absent, the Honorable N. FitzGerald, on the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during his absence.

The Honorable N. FitzGerald took the Chair.

9. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, and after debate, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 10.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. Balfour perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

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

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

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 12th November next:—

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill-To be further considered in Committee.

Alexandra-road to Alexandra Railway Construction Bill—Second reading.

Mandurang Land Resumption Bill.—Second reading.

Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill.—Second reading. Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill.—Second reading.

11. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 12th November next.

And then the Council, at ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 12th November next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Questions.

- 1. The Hon. J. Sternberg: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Minister of Mines) to a statement that appeared in the Bendigo newspapers that the Mining Department insists upon a fee of £1 being paid to the said Department before permission will be granted to any one obtaining a tribute from a mining company in Victoria. And further, in consequence of the exceptionally hard circumstances under which tributers work in many cases for a mere pittance, will the Honorable the Minister of Mines look into this matter with a view of granting consents to tributers, as heretofore, free.
- 2. The Hon. D. Melville: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - (1) Is there any land now available for workmen's homes in the town of Brunswick or the shire of Coburg.
 - (2) Is there any land available to the public as small holdings, and where situated.
 - (3) Is it true that there are thousands of applicants unsupplied.
 - (4) How long will applicants have to wait before their applications are dealt with.
 - (5) At what prices per acre have the last lots (260) been purchased, and what are the prices charged to the applicants.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Gerlong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—'To be further considered in (ommittee.
- 2. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 3. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-Second reading.
- 4. SHERWOOD RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 5. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 6. Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 7. JUSTICES (ORDERS TO REVIEW) BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23. Justices Bill—[82].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 42. Workers' Compensation Bill—[18]. Chief Engineer for Railway Construction Bill—[81].

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

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

- "An Act relating to Attesting Documents under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1890'."
- "An Act to provide for the Management and Protection of State Forests."
- "An Act to define the Trusts and Powers affecting certain Lands held in trust for The Collinsstreet Independent Church."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 6th November, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Acquisition of Land for Closer Settlement in the Western Part of Victoria and to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing such Land and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 8th November, 1907.

- 4. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, and after debate, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

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The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 7th November, 1907.

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6. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—The Honorable N. FitzGerald moved, That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly requesting that they will be pleased to communicate to the Council copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee to which this Bill was

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

- 7. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to amend the Money Lenders Act 1906 was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 8. Papers.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1905-6. 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:—

Alteration of Rules under the Stamps Act 1890.

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1907.

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act No. 1873.—Regulations—

Classification of General Division.—Hospitals for the Insane.

Classification of General Division.—Hospitals for the Insane. Classification of General Division.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Regulation under the Companies Act 1896 (No. 1482).

Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne, from 31st July, 1906, to 31st July, 1907, with Appendices.

The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.—Statements of Accounts and Balancesheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for year ended 30th June, 1907.

Water Act 1905-

Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, under section 51, defining the area that ought to be constituted an Irrigation and Water Supply District, and dated the 12th day of November, 1907.

Plan showing the proposed Irrigation and Water Supply District referred to in the Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, dated the 12th day of November, 1907.

- 9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the Mining Department insisting upon a fee of £1 being paid before permission is granted to any one obtaining a Tribute from a Mining Company in Victoria, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
- 10. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 12th November, 1907.

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments, which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dandenong Lands' Act 1892'" and for other purposes:"

FIRST SCHEDULE.

In fourth line omit "proceeding in," substitute "bounded by."
In same line before "south" insert "bearing."
In fifth line omit "in" wherever occurring and substitute "by."

In same line omit "northerly."

In sixth line omit "easterly."
In same line omit "in" and substitute "by."

In seventh line before "south" insert "bearing."

SECOND SCHEDULE.
In second line omit "south." In third line after "thence" insert "bounded."

In third line after "thence insert bounded.

In fifth line omit "northerly."

In same line omit "in," substitute "by."

In seventh line omit "in," substitute "by."

In same line omit "ten," substitute "eight."

In eighth line omit "in" wherever occurring and substitute "by."

- On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.
- 11. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 25.

House in Committee.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third
- Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
- 12. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council copies of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes" in accordance with the request of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 12th November, 1907.

Speaker.

13. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—The Honorable N. FitzGerald moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Roman Catholic Trusts Bill, and that all fees be remitted with regard to such Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable N. FitzGerald 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 to-morrow.

14. ALEXANDRA-ROAD TO ALEXANDRA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

15 Mandurang Land Resumption Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

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

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

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

> Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill—Second reading. Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill-Second reading. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill—Second reading.
> Adult Suffrage Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. N. FitzGerald)-Second reading.
- 2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. Sherwood Reserve Revocation Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 3. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)— Second reading.
- 5. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8th NOVEMBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 23 and 24.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 24.

Gee ong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill .- (Amendments to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. J. M. Davies.) (To Members of Council only.)

Roman Catholic Trusts Bill—[25]. (To Members of Council only.)
Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the Roman Catholic Trusts Bill, &c. (To Members of Council only.)

Western Area Closer Settlement Bill-[29]. (To Members of Council only.)

Money Lenders Bill—[68].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 47.

The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill-[37]. (To Members only.)

Local Government Bill—[72].

Studley Park Bridge Land Bill-[84].

Friendly Societies Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

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No. 26.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the Hour of Closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th November, 1907.

3. ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUSTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 27th November:—

Adult Suffrage Bill-Second reading.

5. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

6. SHERWOOD RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

7. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

8. INFANT LIFE PROTECTION ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

9. Justices (Orders to Review) Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

10. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. WESTERN DISTRICT CLOSER SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly— Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2 STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS. Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 25.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 45, 46, and 47.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 48.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 10.

Indeterminate Sentences Bill—[33.] (To Members only.)

Alexandra-road to Alexandra Railway Construction Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Administration and Probate Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed on Consideration of Report by Mr. Mackey.) (To Members only.)

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No. 27.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Petitions.—The Honorable T. C. Harwood presented a Petition from the President and Executive Officer of the Victorian Employers' Federation praying that the Council would not pass the Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill. Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.
 - The Honorable T. C. Harwood presented a Petition from certain owners of land within the area affected by the provisions of the Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill, praying that counsel may be allowed to appear at the Bar of the Council and be heard on behalf of the petitioners, and that the said Bill may be rejected or amended.

Petition read and ordered to lie on the Table.

- The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, by leave, That the petitioners be heard by counsel at the Bar of the House on the second reading of the Bill. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:---

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in-Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 14th November, 1907.

- 4. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. WESTERN DISTRICT CLOSER SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day
 - for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
 The President said—The House has carried a resolution that counsel be heard on behalf of certain owners of land within the area affected by the provisions of this Bill. I understand that counsel is in attendance.

The Usher having brought Mr. Mitchell, K.C., to the Bar, The President said,—Mr. Mitchell, This House has arrived at a resolution that it shall hear counsel in support of a Petition that has been presented against the Bill to provide for the Acquisition of Land for Closer Settlement in the Western Part of Victoria, and to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing such Land and for other purposes. We will be happy to hear you now address the House in support of that Petition.

Counsel was thereupon heard on behalf of the petitioners and then withdrew.

6. Postponement of Orders of the Day .-- Ordered -- That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :-

> Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill—Second reading. Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS. Clerk of the Legislative Council. •

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The Hon. R. B. Rees: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a statement made on the 13th instant by the Honorable the Minister for Trade and Customs to a deputation of farmers' representatives which waited upon him in re the size of corn sacks. The statement was, that the State Government was anxious to reduce the size of corn sacks from 240 lbs. capacity to 200 lbs., and to ask-
 - 1. Has the Honorable the Minister for Trade and Customs any authority from the State Government for such a statement.
 - 2. If so, will the Honorable the Attorney-General produce a copy of such authority.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill—(from Assembly— Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS. Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 14TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 25 and 26.

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

Chief Engineer for Railway Construction Bill-[81]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 48, 49, and 50.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 50.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 11.

Money Lenders Bill—[68]. (To Members only.)

Justices Bill—[82]. (To Members only.)

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill .-

(Amendments to be proposed by Sir Alexander Peacock on consideration of Report or after Third Reading.) ('To Members only.)

(New Clause to be proposed on Third Reading by Mr. Prendergast.) (To Members only.)

(New Clauses to be proposed on Third Reading by Mr. Lemmon.) (To Members only.)

Report of the Council of Judges. No. 40.

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Year ended 30th June, 1907. No. 43.

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No. 28.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE

WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL .- On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to further amend the Health Acts was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th November, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the re-vesting in the Crown of certain Land granted to Trustees as and for a Road and Approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a Site for a Toll House and Out Offices in connexion with such Bridge the Cancellation of the Crown Grant and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th November, 1907.

- 5. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1906, to 31st December, 1906.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year ended 31st December, 1906.

The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement showing the names of all persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council. (600 copies.)

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7. Western District Closer Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word "now" proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put. The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. J. M. Davies, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
W. J. Evans,
W. Pitt.

Noes, 22.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, J. G. Aikman, E. H. Austin, W. L. Baillieu, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood, T. Luxton, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson, R. B. Rees,

Tellers.
Walter S. Manifold,
A. McLellan.

E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the words "this day six months" be added after the word "time"—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

- 8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—
 - Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 20th November, 1907.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 9. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, or level to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 10. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Indeterminate Sentences and for the Detention and Control of Habitual and other Criminals," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 20th November, 1907.

11. Indeterminate Sentences Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill—Second reading.

13. Adjournment.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 2. INDETERMINATE SENTENCES BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M Davies)-Second reading.
- 3. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 4. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 5. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 6. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27. Indeterminate Sentences Bill—[33]. (To Members of Council only.) Studley Park Bridge Land Bill—[84]. (To Members of Council only.) Health Bill—[93].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 51. Murray Settlements Bill—[44].

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No. 29.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

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

- "An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the Parish of Mandurang."
- "An Act to alter the Hour of Closing at Polling for Legislative Council Elections."
- "An Act to provide for the Creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which Property belonging to the Roman Catholic Church in Victoria may be vested and for other purposes."
- "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Lands in the Parish of Sherwood as Sites for Military and other public purposes."
- "An Act to amend the 'Infant Life Protection Act 1890."
- "An Act to amend the 'Dandenong Lands Act 1892' and for other purposes."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th November, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 21st November, 1907.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituded "An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 21st November, 1907.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow,

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5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906,'" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 21st November, 1907.

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

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

Mines Act 1890 (Section 285)-

Amended General Rule for proceeding before Wardens.

Amended General Rule for proceeding in Courts of Mines.

- The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, Part IX.—Statement showing the names, remuneration, duties, &c., of all persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Assembly under the authority of Part IX. of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 during the period from 1st December, 1906, to 23rd November, 1907.
- 7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the debate be adjourned until Thursday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be adjourned until Thursday next—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the. Bill without amend-

ment.

9. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill-Second reading.

Health Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

Studley Park Bridge Land Bill-Second reading.

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Adult Suffrage Bill—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Assembly to be considered.
- 2. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—Amendment of the Assembly to be considered.
- 3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 5. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 6. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 7. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 21st NOVEMBER, 1907.

Minutes and Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 27 and 28.

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

Friendly Societies Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council. How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. J. G. Aikman.) (To Members of Council only.)

Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill.—(Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.) (To-Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 51, 52, and 53.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 53.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 12.

Administration and Probate Bill-[10]. (To Members only.)

Fences Bill-[86].

Licensing Bill—[90].

The Old Colonists Association Bill—[94].

State School Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill-[97].

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed by Sir Alexander Peacock on Consideration of Report.) (To Members only.)

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No. 30.

MINUTES THE 0F **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1906—Part IX.—Production. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Postponement of Order of the Day. Ordered That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:-

Adult Suffrage Bill--Second reading.

4. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and agreed to by the Assembly with amendments having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

- 1. Clause 10, line 20, after "sale" insert "medi- Agreed to with the following amendment, cines or medical and surgical appliances." | Viz.:—Before "medicines" insert "of."
- 4. Clause 10, lines 31-2, omit "includes stepchildren, adopted children, or step-parents,' and insert "means members' wives unmarried sons and step-sons up to the age of eighteen years and unmarried daughters and stepdaughters under the age of twenty-one years and widowed mothers of unmarried members and brothers and sisters of unmarried members who are under the age of sixteen years being orphans or having only a widowed mother depending on the member."

Agreed to with the following amendments, viz:—In lin, 7, omit "widowed" and omit "unmarried." In line 8, omit "unmarried.'

Amendment 1, amendment of the Assembly, agreed to.

Amendment 4, amendments of the Assembly, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Assembly, acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council.

5. Money Lenders Act 1906 Amendment Bill .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read and

Clause 3, line 18, omit "of section ten."

Amendment agreed to, with the following consequential amendment, viz. :-At end of clause add "except interest."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Assembly, with a consequential amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

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6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to two 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.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 27th November, 1907.

Speaker,

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

7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Constitution of the Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with one of the said amendments, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 27th November, 1907.

Speaker.

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

8. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit-again.

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

9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Licensing Acts and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 27th November, 1907. Speaker.

- 10. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 11. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and, after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.

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

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

12. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill—Second reading.

Health Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Studley Park Bridge Land Bill—Second reading.

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
- 2. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into
- 3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assenbly—Hon, A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. Engineer-in-Chirf (Title Alteration) Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 5. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 6. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 7. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill-

(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.) (To Members of Council only.) (Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Walter S. Manifold.) (To Members of Council only.) (New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling.) (To Members of Council only.)

Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill .- (Amendments made by the Legislative Council.)-To Members of Council only.)

Railways Laws Further Amendment Bill. - (Amendments made by the Legislative Council. How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 54.

Mallee Leases Bill-[83].

Gobur Land Bill-[89].

Nyora and Woolamai Railway Construction Bill-[92].

Voting by Post Continuance Bill—[95].

Report on the proposed Nyora to Woolamai Railway.—Railways Standing Committee Report No. 4.

Melbourne University Report -No. 44.

Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Keast.) (To Members only.)

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No. 31.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further continue the Voting by Post Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 28th November, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 3. VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further extend the Term of certain Mollee Allotment Leases," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 28th November, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 5. MALLEE LEASES EXTENSION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 6. RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read, the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Amendment made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

Insert the following new clause to follow Clause 1:--

B. If any officer or employé of the Commissioners become insolvent or apply or take the benefit of any Act now or hereafter to be in force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or by any deed or other writing compound with his Disagreed with. creditors, or make an assignment of his salary for their benefit he shall be deemed to have forfeited his office unless he satisfies the Commissioners that such embarrassment has not been caused or attended by any fraud extravagance or dishonorable conduct.

The Hon. A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment to insert new clause B.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

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The Council divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan, W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans,

T. H. Payne.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. Balfour,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

F. Hagelthorn,

T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks,

W. Little,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

Dr. W. H. Embling,

R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause B.

7. GEELONG MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

. Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

Agreed to with the following

amendment, viz.:—At the end of the amendment of the Legis-

lative Council add-"In case the

2. Clause 25, line 15.—At the end of the clause insert—

"Notwithstanding anything in this Act the society known as the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatising Society may in accordance with the terms of the permission given to the society in that behalf as approved by the Minister of Water Supply on the sixth day of January One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, and unless and until the permission is withdrawn by the Governor in Council continue to occupy for fish breeding purposes so much of the land situate at the Lovely Banks service basin as on the appointed day is occupied by the society under the permission and the Trust shall continue to supply the said society with water for the purposes of the society free of charge as heretofore; but the Trust may with the approval of the Governor in Council enter on such land at any time to carry out any works; and neither the society nor any person (whether a member of the society or not) shall be entitled to or shall receive from or on behalf of His Majesty or the Trust any money or consideration by way of compensation in respect of or arising out of the society censing to occupy such land or the withdrawal of the permission or any such entry by the Trust."

Governor in Council at any time after the passing of this Act establishes a fish hatchery or occupies for fish breeding purposes any premises within the area of the Trust, the Trust notwithstanding anything in this Act shall supply water for the purposes of such hatchery or

premises free of charge."

4. Clause 36, line 21, omit "substantial and effective."

Disagreed with.

6. Clause 53, line 17.—At the end of the clause add-

"or in freezing works or in shipping other than shipping owned by the Commissioners or water supplied for profitable purposes."

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:-At the end of the amendment of the Legislative Council, add-

"but for water supplied for farming operations or in freezing works or for profitable purposes the Trust shall not charge a rate for every thousand gallons in excess of the minimum rate charged to ordinary consumers and for water supplied for use in shipping, other than shipping owned by the Commissioners, the Trust may charge a special rate."

Amendment 2, amendment of the Assembly agreed to. Amendment 4, after debate, not insisted on.

Amendment 6, amendment of the Assembly, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council, and do not insist on their amendment with which the Assembly have disagreed.

8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Licensing Acts and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council 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.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Amendment made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

(3) In the Schedule, third column, at end of the last paragraph but one, add—

"and the words 'and notwithstanding any such agreement where such sum is so deducted from any rent payable to an owner of the premises and such owner is himself a tenant of another person who is an owner within the meaning of the Licensing Acts such tenant may in like manner deduct from any rent payable by him a sum equal to the amount so deducted' are hereby inserted."

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.: — Omit the word "inserted" and insert in place thereof the words "added at the end of such section."

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the Council agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL —The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 28th November, 1907.

- 12. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 13. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill—Second reading. Health Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading. Studley Park Bridge Land Bill—Second reading. Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-Second reading.
- 3. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 4. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 5. Voting by Post Acts further Continuance Bill-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 6. MALLEE LEASES EXTENSION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 7. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 8. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY: --

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Murray Settlements Bill—[44]. (To Members of Council only). Mallee Leases Bill—[83]. (To Members of Council only.)

Voting by Post Continuance Bill-[95]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 55.

Water Supply Loans Application Bill-[101].

Victorian Railway Loan Bill-[103].

Consolidated Revenue Application Bill-[104].

Railway Loan Application Bill-[105].

Municipal Endowment Bill-[106].

Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.-(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Austey.) (To Members only.)

(Amendments and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Warde.) (To Members

(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Wilkins.) (To Members only)

(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Wikins.) (To Members only.)

Statement to accompany the Railway Loan Application Bill 1907. (To Members only.)

Water Supply Loans Application Bill.—Statement showing Proposed Loan Expenditure under the Bill now presented to Parliament. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

No. 32.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Amendment of Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

3. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved-That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906,'" and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 3 of such Bill.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd December, 1907.

5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to insert new clause B insisted on by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1907.

Speaker.

Speaker.

6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 3rd December, 1907.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow, 7543. (600 copies.)

7. Engineer-in-Chief (Title Alteration) Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Health Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

Studley Park Bridge Land Bill—Second reading.

Voting by Post Acts further Continuance Bill - Second reading.

Mallee Leases Extension Bill—Second reading.

Murray Settlement Bill-Second reading.

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

9. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Amendments of the Assembly to be considered.
- 2. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 3. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 4. VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 5. Mallee Leases Extension Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 6. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 7. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill—(from 'Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31.

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—

(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. James Balfour.) (To Members of Council only.) (New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. R. B. Rees.) (To Members of Council only.)

(To be proposed by the Hon. A. O. Sachse.) (To Members of Council only.)

Administration and Probate Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 54, 55, and 56.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 56.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 13.

Mines Bill—[78].

Municipal Endowment.—Statement showing Amount payable to Municipalities under New Classification, &c. (To Members only.)

Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Robertson.) (To

Members only.)
Report on Storage and Distribution of Water in the Wimmera and Southern Mallee Districts, &c.—
Railways Standing Committee Report No. 6. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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No. 33.

MINUTES OF THE **PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

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WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Forty-third Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY .- Ordered -That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:-

Adult Suffrage Bill.—Second reading.

- 4. Administration and Probate Act 1890 further Amendment Bill .- The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-
 - 1. Clause 2, page 1, line 8, after "administration" insert "with the will annexed." line 10, after "who" insert "(in a case where the deceased has left a will)." 2.
 - pages 1 and 2, omit all words after the word "shall" in line 11, page 1, down to 3. ,, and including the word "shall" at the end of line 1, page 2, and insert "after he has discharged his duties as such administrator in respect of any part or parts of the estate."
 - page 2, line 3, after "liabilities" insert "in respect of such part or parts of the 4. estate."
 - page 2, line 3, omit "executor and." 5. ,,
 - page 2, line 5, omit "executor and." 6. ,,
 - page 2, at end of clause add "unless the testator has appointed some other person 7. as trustee who is able and willing to act."
 - 8. Clause 3, line 14, omit "general remainder and."
 - line 16, omit "general remainder or." 9.
 - 10.
 - line 17, omit "general remainder and." line 17, after "residue" insert "(after providing for the payment of funeral and ,, 11. testamentary expenses ").
 - line 20, after "duty" insert "or the balance of the duty (as the case may be)." " line 23, after "purpose" insert "unless the testator has made a different disposition 12. 13.
 - as to the payment of the duty in his will." ,,
 - at the end of the clause add the following sub-sections :-14. "(3) Provided that the estates and interests of persons successively entitled to any property which is settled by will shall not for the purposes of this section be separately valued, but the total duty payable in respect of such estates and interests shall be borne by such property, and shall be
 - raised or charged against the corpus of such property.

 (4) In this section the word 'residue' includes any unbequeathed personalty and any undevised realty."
 - 15. Clause 4, paragraph (d), line 35, omit "domiciled" and insert "resident."
 - line 39, after "death" insert "or may pay over to the donor of the power of 16. ,,
 - attorney. tine 4% after " administrator" insert " or donor (as the case may fequire)." 17: 11 (1999 Supplement

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18. Clause 5, sub-section (1), line 4, after "or" insert "where an administrator."
                 sub-section (1), paragraph (b), line 7, after administrator;" add "or."
                 sub-section (1), paragraph (c), line 9, omit "or" at end of line.
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                 sub-section (1), paragraph (d), line 10, omit this paragraph.
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                 sub-section (1), lines 13 and 14, omit "as is mentioned in paragraphs (a) (b) or (c) hereof."
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                 sub-section (1), line 14, after "person" insert "or trustee company." sub-section (1), line 14, omit "executor or."
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                  sub-section (1), line 15, after "discharged" insert "or."
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                 sub-section (1), line 16, after "removed" omit "or dead."
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27.
                 sub-section (1), line 18, omit "executor or."
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                 sub-section (4), line 28, omit "executor or." sub-section (4), line 30, after "duties" insert "discretions."
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Escheat of real A. From and after the passing of this Act, where a person dies without estate. an heir and intestate in respect of any real estate consisting of any estate or 47 and 48 Vict., ch. interest whether legal or equitable in any incorporeal hereditament, or of any equitable estate or interest in any corporeal hereditament, whether devised or not devised to trustees by the will of such person, the law of escheat shall apply in the same manner as if the estate or interest above-mentioned were a legal estate in corporeal hereditaments. This section shall not affect the beneficial interest of the husband or wife of such person in such real estate.

B. (1) Any person or persons named expressly or especially or by implication as executor or executors who would be entitled to obtain probate of the will of any testator jointly with any other person or persons or company or companies may, any law or custom to the contrary notwithstanding, instead of himself or themselves applying for probate, authorize any trustee company to apply to the Supreme Court for probate of such will either alone with leave reserved for any person or persons or company or companies to come in and prove the same or Trustee company when authorized by an executor may obtain probate jointly with other executors. See No. 978 ss. 239 10 &c.

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jointly with any other person or persons entitled to apply for probate in the same manner as if the said trustee company so authorized as aforesaid had been originally named in the said will in the place of the person or persons authorizing such application.

- (2) Such application may if the court thinks fit be granted unless the testator shall by his will have expressed his desire that the office of executor is not to be delegated or that the trustee company so applying is not to act in the trusts of his will.
- 3) In this Act "trustee company" shall mean any company authorized by or under any Act of Parliament to act as executor administrator or trustee.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the several amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

5. Health Acts further Amendment Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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Insert the following new clauses:-

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

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

6. STUDLEY PARK BRIDGE LAND BILL.-This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

7. VOTING BY POST ACTS FURTHER CONTINUANCE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

8. MALLEE LEASES EXTENSION BILL .- This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

9. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Murray Settlement Bill—Second reading. Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 32.

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 3. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 57. Health Bill—[93]. (To Members only.) Rupanyup and Marnoo Railway Construction Bill—[107

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No. 34.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1907.

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

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 13.

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

- "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Alexandra-road to Alexandra Township."
- "An Act relating to Applications for Orders to Review Decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions or Justices."
- "An Act to provide for Indeterminate Sentences and for the Detention and Control of Habitual and other Criminals."
- "An Act to further amend the Friendly Societies Acts."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 3rd December, 1907.

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 5th December, 1907.

- 4. APPROPRIATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.

 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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6. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The Council divided—

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman, W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan.

D. Melville,

E. J. White.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

E. H. Austin.

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The Hon. W. L. Baillieu,

J. Balfour,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

E. J. Crooke, J. M. Davies,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

F. Hagelthorn,

T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks, W. Little,

T. Luxton,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

T. H. Payne, W. Pearson,

W. Pitt,

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. H. Edgar,

A. O. Sachse.

And so it passed in the negative,

Debate continued.

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.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loans Acts for Railways," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 5th December, 1907.

- 8. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 5th December, 1907.

10. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July One thousand nine hundred and eight," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 5th December, 1907.

- 12. Consolidated Revenue Application Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Murray Settlement Bill.—Second reading.
Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill.—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 33.

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. RAILWAY LOAN BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 2. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.
- 3. Consolidated Revenue Application Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 6. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 33. Victorian Railway Loan Bill—[103]. (To Members of Council only.)
Consolidated Revenue Application Bill—[104]. (To Members of Council only.) Railway Loan Application Bill-[105]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 58.

Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Bill-[98].

Railways Standing Committee Bill-[99]. Scripture Lessons Referendum Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Keast.) (To

 ${f Members}$ only.)

Gold Buyers Bill—[100]. Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill-[110].

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No. 35.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 6th December, 1907.

- 3. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to morrow.
- 4. PAPER .- The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:-

Regulations for the Disposal of Lands acquired under the Closer Settlement Act 1904 and the Closer Settlement Act 1906.

5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

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

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

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

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7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without

amendment.

8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Mines Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907. Speaker.

- 10. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday next.
- 11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Health Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

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

12. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

Pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Council, for their consideration, the following amendment, which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes":—

In clause 5, sub-clause (4), omit "removed or dead" and substitute "or removed."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor, and ordered the Message to be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.

13. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

Speaker.

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the following amendments, which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways":—

In sub-clause (1) of clause 17 omit the word "twelve" substitute "thirteen."

In sub-clause (2) of same clause omit the words "said provisions" substitute "provisions of this Act."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 10th December, 1907.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Murray Settlement Bill—Second reading.
Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 34.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. A. O. Sachse)-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 3 HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Message from Assembly to be considered.
- 4. Murray Settlement Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 5. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1 MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 6TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 34.

Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[101]. (To Members of Council only.)

Statement to accompany the Railway Loan Application Bill.—(To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 57, 58, 59, and 60.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 60.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 14.

Tolmie Railway Bill—[111]. Conveyancing Bill—[112].

Old Colonists Association Bill.—(To be proposed by Mr. Boyd.) (To Members only.) Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill.—(Amendment and New Clauses to be proposed

in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.) (To Members only.) Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Bent.) (To Members only.)

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No. 36.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President.

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act 1905, the Waterworks Districts of the following Waterworks Trusts shall, on and after the first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Sulply Commission, viz.:—

Birchip Waterworks Trust, Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust, Wimmera United Waterworks Trust, Wycheproof Waterworks Trust,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

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

3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed 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 in the process, trade, or business of—

(a) Glass blowers,

(b) Glass moulders,
(c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials,"

with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Sneeker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message he taken into consideration to-morrow. 7543. (600 copies.)

4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed 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 in the process, trade, or business of a maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be 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:—

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1907.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations—

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Law. Classification of General Division.—Department of Public Works. General Division.

6. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday next:—

Adult Suffrage Bill - Second reading.

7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered - That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890,' and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

9. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

- 10. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 11. Message from the Assembly. -- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nyora to Woolamai," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1967.

- 12. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 13. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railways Standing Committee Acts," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 14. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 15. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in The 'Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 11th December, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

- 16. OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
- 17. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after delate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

 House in Committee.

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

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

18. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to morrow:—

Health Acts further Amendment Bill—Message from Assembly to be considered. Murray Settlement Bill—Second reading.

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

Notices of Motion:-

- 1. The Hon. J. M. Davies: To move, That, during the remainder of this Session, the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.
- 2. The Hon. W. Pitt: To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Old Colonists Association Land Vesting Bill.

Contingent on the foregoing Motion being carried—

3. The Hon. W. Pitt: To move, That the Old Colonists Association Land Vesting Bill be now read a second time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Consideration of Report.
- 2. MURRAY SETTLEMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 3. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-(jrcin Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 4. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. W. Pitt)-Second reading.
- 5. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Message from Assembly to be considered.
- 6 MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 7. STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act 1905, the Waterworks Districts of the following Waterworks Trusts shall, on and after the first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:—

Birchip Waterworks Trust.

Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust.

Wimmera United Waterworks Trust.

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust."

To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

- 8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COARD.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of—
 - (a) Glass blowers.
 - (b) Glass moulders.
 (c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials."

To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

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- 9. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of a maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)
- 10. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading
- 11. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 35.

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

Nyora and Woolamai Railway Construction Bill—[92]. (To Members of Council only.)

The Old Colonists Association Bill—[94]. (To Members of Council only.)

Railways Standing Committee Bill—[99]. (To Members of Council only.)

Rupanyup to Marnoo Railway Construction Bill—[107]. (To Members of Council only.)

Water Supply Loans Application Bill.—Statement showing proposed Loan Expenditure, &c. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 61

Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill—

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

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

Finance 1906-7.—The Treasurer's Statement for Year ending 30th June, 1907. A.—No. 3.

Report on the proposed Rupanyup to Newall's Corner, Marnoo, Railway, &c.—Railways Standing Committee Report No. 5.

VICTORIA.

No. 37.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Adjournment.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the remarks of the Honorable the Chief Secretary, as reported in this day's Argus, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
- 3. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Municipal Endowment and the Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

Speaker.

- 4. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Closer Settlement Act 1904," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

- 6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to provide and maintain Sheep Dips and to contribute towards Public Agricultural and other Schools and Colleges," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 12th December, 1907. Speaker.

8. Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Pill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to morrow

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9. Message from the Assembly .- The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:--

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of portion of certain Land reserved as a Site for Public Purposes at Terang," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

Speaker.

- 10. TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

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

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 12th December, 1907.

- 12. Drainage of Land Act 1890 Amendment Bill .- On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 13. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to empower Municipal Councils to scour, cleanse, and keep open certain Drains constructed by Owners of Land," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with an amendment with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1907.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Clause 4, at end of clause add "nor to any Crown lands."

- On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Council agreed to the amendment made by the Assembly in this Bill, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them
- 14. Additional Day of Business.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That, during the remainder of this Session, the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the word "four" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "two."

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

The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, as a further amendment, That the word "eleven" be inserted in place of the word omitted.

Debate further continued.

Question—That the word "eleven" proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted -put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

E. H. Austin,

W. J. Evans,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks.

A. McLellan.

R. B. Rees, E. J. White.

Tellers.

E. J. Crooke,

J. Sternberg.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

W. H. Edgar,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

W. Little,

T. Luxton,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

Walter S. Manifold.

And so it passed in the negative,

Question—That the word "two" proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That during the remainder of this Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday, and that half-past two o'clock be the hour of meeting—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. OLD COLONISTS ASSOCIATION LAND VESTING BILL.—The Honorable W. Pitt moved, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Old Colonists Association Land Vesting Bill.

The President said—I wish to make a remark in regard to this motion. I think the honorary Minister has done well in giving us notice of the proposed suspension of the Standing Orders, so that the attention of the House may be called to it, and honorable members no doubt have considered the question whether the Standing Orders should be suspended or not. The Bill to which the motion applies is essentially a private Bill, and it is another instance of how we get drawn into the habit of passing private Bills as public measures. We have no material before us to show that the facts upon which the private Bills are passed are correct. It is a growing evil. I admit there is a difficulty in regard to our Standing Orders in relation to private Bills. The procedure is cumbersome and expensive. In this case the House will probably have no objection to agreeing to the motion. I wish to state that in the recess I intend to endeavour to suggest some shorter and simpler process by which, in connexion with these private Bills, we may have information, so that we may know what we are doing. In this case the House will, no doubt, agree to the motion, and I am glad that notice was given of it.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable W. Pitt 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 in Committee.

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

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

16. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report on this Bill having been read—

Ordered-That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 2.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 45.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 15. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, T. C. Harwood, T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, E. J. White. Tellers.T. H. Payne,

Noes, 14.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
E. H. Austin,
J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
F. Hagelthorn,
A. Hicks,
W. Little,
A. McLellan,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
W. J. Evans,
D. E. McBryde,

R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable T. C. Harwood, and after debate, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 40.

On the further motion of the Honorable E. Miller, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 44.

The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 47.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Aves, 15.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. D. Brown,
W. Cain,
J. C. Campbell,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
F. Hagelthorn,
Walter S. Manifold,
J. Y. McDonald,
D. Melville,

Tellers.
E. J. Crooke,
T. Luxton.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
T. C. Harwood,
A. Hicks,
W. Little,
D. E. McBryde,
A. McLellan.
W. Pitt,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
E. H. Austin,
A. O. Sachse.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

R. B. Rees, E. J. White.

House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee,

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That this Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 11.

Debate ensued. .

Question—put and negatived.

On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt the Report, by leave, was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

18. Mines Acts further Amendment Bill.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

Notice being taken that a quorum of Members was not present, the President counted the House, and, a quorum not being present, the President, at twenty-two minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned the Council, without question being first put, until to-morrow.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 36.

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1 MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading. Resumption of debate (Hon. J. Sternberg).
- 2. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 3. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 4. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Message from Assembly to be considered.
- 5. STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act 1905, the Waterworks Districts of the following Waterworks Trusts shall, on and after the first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:—

Birchip Waterworks Trust.

Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust.

Wimmera United Waterworks Trust.

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust."

To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

- 5. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of—
 - (a) Glass blowers.
 - (b) Glass moulders.
 - (c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials."

To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

- 7. Factories and Shops Acts—Appointment of Special Board.—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of a maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers."—To be taken into consideration.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)
- 8. Municipal Endowment and Reclassification of Shires and Boroughs Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 9. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)
 —Second reading.

- 10. MUNICIPALITIES' POWERS EXTENSION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 11. TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse)—Second reading.
- 12. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading
- 13. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. Drainage of Land Act 1890 Amendment Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. Walter S. Manifold)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.

Drainage of Land Bill—[88]. (To Members of Council only.)

Closer Settlement Bill—[102]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Endowment Bill—[106]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipalities' Powers Extension Bill—[110]. (To Members of Council only.)

Terang Land Bill—[113]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 62.

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill.—(New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Bayles.) (To Members only.)

No. 38.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Additions to Regulations under the Land Acts.

3. MINES ACTS 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, was read, and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report be now adopted.

Objection being taken to the Bill being further proceeded with-

The President said—The Attorney-General moves that the report of the Committee be adopted forthwith, and he does so on the ground of urgency. If that is so the objection of the honorable member does not apply, because the Standing Order provides that Bills of urgency may be pa-sed through with unusual despatch. At the same time it is for the House to judge whether there is urgency or not in this instance. If there is urgency the Bill will go through, and it is beyond the power of any one honorable member to stop it.

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

and Bill read a third time and passed.

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

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council 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.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

Ordered-That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration this day.

5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

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The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to establish Two Permanent Railway Reserve Funds," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

Speaker.

- 6. RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 7. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the Mallee Country and near the Murray River and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

8. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

9. NYORA TO WOOLAMAI RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

10. HEALTH ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read, and is as follows:-

Insert the following new clause:—

A. In section thirty-five of the Pure Food Act 1905 after the words "No article of food" there shall be inserted the words "or other article or substance or compound."

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

11. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the Mines Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

12. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the City of Prahran and the Town of Malvern and for the Constitution of the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

13. Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill.—On the motion of the Honorable T. Luxton the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

The Honorable T. Luxton moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to the Prahran and Malvern Tramways Trust Constitution Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz .:-"That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the Water Act 1905, the Waterworks Districts of the following Waterworks Trusts shall, on and after the first day of July, 1908, be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:-

Birchip Waterworks Trust,

Western Wimmera Waterworks Trust, Wimmera United Waterworks Trust,

Wycheproof Waterworks Trust, having been read-

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to the foregoing resolution. Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

15. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

3. Clause 7, omit the following paragraph "(a) for the words 'employed either inside or outside a factory or workroom' there shall be substituted the words 'wheresoever employed;' and." lines 41-2, omit "either generally or in any specified process trade or business." page 3, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District." 4.

11. Insert the following new clause: - To follow clause 9-

- M. In sub-section (2) of section seventy-six of the Principal Act after the word "concerned" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed," and after the word "trade" there shall be inserted the words "and within three years previous to being so appointed."
- 14. Clause 17, omit this clause.
- 15. Clause 18, omit this clause.
- 16. Clause 20, omit this clause.
- 17. Clause 23, omit this clause.
- 23. Clause 40, line 29, omit "or whenever demanded by the Chief Inspector."

27. Clause 42, line 26, after "person" insert "within the Metropolitan District."
28. "lines 32-7, omit "Provided that in cities towns and beroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough."

34. Clause 47, at end of clause add-

Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants, shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:—

On Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday from the hour of eight o'clock. On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is

chosen by the shopkeeper. On Saturday

(a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clocb.

(b) from the hour of ten o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was one o'clock.

Amendments 2 and 3, after debate, insisted on.

 ${f A}$ mendment 4 insisted on.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 8.

The Honorable A. McLellan moved, as an amendment, That the Council amend their amendment by adding after "District" the words "and to cities, towns and boroughs."

Debate ensued.

Question-That the Council amend their amendment by adding after "District" the words "and to cities, towns and boroughs "-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13. The Hon. J. G. Aikman E. H. Austin J. Balfour E. J. Crooke J. M. Davies W. H. Edgar A. Hicks J. Y. McDonald A. McLellan W. Pitt J. Sternberg. Tellers. W. J. Evans A. O. Sachse.

Noes, 14. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott W. L. Baillieu W. Cain J. C. Campbell F. Hagelthorn T. C. Harwood T. Luxton Walter S Manifold D. Melville E. Miller T. H. Payne R. B. Rees.

> Tellers. J. D. Brown Dr. W. H. Embling.

The Honorable A. Hicks moved, as a further amendment, That the Council amend their amendment by adding after "District" the words "and to Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong."

Question-That the Council amend their amendment by adding after "District" the words "and to Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong"—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question-That the Council insist on their amendment as amended-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 11, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 14 insisted on.

Amendment 15, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 16 insisted on.

Amendments 17 and 23, after debate, insisted on.

Amendments 27 and 28 insisted on.

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

SATURDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1907.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 34.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman

J. Balfour

J. M. Davies

W. H. Edgar

Dr. W. H. Embling

W. J. Evans

A. Hicks

J. Y. McDonald

A. McLellan

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E. Miller

T. H. Payne R. B. Rees.

F. Hagelthorn

And so it passed in the negative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, but have amended one of such amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Assembly therein.

16. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:-

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing Settlement in the Tolmie District and for other purposes," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

Speaker.

17. TOLMIE AND TOOMBULLUP LAND SETTLEMENT AND RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

The Honorable W. Pitt moved, That the second reading of this Bill be made an Order of the Day for this day.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the words "this day" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Tuesday next."

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

Question-That the words "Tuesday next" be inserted in place of the words omitted-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered-That the Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

18. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council the accompanying communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments, calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the ⁶Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement

between the said Associations and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed that such error be corrected by the omission of the word "from' in line 14 of clause 2, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

Parliament House, Melbourne, 13th December, 1907.

I do myself the honour to report, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error has been discovered in the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes":-

In clause 2, lines 14-15, the word "from" has been twice inserted.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Parliaments.

The Honorable the Speaker, &с.,

On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical error discovered in the Old Colonists Association Land Vesting Bill, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott J. G. Aikman J. D. Brown W. Cain J. C. Campbell T. C. Harwood A. Hicks Walter S. Manifold J. Sternberg.

Tellers. D. Melville E. Miller.

Noes, 14. The Hon. W. L. Baillieu J. M. Davies W.H. Edgar W. J. Evans F. Hagelthorn T. Luxton J. Y. McDonald A. McLellan T. H. Payne W. Pitt R. B. Rees A. O. Sachse.

> Tellers.E. J. Crooke Dr. W. H. Embling.

And so it passed in the negative.

20. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

21. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of-

(a) Glass blowers,

(b) Glass moulders, (c) A maker of all kinds of glass utensils (except cut glass utensils), including glass bottles, glass jars, glass jugs, glass globes, tumblers, salt cellars, and vials, having been read-The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council agree to the foregoing resolution.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered -That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

22. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS-APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL BOARD.-The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in 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 in the process, trade, or business of a maker of picture frames, including art picture frames, framed mirrors, and overmantels other than overmantels usually made by cabinetmakers, having been read-

The Honorable A. O. Sachse move!, That the Council agree to the foregoing resolution.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered.—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

- 23. MUNICIPALITIES' POWERS EXTENSION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. Pitt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- 24. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT AND RECLASSIFICATION OF SHIRES AND BOROUGHS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without

amendment.

25. PRAHRAN AND MALVERN TRAMWAYS TRUST CONSTITUTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

26. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

27. TERANG LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

28. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

29. RAILWAY RESERVE FUNDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered -That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

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30. DRAINAGE OF LAND ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Crder, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amend-

ment.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 37.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1907.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Tolmie and Toombullup Land Settlement and Railway Construction Bill—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading.
- 2. MUNICIPALITIES' POWERS EXTENSION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. E. Miller.)
- 3. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37. Tolmie Railway Bill—[111]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 63.

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No. 39.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 The Weeks Claim Inquiry Board.—Report and Minutes of Evidence.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. Tolmie and Toombullup Land Settlement and Railway Construction Bill.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
- 4. MUNICIPALITIES' POWERS EXTENSION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 5. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of Railways for developing Settlement in the Tolmie District and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly,
Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

FRANK MADDEN, Speaker. 6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in such Bill, do not insist on disagreeing with others of the said amendments, insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit paragraph (a) of clause 7, but have amended the said paragraph, and insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 18, but have made amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1907.

And the said amendments were read, and are as follow:-

Amendments made by the Council.

2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

- 3. Clause 7, omit the following paragraph "(a) for the words 'employed either inside or outside a factory or workroom' there shall be substituted the words 'wheresoever employed;' and."
- 4. " lines 41-2, omit "either generally or in any specified process trade or business."
- 8. " page 3, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."
- 14. Clause 17, omit this clause.

- 15. Clause 18, omit this clause.
- 16. Clause 20, omit this clause.
- 17. Clause 23, omit this clause.
- 27. Clause 42, line 26, after "person" insert "within the Metropolitan District."

How dealt with.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council.

Disagreement with amendment to omit paragraph (a) of clause 7 insisted on by the Assembly, but the following amendment made in the said paragraph, viz.:— After "shall" insert "so far only as regards any process trade business or occupation mentioned in paragraph (b) of section seven of the Factories and Shops Act 1907 except sellers of small goods."

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council with the following amendment, viz., after "Metropolitan District" add "and to Ballarat Bendigo and Geelong."

Disagreed with by the Assembly.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly, but the said clause amended to read as follows:— "18. The Court of Industrial Appeals may revise or alter its own determination at any time, and from time to time on the application of either the representatives of employers or representatives of employers or the Special Board."

Insisted on by the Council.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Amendments made by the Council.

28. Clause 42, lines 32-7, omit "Provided that in cities towns and boroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening Saturday, on but there shall in such case be no such carting or delivery by such personafter four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly halfholiday is observed in such

34. Clause 47, at end of clause add—

city town borough."

Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:—

On Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday from the hour of eight o'clock.

On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is chosen by the shopkeeper.

On Saturday-

(a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clock.

(b) from the hour of ten o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was one o'clock. How dealt with

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council.

Disagreed with by the Assembly

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not now insist on amendment 2.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question-put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered-That the debate be adjourned until te-morrow.

7. Adjournment.—The Hon. J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 38.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1907.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:-

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Hon. A. McLellan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:-

- 1. Factories and Shors Acts Amendment Bill-Message from the Assembly-To be taken into consideration.
- 2. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-(from Assembly-Hon. J. M. Davies)-Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council.) (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 64.

No. 40.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1907.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable A. McLellan the following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—
 - Adult Suffrage Bill—Second reading.

Ordered-That the said Bill be withdrawn.

8. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies the following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

Stamps Acts further Amendment Bill-Second reading.

Ordered-That the said Bill be withdrawn.

4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read, the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with.

- 2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."
- 3. Clause 7, omit the following paragraph "(a) for the words 'employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room' there shall be substituted the words 'wheresoever employed;' and."
- 4. " lines 41-2, omit "either generally or in any specified process trade or business."
- 8. ,, page 3, at end of clause add
 "This section applies
 only to the Metropolitan
 District."

Insisted on by the Council.

Disagreement with amendment to omit paragraph (a) of Clause 7 insisted on by the Assembly, but the following amendment made in the said paragraph, viz.:

—After "shall" insert "so far only as regards any process trade business or occupation mentioned in paragraph (b) of section seven of the Factories and Shops Act 1907 except sellers of small goods."

Disagreement insisted on by

the Assembly.

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Insisted on by the Council with the following amendment, viz., after "Metropolitan District" add "and to Ballarat Bendigo and Geelong."

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

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14. Clause 17, omit this clause.

15. Clause 18, omit this clause.

16. Clause 20, omit this clause.

17. Clause 23, omit this clause.

27. Clause 42, line 26, after "person" insert "within the Metropolitan District."

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lines 32-7, omit "Provided that in cities towns and beroughs outside the Metropolitan District such carting or delivery may be continued by any person up till eight o'clock in the evening on Saturday, but there shall in such case be no such carting delivery by such person after four o'clock in the evening on the day on which the usual weekly half-holiday is observed in such city town or borough."

34. Clause 47, at end of clause add-

Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:—

On Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday from the hour of eight o'clock.

On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is chosen by the shop-keeper.

On Saturday-

- (a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clock.
- (b) from the hour of ten
 o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was
 one o'clock.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly, but the said clause amended to read as follows:—

"18. The Court of Industrial Appeals may revise or alter its own determination at any time and from time to time on the application of either the representatives of employers or representatives of employés on the Special Board."

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Coun-

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

The Honorable T. C. Harwood moved, as an amendment, That the Council insist on their amendment with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "applies only to the Metropolitan District," and insert in place thereof the words "and sections seven, twenty, twenty-three, and forty-two of this Act shall apply to all cities and towns (except the town of Warrnambool) and may from time to time be extended by the Governor in Council to the town of Warrnambool and to any borough or to any part or parts of a shire within ten miles of any such city town (including the town of Warrnambool) or borough."

Debate ensued.

The Honorable F. Brawn moved, as a further amendment, That the words "(except the town of Warrnambool) and may from time to time be extended by the Governor in Council to the town of Warrnambool" and the words "(including the town of Warrnambool)" be omitted from the proposed amendment.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted from the proposed amendment be omitted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Motion—That the Council do not now insist on amendment 2, by leave, withdrawn.

Question-That the Council insist on their amendment with the following amendment, viz. :- Omit "applies only to the Metropolitan District" and insert "and sections seven, twenty, twenty-three, and forty-two of this Act shall apply to all cities and towns and to any borough or to any part or parts of a shire within ten miles of any such city town or borough."—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 3 not now insisted on, and amendment of the Assembly agreed to.

Amendment 4, after debate, not now insisted on.

Amendment 8 not now insisted on.

Amendment 14, after debate, still insisted on.

Amendment 15, after debate, not now insisted on, and amendment of the Assembly agreed to.

Amendments 16, 17, and 27, not now insisted on.

Amendment 28, after debate, still insisted on.

The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not now insist on amendment 34.

Debate ensued.

Question - put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

J. Balfour,

F. Brawn,

W. Cain, J. C. Campbell,

J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar,

T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks,

Walter S. Manifold,

J. Y. McDonald,

A. McLellan,

W. Pitt.

A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

Dr. W. H. Embling,

W. J. Evans.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. Little,

T. Luxton,

D. E. McBryde,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

J. D. Brown,

W. Pearson.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the

Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on others of the said amendments, do not insist on two of their amendments, but have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on such amendments, and still insist on their amendment in clause 2 with an amendment, and desiring the concurrence of the Assembly therein.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.



No. 41.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1907.

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

R. TALBOT,

Governor of Victoria. .

Message No. 15.

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

"An Act to provide for the Constitution of a Municipal Waterworks Trust for the Supply of Water to Geelong and District and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the 'Money Lenders Act 1906."

"An Act to further amend the Laws relating to the Victorian Railways."

"An Act to alter the style or title of the Engineer-in-Chief or Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Victorian Railways to that of Chief Engineer for Railway Construction.

"An Act to further amend the 'Administration and Probate Act 1890' and for other purposes."

"An Act to authorize the re-vesting in the Crown of certain Land granted to Trustees as and for a Road and Approaches to Studley Park Bridge and as and for a Site for a Toll House and Out Offices in connexion with such Bridge the cancellation of the Crown Grant and for

"An Act to further continue the Voting by Post Acts."

"An Act to further extend the Term of certain Mallee Allotment Leases."

"An Act to authorize the Treasurer to pay to the Commissioners of Savings Banks and the Trust Funds Trustees certain moneys not later than the last day of July One thousand nine hundred and eight."

"An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and other purposes."

"An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways."

"An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes.

"An Act to empower Municipal Councils to scour cleanse and keep open certain Drains constructed by Owners of Lands.

"An Act to vest in 'The Old Colonists Association' Land situated in the City of Fitzroy whereof the 'Australasian Dramatic and Musical Association' is the Crown Grantee in pursuance of an Agreement between the said Associations and for other purposes. "An Act to provide for Settlement on certain Crown Lands situate in the Mallee Border and the

Mallee Country and near the Murray Riv: r and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 16th December, 1907.

3. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :-

Public Service Acts.—Regulations—

Stores and Transport.

Classification of General Division. - Department of Public Works.

Classification of Professional Division.—Department of Law.

4. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:

Mr. President,

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled " An Act to amend the Law relating to Gold Buyers," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 18th December, 1907.

- 5. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time this day.
- 6. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly :-

MR. PRESIDENT.

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments in such Bill still insisted on by the Legislative Council, and do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 2 of such Bill, but have agreed to the said amendment as amended by the Legislative Council with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

> FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 18th December, 1907.

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

Amendment made by the Council.

How dealt with. .

2. Clause 2, at end of clause add "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."

Disagreed with, and disagreement insisted on by the Assembly.

Insisted on by the Council the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "applies only to the Metropolitan District", and insert ' and sections seven, twenty, twentythree, and forty-two of this Act shall apply to all cities and towns and to any borough or to any part or parts of a shire within ten miles of any such city town or borough."

Disagreement not now insisted on by the Assembly, but amendment of the Council as amended agreed to with the following amendment, Before "to any" in line 11, insert "may from time to time be extended by the Governor in Council."

On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, and after debate, the Council agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 2, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

7. GOLD BUYERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. . House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 8, 28, and 46.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the

Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

.8. Message from the Assembly.—The President announced the receipt of the following Message from the Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Gold Buyers," and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly, Melbourne, 19th December, 1907. FRANK MADDEN, Speaker.

9. Adjournment.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, 14th January next.

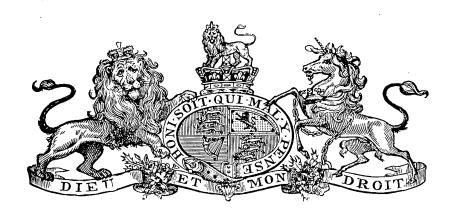
Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-nine minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 14th January next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Reginald Arthur James Talbot, Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

THE Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue The Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the fourth day of February, 1908.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twenty-third day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in the seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

[L.s.]

R. TALBOT.

By His Excellency's Command,

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT).

APPOINTED (SEE ACT No. 1899) 6TH AUGUST, 1907.

The Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling

The Hon. D. Melville.

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1907.

No. 1.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE OPENING SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Appointed 10th July, 1907.

The Hon, F. Hagelthorn

W. L. Baillieu

F. Brawn

J. C. Campbell

The Hon. T. Luxton

J. Y. McDonald T. H. Payne.

No. 2. -ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 16th July, 1907.

The Hon, J. G. Aikman

J. Balfour

W. Cain

Dr. W. H. Embling

The Hon. T. C. Harwood

Walter S. Manifold

D. Melville.

No. 3.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 23rd July, 1907.

The Hon. the President

J. Balfour

J. M. Davies

N. FitzGerald

T. C. Harwood

The Hon, Walter S. Manifold

D. E. McBryde E. Miller

T. H. Payne

J. Sternberg.

No. 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

Appointed 23rd July, 1907.

The Hon. the President

W. L. Baillieu W. Cain

The Hon. J. Y. McDonald

W. Pitt.

No. 5.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 23rd July, 1907.

The Hon. the President

J. D. Brown

Dr. W. H. Embling

The Hon. D. Melville-

T. H. Payne.

No. 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

Appointed 23rd July, 1907.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman

J. C. Campbell T. Luxton

The Hon. J. Y. McDonald

A. O. Sachse.

No. 7.—PRINTING.

Appointed 23rd July, 1907.

The Hon. the President

F. Brawn W. H. Edgar

W. J. Evans F. Hagelthorn The Hon. A. Hicks

W. Little

A. McLellan

W. Pearson

R. B. Rees.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Briracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1.—Railways Laws further Amendment Bill.—Clause 7:—

Restrictions with regard to Pay of Officers and Employés.

(1) No order shall be made by any Court Judge or Justice for the attachment of the salary or wages or pay of any officer or employé within the meaning of the Railways Acts.

(2) No assignment made after the coming into operation of this section by any such officer or employé of the whole or any part of his salary or wages or pay as an officer or employé of the said Board or Commissioners shall have any force or validity anything in any law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding.

(3) This section shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and eight.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (1) be omitted —(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

Question—That sub-clause (1) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. L. Baillieu,
F. Brawn,
J. D. Brown,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
D. E. McBryde,
J. Y. McDonald,
A. McLellan,
E. Miller,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse.

Tellers. W. J. Evans, T. Luxton. Noes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. Balfour,
W. Cain,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
T. C. Harwood,
A. Hicks,
W. Little,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. Melville,
W. Pearson,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
E. H. Austin,
R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. 7545.

No. 2.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 7:—

Restrictions with regard to Pay of Officers and Employés.

(1) No order shall be made by any Court Judge or Justice for the attachment of the

salary or wages or pay of any officer or employé within the meaning of the Railways Acts.

(2) No assignment made after the coming into operation of this section by any such officer or employé of the whole or any part of his salary or wages or pay as an officer or employé of the said Board or Commissioners shall have any force or validity anything in any law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding.

(3) This section shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine

hundred and eight.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "to registered money lenders or their assigns" be inserted after the word "made" in sub-clause (2).—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

E. H. Austin,

J. Balfour,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks,

T. Luxton,

D. E. McBryde, R. B. Rees,

E. J. White.

Tellers.

W. L. Baillieu,

F. Brawn.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,

W. Cain,

J. M. Davies,

W. J. Evans,

W. Little,

Walter S. Manifold,

J. Y. McDonald,

A. McLellan,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pearson, W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

W. H. Edgar.

And so it passed in the negative

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1907.

No. 1.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 12:—

- (1) Unless authorized by the Commissioners so to do no person shall sell or exchange or transfer or offer to sell or exchange or transfer in the State of Victoria the whole or any part of any ticket.
- (2) No legal proceedings shall unless expressly authorized in writing by the Attorney-General be taken against any person for a contravention of this section.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or transfer" wherever occurring be omitted.—(Hon. J. Balfour.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

J. M. Davies,

A. McLellan,

E. Miller, T. H. Payne,

W. Pearson,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

A. Hicks,

T. Luxton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

J. Balfour,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

E. H Austin,

W. J. Evans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 16:—

(1) In any prosecution for a contravention of the provisions of section twelve of this Act, the onus of proof that he has not been guilty of such a contravention shall be on the defendant.

(2) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of any of the said provisions shall be deemed guilty of an offence and shall on conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions be liable to a penalty for a first offence of not more than Twenty pounds and for a second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not less than Twenty pounds or more than One hundred pounds or to imprisonment for any term of not more than three months or to both such penalty and imprisonment.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (1) be omitted.—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)
Question—That the sub-clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown,

J. M. Davies,

T. Luxton,

J. Y. McDonald,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. Cain,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

D. Melville,

J. Sternberg,

E. J. White.

Tellers.

W. L. Baillieu,

R. B. Rees.

No. 2.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 16:—

(1) In any prosecution for a contravention of the provisions of section twelve of this Act,

the onus of proof that he has not been guilty of such a contravention shall be on the defendant.

(2) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of any of the said provisions shall be deemed guilty of an offence and shall on conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions be liable to a penalty for a first offence of not more than Twenty pounds and for a second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not less than Twenty pounds or more than One hundred pounds or to imprisonment for any term of not more than three months or to both such penalty and imprisonment.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Twenty," in line 5, be omitted, with a view to insert in place the word "Five."—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 14. The Hon. J. G. Aikman, W. L. Baillieu, J. M. Davies, Dr. W. H. Embling, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, R. B. Rees, A. O. Sachse. Tellers. J. D. Brown, E. J. White.

Noes, 7. The Hon. J. Balfour, W. Cain, W. J. Evans, T. C. Harwood, D. Melville.

> Tellers.R. H. S. Abbott, J. Sternberg.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 16:-

(1) In any prosecution for a contravention of the provisions of section twelve of this Act, the onus of proof that he has not been guilty of such a contravention shall be on the defendant.

(2) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of any of the said provisions shall be deemed guilty of an offence and shall on conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions be liable to a penalty for a first offence of not more than Twenty pounds and for a second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not less than Twenty pounds or more than One hundred pounds or to imprisonment for any term of not more than three months or to both such penalty and imprisonment.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "less than Twenty pounds or," in line 6, be omitted.— (Hon. J. Balfour.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 8. The Hon. J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, J. Y. McDonald, T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse.

> Tellers. T. Luxton, A. McLellan.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, W. L. Baillieu, J. Balfour, W. Cain, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, T. C. Harwood, D. Melville, E. Miller, J. Sternberg, E. J. White.

Tellers. J. G. Aikman, R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—Railways Laws further Amendment Bill.—Clause 16 (amended):—

(1) In any prosecution for a contravention of the provisions of section twelve of this Act, the onus of proof that he has not been guilty of such a contravention shall be on the defendant.

(2) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of any of the said provisions shall be deemed guilty of an offence and shall on conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions be liable to a penalty for a first offence of not more than Twenty pounds and for a second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not more than Forty pounds or to imprisonment for any term of not more than three months or to both such penalty and imprisonment.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or to imprisonment for any term of not more than three months or to both such penalty and imprisonment."—(Hon. J. Balfour.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10. Noes, 10. The Hon. W. L. Baillieu The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, J. D. Brown, J. G. Aikman, J. M. Davies, J. Balfour, A. McLellan, W. Cain, E. Miller, T. C. Harwood, T. H. Payne, D. Melville, W. Pitt, R. B. Rees, A. O. Sachse. E. J. White. Tellers. Tellers.T. Luxton. W. J. Evans, J. Y. McDonald. J. Sternberg.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectivel or equal—the Chairman gave his vote with the Ayes in order to allow of further consideration o subject, and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1907.

No. 5.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Proposed new clause B (as amended):—

If any officer or employé of the Commissioners become insolvent or apply to take the benefit of any Act now or hereafter to be in force for the relief of insolvent debtors, or by any deed or other writing compound with his creditors, or make an assignment of his salary for their benefit, he shall be deemed to have forfeited his office unless he satisfies the Commissioners that such embarrassment has not been caused or attended by any fraud, extravagance, or dishonorable conduct.—(Hon. R. B. Rees.)

Question—That new clause B, as amended, be added to the Bill—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 11. Noes, 9. The Hon. J. Balfour, The Hon. J. D. Brown, W. Cain, J. M. Davies, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. H. Edgar, T. C. Harwood, D. Melville, T. H. Payne, W. Little, T. Luxton, W. Pitt, J. Y. McDonald, A. O. Sachse. R. B. Rees, E. J. White. Tellers. W. J. Evans, Tellers.A. McLellan. R. H. S. Abbott, J. Sternberg.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6.—RAILWAYS LAWS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Proposed new clause F:—

That on all Government Railways and Tramways in the State of Victoria eight hours per day or forty-eight hours per week shall constitute a day's or week's work respectively wherever practicable as proved by its application in other States—(Hon. W. J. Evans). Question—That new clause F be added to the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans.

Tellers.
A. McLellan,
J. Sternberg.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Cain,
J. M. Davies,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
T. C. Harwood,
W. Little,
J. Y. McDonald,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pitt,
R. B. Rees,
A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.
T. Luxton,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 4,

Brtracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Forests Bill.—Clause 16:—

(1) Subject to any adjustment of boundaries made as hereinafter provided all unoccupied Crown land within the areas mentioned in the First Schedule to this Act and all land dedicated as permanent forests as hereinafter provided shall be permanent forests.

-(Hon. W. Pitt.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "but the Governor in Council may at any time excise from the said permanent forests so described in the First Schedule hereto an area of 90,000 acres or thereabouts, being the whole of the water-sheds of the O'Shannassy River and the tributaries thereto and the whole of the water-sheds of the River Yarra and the tributaries thereto above its junction with Walsh's Creek, and may vest the same in the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works upon trust for the purposes set forth in and under the provisions contained in the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts: Provided nevertheless that the Minister of Forests shall retain the right to enter the said area for all forestry purposes under this Act under regulations to be made by the Governor in Council in respect thereof be added to sub-clause (1),"—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
W. Cain,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
T. C. Harwood,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
E. Miller,
J. Sternberg.

T. Luxton,

A. McLellan.

The Hon. E. H. Austin,
E. J. Crooke,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
W. Little,
J. Y. McDonald,
W. Pitt,
R. B. Rees,
A. O. Sachse.

Noes, 11.

Tellers.
R. H. S. Abbott,
W. L. Baillieu.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectively eleven or equal—the Chairman gave his vote with the Noes in order to allow of further consideration of the subject, and declared the question to have been passed in the negative.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT $0 \, \mathrm{F}$ DIVISIONS

THE WHOLE COUNCIL. COMMITTEE OF

No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Friendly Societies Bill.—Clause 10:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act a registered society or branch having for or including in its objects the dispensing of medicines to members their husbands wives widows children or kindred may employ a registered pharmaceutical chemist to supply medicines or medical and surgical appliances (whether in consideration of contributions by such members to such society or branch or to some other registered society or branch or by sale).

-(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "on the prescription only of the medical practitioner of the society or branch to which such member belongs" be inserted after the words "branch or" in line 5.—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

Further amendment proposed—That the proposed amendment be amended by omitting therefrom the word "only."—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

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

Committee divided.

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Ayes, 12.

The Hon. E. H. Austin

J. Balfour

J. D. Brown

Dr. W. H. Embling

T. C. Harwood

Walter S. Manifold J. Y. McDonald

E. Miller

T. H. Payne

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

T. Luxton.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. J. M. Davies

A. McLellan

W. Pitt

A. O. Sachse

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott

W. J. Evans.

No. 2.—FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Clause 10:—

- (1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act a registered society or branch having for or including in its objects the dispensing of medicines to members their husbands wives widows children or kindred may employ a registered pharmaceutical chemist to supply medicines or medical and surgical appliances (whether in consideration of contributions by such members to such society or branch or to some other registered society or branch or by sale).
 - (2) Such medicines and appliances shall not be supplied or sold to persons other than—
 - (a) ordinary bond tide members of such society or branch or of some other registered society or branch who are subject to all the obligations and entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership of the society or branch to which such members belong or knorary members who pay for medical benefits; or
 - (b) the husbands wives widows children or kindred of such members.
- (3) In this section "children or kindred" includes step-children adopted children or step-parents.—(Hon. A. O. Sasche.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "on the prescription only of the medical practitioner of the society or branch to which such member belongs" be inserted after the words "branch or" in line 5.—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

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

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman

J. Balfour

J. D. Brown

J. M. Davies

Dr. W. H. Embling

T. C. Harwood

T. Luxton

Walter S. Manifold

J. Y. McDonald

E. Miller

T. H. Payne

W. Pitt

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

E. H. Austin

R. B. Rees.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes. 4.

The Hon. W. J. Evans

A. McLellan.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott

J. Sternberg.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 6.

Uxtracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Friendly Societies Acts further Amendment Bill.—Clause 10 (amended)—

(1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act a registered society or branch having for or including in its objects the dispensing of medicines to members their husbands wives widows children or kindred may employ a registered pharmaceutical chemist to supply medicines or medical and surgical appliances (whether in consideration of contributions by such members to such society or branch or to some other registered society or branch or on the prescription only of the medical practitioner of the society or branch to which such member belongs by sale).

—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "on the prescription only of the medical practitioner of the or branch to which such member belongs," in lines 5-6 be omitted.—(Hon. A. O. society Sachse.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold.

Tellers.

W. Cain, R. B. Rees. Noes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. L. Baillieu,

J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar,

A. Hicks, A. McLellan,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

J. G. Aikman,

W. J. Evans.

And so it passed in the negative.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLYREPORT $0 \, \mathrm{F}$ DIVISIONS

COMMITTEE \mathbf{OF} THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 7.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Geelong Municipal Waterworks Trust Bill.—Clause 36:—

Save as hereinafter provided every such contract—

(a) shall be in writing and shall specify the work to be done and the materials to be furnished and the price to be paid for the same and the time or times within which the work is to be completed or materials furnished and the penalties to be suffered in case of non-performance thereof;

(b) may if the Trust thinks fit also specify the person to whose satisfaction the same are to be completed or furnished and the mode of determining any dispute which may

arise concerning or in consequence of such contract;

(c) shall contain a condition that a minimum rate of wage for a maximum number of hours shall be paid by the contractor to his employés engaged in the carrying out of such contract; and

(d) shall specify that in obtaining goods machinery or material for the service of the Trust substantial and effective preference shall be given by the Trust to such goods machinery or material manufactured or produced in the Commonwealth .-(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "substantial and effective" in paragraph (d) be omitted. —(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. J. D. Brown

W. J. Evans

A. Hicks

A. McLellan

W. Pitt

J. Sternberg.

J. G. Aikman

W. H. Edgar.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott

J. Balfour

E. J. Crooke J. M. Davies

Dr. W. H. Embling

T. C. Harwood

W. Little

J. Y. McDonald

D. Melville

E. Miller

T. H. Payne E. J. White.

Tellers.

F. Brawn

D. E. McBryde.

And so it passed in the negative. 7545.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

No. 2.—Infant Life Protection Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Clause 6:-

The Governor in Council may, if deemed desirable, establish Maternity Homes, Infant Asylums, and also separate Cottage Homes for the care of infants and their mothers.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Foundling Hospitals" be inserted after the word "Asylums." -(Hon. J. G. Aikman.)

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

Ayes 7.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott

J. G. Aikman

W. L. Baillieu

F. Hagelthorn

D. Melville.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans

A. McLellan.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. J. Balfour

J. M. Davies Dr. W. H. Embling

T. C. Harwood

W. Little

E. Miller

W. Pitt

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

T. Luxton

T. H Payne.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY DIVISIONS REPORT $0 \, \mathrm{F}$

IN

THE WHOLE COUNCIL. \mathbf{OF}

No. 8.

Extracted from the Minutes.

THURSDAY, 28th NOVEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 2:—

The expression "process trade or business" or "occupation" or any like expression when used in the Factories and Shops Acts, or in the Determination of a Special Board refers to the process trade or business or occupation of the employer as well as the process trade business or occupation in which the employe is employed; and any employe doing work in a factory or workroom for which a Special Board has fixed a wages price or rate or a piece-work price or rate shall be paid for such work at the rate fixed therefor by such Board.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed-That the words "This section applies only to the Metropolitan District" be added at end of clause.—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

Motion made and question put—That the clause be postponed.—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.) Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott

J. Balfour

J. D. Brown

W. Cain

J. C. Campbell Dr. W. H. Embling

F. Hagelthorn

T. C. Harwood

W. Little

Walter S. Manifold

D. E. McBryde

D. Melville

W. Pearson

R. B. Rees

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

T. Luxton

T. H Payne.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

7545.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman

E. H. Austin

J. M. Davies

W. H. Edgar A. McLellan

W. Pitt

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

W. J. Evans

A. Hicks.

No. 2.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 7:—

In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act-

- (a) for the words "employed either inside or outside a factory or work-room" there shall be substituted the words "wheresoever employed"; and
- (b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby added:—
 "or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a shop; or
 - "in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving either generally or in any specified process trade or business; or
 - "in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of buildings or quarrying; or
 - "in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener; or
 - "in any business or occupation connected with the preparation of firewood for sale or connected with the sale or distribution of wood coke or coal."—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That paragraph (a) be omitted.—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Question—That paragraph (a) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. Balfour

J. D. Brown

J. M. Davies

F. Hagelthorn

A. Hicks

A. McLellan

W. Pitt

A. O. Sachse

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. H. Edgar

W. J. Evans.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. W. Cain

J. C. Campbell

Dr. W. H. Embling

T. C. Harwood

W. Little

T. Luxton

Walter S. Manifold

D. Melville

T. H. Payne

W. Pearson

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott

D. E. McBryde,

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

COMMITTEE THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 9.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1907.

1. Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill. - Clause 7 (amended):-

In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act-

(b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby added:-"or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a shop; or "in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving either generally or in any specified process trade or business; or

"in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of buildings

or quarrying; or
"in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener; or "in any business or occupation connected with the preparation of firewood for sale or connected with the sale or distribution of wood coke or coal."—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "either generally or in any specified process trade or business," in lines 4 and 5, be omitted.—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put,

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, E. J. Crooke,

J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.J. G. Aikman, A. McLellan.

Noes, 20.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

E. H. Austin,

W. L. Baillieu,

J. Balfour,

W. Cain, J. C. Campbell,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

F. Hagelthorn,

T. C. Harwood,

T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pearson,

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

F. Brawn,

E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative. 7545.

No. 2.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL —Clause 7 (amended):—

In sub-section (1) of section seventy-five of the Principal Act-

- (b) after the words "seller of small goods" the following words are hereby added:
 - "or in any business whatsoever usually or frequently carried on in a shop; or "in any business of carting or driving or assisting in carting or driving; or
 - "in any specified process trade or business connected with the erection of buildings or quarrying; or
 - "in the business or occupation of a nurseryman or employed as a gardener; or "in any business or occupation connected with the preparation of firewood for sale or connected with the sale or distribution of wood coke or coal."

-(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz.:—"This section applies only to the Metropolitan District."—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.) Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

E. H. Austin,

W. L. Baillieu,

J. D. Brown,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

E. J. Crooke,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood,

T. Luxton,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. Melville,

T. H. Payne,

R. B. Rees, E. J. White.

Tellers.

J. Y. McDonald,

W. Pearson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar,

W. J. Evans,

A. McLellan,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

A. Hicks,

J. Sternberg.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

No. 3.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 9:—

The Special Board heretofore appointed with regard to articles of furniture may also determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to female workers employed as upholstresses whether as carpet hands table hands or drapery hands, also to male persons employed in planning and laying carpets or linoleums or floor cloths or fixing draperies or making and fixing window venetian and wire blinds.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz.:-"if a resolution shall have been passed by both Houses of Parliament declaring it is expedient for the Special Board so to do."—(Hon. T. C. Harwood.)

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

Ayes, 19.

The Hon. J. Balfour,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

E. J. Crooke,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

F. Hagelthorn,

T. C. Harwood,

W. Little,

T. Luxton,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pearson,

R. B. Rees.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

E. J. White.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

E. H. Austin,

J. M. Davies,

W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

A. McLellan,

W. Pitt,

A O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

J. D. Brown,

W. H. Edgar.

No. 4.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 16:—

A Special Board shall have power to determine the lowest wages prices or rates to be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in repairing-

(a) any articles of clothing or wearing apparel or furniture in respect to which such Board may make a Determination; or

(b) any articles which are subject to the Determination of a Special Board for any process trade or business .- (Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz :- "if a resolution shall have been passed by both Houses of Parliament declaring it is expedient for the Special Board so to do."-(Hon. T. C. Ha wood.)

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

Committee divided.

Noes, 16. Ayes, 14. The Hon. J. G. Aikman, The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, E. H. Austin, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, J. Balfour, Dr. W. H. Embling, J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, F. Hagelthorn, W. H. Edgar, T. C. Harwood, W. Little, W. J. Evans, Walter S. Manifold, A. Hicks, T. Luxton, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, A. McLellan, E. J. White. T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse. Tellers. W. Pearson, R. B. Rees. E. J. Crooke,

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 5.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 18:--

In sub-section (9) of section one hundred and twenty-three of the Principal Act after the words "leave of the Court" the words "until the expiration of a p riod of twelve months from the date of such Determination" are hereby inserted. - (Hon. A. O. Sachse.) Motion made and question put—That clause 18 stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12. ·

The Hon. J. G. Aikman, J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, W. H. Edgar, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg.

> Tellers. E. II. Austin, W. J. Evans.

Noes, 17.

Tellers.

J. Sternberg.

The Hon. J. Balfour, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood, A. Hicks, T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, D. Melville, E. Miller, W. Pearson, R. B. Rees.

> Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott, E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 6.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 20:—

In section one hundred and forty-four of the Principal Act after the words "the Metropolitan District" there shall be inserted the words "and all cities and towns."—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Motion made and question put-That clause 20 stand part of the Bill.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. M. Davies,
W. II. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
A. Hicks,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse,

Tellers.
J. D. Brown,
A. McLellan.

J. Sternberg.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. H. Austin,
J. Balfour,
W. Cain,
J. C. Campbell,
E. J. Crooke,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
F. Hagelthorn,
T. C. Harwood,
Walter S. Manifold,
J. Y. McDonald,
D. Melville,
E. Miller,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pearson,
R. B. Rees,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
T. Luxton,
D. E. McBryde.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 7.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 23:—

(1) In paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section one hundred and forty-six of the Principal Act the words "within the Metropolitan District" and the word "and" are hereby repealed.

(2) In paragraph (b) of the said sub-section all words to the words "woman or girl" inclusive are hereby repealed.—(Hon. A. O Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (1) be omitted.—(Hon. T. C Harwood.)
Question—That sub-clause (1) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. Balfour,
J. D. Brown,
J. M. Davies,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
J. Y. McDonald,
A. McLellan,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers. W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. H. Austin,
W. Cain,
J. C. Campbell,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
T. C. Harwood,
T. Luxton,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. Melville,
W. Pearson,
R. B. Rees,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
E. J. Crooke,

T. H. Payne.

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

No. 8.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 26:—

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of section one hundred and sixty-two of the Principal Act the information for any offence under Division 7 of Part VI. or Division 5 of Part VII. or under Part IX. of the Principal Act shall be laid within six months after the commission thereof.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Motion made and question put—That clause 26 stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.
The Hon. E. H. Austin,
E. J. Crooke,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
W. J. Evans,
A. Hicks,
A. McLellan,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.
F. Hagelthorn,
E. J. White.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
W. Cain,
J. C. Campbell,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
T. C. Harwood,
W. Little,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
E. Miller,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pearson.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott, R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 9.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Proposed new clause AA :--

AA. For section one hundred and thirty-eight of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following section, namely:—

Every person who except during the period from the fifteenth day of November to the fifteenth day of March inclusive in each year on a Sunday after the hour of Twelve o'clock noon cries or sells milk or who delivers milk on sale whether in a retail or wholesale way and whether the same has to be paid for on or after delivery and every person who causes any milk to be so cried sold or delivered shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty of not more than Five pounds for every such offence.

- (2) Where any seller of milk either himself or by any of his employés delivers milk on a Sunday to any other person or at any other person's house or premises such milk shall unless the contrary is proved be deemed to have been delivered on sale within the meaning of this Act.
- (3) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent any person at the house or premises occupied by him selling milk to any other person at any time on a Sunday or any wholesale dealer receiving delivery of milk at any railway station after Six o'clock in the evening.— (Hon. J. Balfour.)

Motion made and question put—That the proposed new clause be added to the Bill. Committee divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
Walter S. Manifold,
A. McLellan,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse.

Tellers. J. G. Aikman, W. J. Evans. Noes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. H. Austin,
W. L. Baillieu,
W. Cain,
E. J. Crooke,
Dr. W. H. Embling,
F. Hagelthorn,
T. C. Harwood,
D. E. McBryde,
D. Melville,
T. H. Payne,
W. Pearson,
J. Sternberg,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
T. Luxton,
R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1907.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS!

IN

THE WHOLE COUNCIL. COMMITTEE OF

No. 10.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1907.

No. 1.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 40 (amended):—

(1) Every occupier of a shop and every employer engaged in any process trade business or occupation which is or may become subject to the provisions of a Special Board shall make a true record in such form and giving such particulars as may be prescribed as to the names work and wages of the persons employed by him and the name and age of every such person who is under twenty-one years of age and such record shall be produced for inspection whenever demanded by the inspector and shall be forwarded annually to the Chief Inspector at such time as may be prescribed.

(2) There shall be kept printed painted or affixed in legible Roman characters in some conspicuous place at or near the entrance of each and every shop, and in such other parts as an inspector from time to time directs, and in such a position as to be easily read by the persons

employed in such shop a notice containing-

(a) the name and address of the inspector for the district;

(b) true copies or abstracts of such parts of the Factories and Shops Acts and regulations thereunder as may be prescribed, or as may be directed by the Minister.

-(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "There shall be kept" in sub-clause (2) be omitted.— (Hon. R. \hat{B} . $\hat{R}ees$.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. E. H. Austin,

E. J. Crooke,

J. M. Davies,

W. J. Evans,

T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

W. H. Edgar,

A. McLellan.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

W. L. Baillieu,

J. Balfour,

J. D. Brown,

W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

A. Hicks,

W. Little,

Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson,

E. J. White.

Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott,

R. B. Rees.

And so it passed in the negative 7545.

No. 2.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 40 (amended):—

- (1) Every occupier of a shop and every employer engaged in any process trade business or occupation which is or may become subject to the provisions of a Special Board shall make a true record in such form and giving such particulars as may be prescribed as to the names work and wages of the persons employed by him and the name and age of every such person who is under twenty-one years of age and such record shall be produced for inspection whenever demanded by the inspector and shall be forwarded annually to the Chief Inspector at such time as may be prescribed.
- printed painted or affixed in legible Roman characters in some conspicuous place at or near the entrance of each and every shop, and in such other parts as an inspector from time to time directs, and in such a position as to be easily read by the persons employed in such shop a notice containing -
 - (a) the name and address of the inspector for the district;
 - (b) true copies or abstracts of such parts of the Factories and Shops Acts and regulations thereunder as may be prescribed, or as may be directed by the Minister.

-(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the remaining words of sub-clause (2) beginning at the words "printed painted or affixed" to and inclusive of the words "as may be directed by the Minister" at the end of the sub-clause be omitted.—(Hon. R. B. Rees.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

E. H. Austin,

W. L. Baillieu,

J. Balfour,

F. Brawn,

J. D. Brown,

E. J. Crooke,

J. M. Davies,

W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans,

A. Hicks,

W. Little, T. Luxton,

J. Y. McDonald,

A. McLellan,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt,

A. O. Sachse,

J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

F. Hagelthorn,

E. J. White.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. Cain,

J. C. Campbell,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

T. C. Harwood,

Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde,

D. Melville,

E. Miller,

W. Pearson.

Tellers.

R. H. S. Abbott,

R. B. Rees.

No. 3.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 42 (amended):—

- (1) No person within the Metropolitan District shall for hire or payment or wages cart or deliver wool, produce, timber, merchandise, goods, or packages which are usually carried on lorries, drays, jinkers, timber trucks, boiler trucks, or floats before six o'clock in the morning or after eight o'clock in the evening on any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, or before six o'clock in the morning or after four o'clock in the evening on any Saturday.
- (2) On the evening immediately preceding a public holiday cartage or delivery may be continued until ten o'clock.
- (3) The restrictions contained in this section shall not apply to perishable articles of human -(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Motion made and question put-That clause 42, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18. The Hon. E. H. Austin, W. L. Baillieu, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, W. H. Edgar, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, A. Hicks, W. Little, T. Luxton, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, W. Pitt. A. O. Sachse, E. J. White. Tellers. J. G. Aikman,

Noes, 13. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, T. C. Harwood, Walter S. Manifold, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson.

> Tellers. R. B. Rees, D. E. McBryde.

J. Sternberg. And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4 — Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill. — Clause 44:-

Small shops and the shopkeepers thereof and assistants therein shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "if so allowed by the Minister" be omitted.—(Hon. T.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. D. Brown, J. M. Davies, A. McLellan, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse

> Tellers.W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn.

Noes, 21.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, E. H. Austin, W. L. Baillieu, J. Balfour, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, W. H. Edgar, Dr. W. H. Embling, T. C. Harwood, A. Hicks, T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, R. B. Rees, J. Sternberg, E. J. White.

> Tellers. E. J. Crooke, W. Pearson.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

No. 5.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 45:—

(1) The registration of a shop as a small shop and of the shopkeeper thereof and of any assistant therein may be allowed in cases of widows old people and in other cases of great hardship and shall be at the absolute discretion of the Minister.

(2) No person shall be registered or employed as an assistant in a small shop if such person is employed in any other shop or in a factory or work-room and in no other case unless such person is the husband, wife, child, stepchild, grandchild, sister, niece, grandparent, or parent of the shop-

(3) No person of Asiatic African or Polynesian race unless born in Australia shall be

registered as the keeper of or as an assistant in a small shop.

(4) In relation to small shops the term "shopkeeper" shall not include the manager of a -(Hon. A. O. Sachse.) shop.

Amendment proposed—That the words "allowed in cases of widows old people and in other cases of great hardship and shall be at the absolute discretion of the Minister" in sub-clause (1) be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "suspended by the Minister upon the report to him of the Chief Inspector that he has good reason to believe that such shop is not a bonâ fide small shop or that the shopkeeper thereof is not a bonâ fide small shopkeeper. Notice of such suspension shall be forthwith served upon the said shopkeeper or left for him at the said shop and as soon thereafter as may be practicable the Minister shall hold an inquiry into all the circumstances of the case and after such inquiry the Minister may cancel such suspension or direct the Chief Inspector to cancel the registration and the Chief Inspector shall thereupon cancel such registration."—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 15. Noes, 15. The Hon. J. G. Aikman, The Hon. J. D. Brown, E. H. Austin, W. Cain, J. Balfour, J. C. Campbell, J. M. Davies, E. J. Crooke, W. H. Edgar, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, T. C. Harwood, A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold, W. Little, J. Y. McDonald, D. E. McBryde, D. Melville, A. McLellan, E. Miller, W. Pitt, T. H. Payne, A. O. Sachse, W. Pearson, J. Sternberg. E. J. White. Tellers.Tellers. R. H. S. Abbott, F. Hagelthorn, R. B. Rees. T. Luxton.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectively fifteen or equal—the Chairman gave his vote with the Ayes in order to allow of further consideration of the subject, and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 47:—

Small shops shall be closed in each and every week at the respective times fixed by section twenty-three of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2) as the hours for closing shops of the classes or kinds mentioned or specified in the Schedule to the said Act.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz.:—"Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts, any retail shopkeeper who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners, and who does not employ an assistant or assistants, may keep his or her shop open in every week as follows, namely:—

"On Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday until eight o'clock;

"On Saturday until ten o'clock."—(Hon. J. D. Brown.) Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added. Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. D. Brown,
W. Cain,
J. C. Campbell,
Dr, W. H. Embling,
T. Luxton,
Walter S. Manifold,
D. Melville,
E. Miller,
T. H. Payne,
R. B. Rees,
E. J. White.

Tellers.
E. J. Crooke,
W. Pearson.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
E. H. Austin,
J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
W. J. Evans,
F. Hagelthorn,
T. C. Harwood,
A. Hicks,
W. Little,
D. E. McBryde,
J. Y. McDonald,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers. W. H. Edgar, A. McLellan.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER.

No. 7.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 2 (on recommittal):—

The expression "process trade or business" or "occupation" or any like expression when used in the Factories and Shops Acts, or in the Determination of a Special Board refers to the process trade or business or occupation of the employer as well as the process trade business or occupation in which the employé is employed; and any employé doing work in a factory or work-room for which a Special Board has fixed a wages price or rate or a piece-work price or rate shall be paid for such work at the rate fixed therefor by such Board.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz:—"This section applies only to the Metropolitan District,"—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19. The Hon, R. H. S. Abbott E. H. Austin, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H. Payne, R. B. Rees. Tellers.T. Luxtou, E. J. White.

Noes, 10.
The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
W. J. Evans,
A. Hicks,
A. McLellan,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Sachse.

Tellers. W. H. Edgar, J. Sternberg.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 8.—Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Clause 47 (on recommittal):—

Small shops shall be closed in each and every week at the respective times fixed by section twenty-three of the Factories and Shops Act 1905 (No. 2) as the hours for closing shops of the classes or kinds mentioned or specified in the Schedule to the said Act.—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause, viz.:-

"Notwithstanding anything contained in this section or in the Factories and Shops Acts any person who keeps a retail shop, and who trades by himself or herself without a partner or partners and who does not employ an assistant or assistants shall be registered annually by the Chief Inspector if so allowed by the Minister. Such shop shall be closed in every week as follows, namely:—

"On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from the hour of eight o clock.

"On Wednesday from the hour of one o'clock or eight o'clock whichever of these times is chosen by the shopkeeper.

"On Saturday-

(a) from the hour of one o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was eight o'clock.

(b) from the hour of ten o'clock when the closing time on the preceding Wednesday was one o'clock."—(Hon. J. D. Brown.)

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

Ayes, 21. The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, E. H. Austin, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, E. J. Crooke, Dr. W. H. Embling, F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, T. H Payne, R. B. Rees, J. Sternberg, E. J. White.

J. Balfour,
J. M. Davies,
W. H. Edgar,
W. Pitt,
A. O. Saclise.

Tellers.
W. J. Evans,
A. McLellan

Noes, 8.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

Tellers.
A. Hicks,
T. Luxton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

FRIDAY, 13TH DECEMBER.

No. 9.—Mines Acts further Amendment Bill.—Clause 10:—

(1) For the purposes of this Act any water or sludge produced from or consequent on any mining operations and discharged into any such water-course lake or reservoir shall be deemed to pollute or injure the same if such water or sludge at the point where it leaves any claim or any land comprised in a lease or any land used in connexion with any such mining operations by or in any respect under the control of the person carrying on the same—

(a) contains any poisonous matter in the total proportion of more than fifty grains to one gallon or any noxious matter in such quantity as to be injurious or detrimental to

the public health; or

(b) holds in suspension or solution any earth or mineral or any earthy or mineral substance

in the total proportion of more than eight hundred grains to one gallon.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in this section where any such water or sludge is produced from or consequent on any mining operations carried on by means of bucket or suction dredging in the bed of a water-course in which water is flowing there shall be substituted for the point where the water or sludge leaves such claim or land as aforesaid a point not less than a quarter of a mile along such water-course and below the site of the dredge.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

along such water-course and below the site of the dredge.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "eight" in paragraph (b) be omitted with a view to insert in

place thereof the word "five."—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Question-That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19. The Hon. E. H. Austin. J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, J. M. Davies, W. H. Edgar, Dr. W. H. Embling, F. Hagelthorn, T. C. Harwood, A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse, J. Sternberg. Tellers. W. J. Evans,

Noes, 5,
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott
W. Little,
D. Melville.

Tellers.
E. J. Crooke,
R. B. Rees.

A. McLellan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 10.—Mines Acts further Amendment Bill.—Clause 16:—

The Governor in Council may by Order published in the Government Gazette constitute within the mining districts of Ballarat and Bendigo sludge abatement trusts for carrying out subject to the Mines Acts within their respective districts the purposes for which the Board is appointed.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

Motion made and question put—That Clause 16 stand part of the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20. The Hon. E. H. Austin, J. Balfour, J. D. Brown, W. Cain, E. J. Crooke, J. M. Davies, W. H. Edgar, Dr. W. H. Embling, W. J. Evans, F. Hagelthorn, T. Luxton, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, J. Y. McDonald, A. McLellan, E. Miller, W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.
A. Hicks,
T. H. Payne.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 5.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
T. C. Harwood,
D. Melville,

Tellers.
J. G. Aikman,
J. Sternberg.

No. 11.—MINES ACTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 46:—

- (1) If any person thinks himself aggrieved by the amount of any charge which he is required to pay under any by-law of a trust making such charge he may within one month from the date of such by-law appeal against the same to the court of petty sessions held nearest to the office of the trust.
- (2) Such court shall have power to hear and determine the subject matter of the appeal and the decision of the court shall be final and conclusive in all respects and shall not be set aside reversed altered or varied by or questioned in any court upon any ground whatsoever.
- (3) No such appeal shall be heard or determined unless the person so appealing has given to the trust notice in writing of his intention to appeal at least seven clear days before the hearing of the appeal.
- (4) For the purposes of this section the word "person" includes "body of persons."-(Hon. J. M. Davies.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "in manner provided by Part VI. Divisions 1 and 2 of the Justices Act 1890 or any subsequent amendment or alterations thereof" be added to sub-clause (1). —(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

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

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,

W. Cain,

T. C. Harwood,

D. Melville,

E. Miller.

Tellers.

R. B. Rees,

J. Sternberg.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,

E. H. Austin,

J. Balfour,

E. J. Crooke,

J. M. Davies,

Dr. W. H. Embling,

F. Hagelthorn,

A. Hicks, Walter S. Manifold,

D. E. McBryde,

J. Y. McDonald,

A. McLellan,

T. H. Payne,

W. Pitt, A. O. Sachse.

Tellers.

W. H. Edgar,

W. J. Evans.

And so it passed in the negative.

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SELECT (JOINT) COMMITTEE

ON THE

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

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EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1907.

6. Parliament Buildings Committee.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, W. Cain, J. Y. McDonald, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

REPORT.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE for the management and superintendence of the Parliament Buildings have the honour to report:—

- 1. That they have had under consideration a report recently furnished to the Government by the Deputy Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade respecting the protection of the Exhibition Building from fire.
- 2. That when this portion of the building was prepared for Parliament in 1901 it was fitted up with fire protection appliances in accordance with the views of the Fire Brigade authorities as to what was necessary, and one fireman patrolled the building, being relieved by another fireman after eight hours' duty. For this patrol, the Fire Brigade charged the Public Works Department £475 per annum; an annual fire insurance premium of £450 was also paid, making a total charge on the State of £925 per annum. There was one alarm clock in an obscure part of the building, and three sets of hydrants and hose.
- 3. In September, 1902, the Committee decided to make more thorough and less expensive arrangements for the protection of the State Parliament Buildings It was arranged that one of the doorkeepers should patrol the building until half-past ten o'clock every night; that another should relieve him at that hour, and sleep on the premises, after seeing that everything was safe from fire and the building securely locked up; that the Exhibition watchman should include the State Parliament House in his rounds, and mark the tell-tale clock once every two hours throughout the night. The constable on duty outside the building was also provided with a key of the gate at the north end, and his beat was continued round the back of the building as far as the Refreshment Rooms. Two additional sets of hydrants and hose were obtained and placed in conspicuous positions, and numbers of fire buckets were kept always ready at suitable points; the staff were instructed in the use of all the appliances, so as to be able, in case of emergency, to render first aid pending the arrival of the Fire Brigade. Three clocks were subsequently fixed in prominent positions in lieu of the one in the obscure position, and, in November last improved electric alarms to the Head Fire Station were substituted for these, on the suggestion of Superintendent Stein, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade. insurance was reduced from £45,000 to £35,000.

This system now costs £461 per annum (including the insurance premium) instead of £925; thus saving the sum of £464 per annum to the State.

The Engineer reported to the Committee, on the 5th instant, that all the fire appliances were in perfect order; they are regularly cleaned, examined, and tested.

- 4. At their last meeting, held on the 7th August instant, the Committee directed that the Deputy Chief Officer of the Fire Brigades Board should be asked to make a complete examination of the buildings and appliances, and report if he could make any suggestions for improving the existing arrangements.
- 5. The Committee have received the report asked for, in which the Deputy Chief Officer suggests that the existing ball hydrants be replaced by stand-pipes; that hand chemical engines of approved pattern be placed in conspicuous positions; and that certain minor works be carried out so as to isolate the buildings occupied by the State Parliament from the main Exhibition Building as far as is practicable.

6. The Committee, after careful consideration, have approved of the additional precautions recommended by the Deputy Chief Officer, and have asked the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to give directions to have the suggestions carried out at the earliest possible moment.

Committee-room, State Parliament House, 20th August, 1907.

