

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. Aumbli

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

Questions.

TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE, 1897.

- 1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture-
 - 1. If he is aware of the existence in the north-western portion of Victoria of a substance locally known as copi.
 - 2. If he is aware that the substance is mainly gypsum or sulphate of lime, a valuable natural manure.
 - 3. Will he arrange with the Railway Department for cheap rates of carriage for that material.
- 2. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, on account of the great drought in the northern districts of the colony, he will take into favorable consideration the request of the annual licensees under 123rd section of the existing Land Act in that portion of the colony to be relieved from payment of their rents for the next six months, or will he materially reduce such rents for, say, twelve months.
- .3. MR. Zox: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. Is the Government in possession of a complete system of communicating by cablegram by means of which, in the event of any European complications, they would receive early and full official information as to the actual state of affairs.
 - 2. If such system does not exist, does he not consider it a most essential arrangement, and does not the presence of the various Premiers in London at the present time offer a most favorable opportunity for discussing the question with the Home Government.
- -4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Whether it is a fact that his Department is preventing the removal of grain stored by farmers, in Farmers' Grain Association sheds, except by railway carriage; if so, by what authority is the Department so acting.
 - 2. Will be lay on the Table of this House a copy of the agreement made between the Railway Department and the Farmers' Grain Sheds Association, together with a copy of all by-laws, rules, and regulations in reference thereto.
- -5. MR. GRATTAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if it is his intention to introduce this Session a Bill relating to the supervision of certain perishable products for export.
- 6. MR. GROSE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he hopes to decide on the merits of the applications made for the bonus of £1,000 offered by the Government for the best system of ventilating mines.

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

- 1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, and Three o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock.
- .2. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That on Tuesday and Thursday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.

3. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That on Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business until Half-past Eight o'clock ; after that hour business shall be called on in the following order, viz .:-

On one Wednesday-

Private Bill Business:

1. Notices of Motion.

2. Orders of the Day.

General Business:

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

On the alternate Wednesday-

General Business:

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

Private Bill Business:

Orders of the Day.
 Notices of Motion.

- 4. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:-Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graves, Mr. Mason, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Sir George Turner, Mr. Vale, and Mr. Wheeler ; five to be the quorum.
- 5. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :--Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Madden, and Mr. Shiels.
- 6. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :-- Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graham, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Taverner, and Mr. Webb.
- 7. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :--Mr. Speaker, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Rawson ; three to be the quorum.
- 8. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :- Mr. Austin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Wilkins.
- 9. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session :--Mr. Beazley, Mr. Carter, Mr. Deakin, Sir, John McIntyre, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr., Wheeler ; three to be the quorum.
- 10. MR. STERRY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the use of traction engines.
- 11. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to hackney carriages.
- 12. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation of servants registry offices. ۰ ^۱ . . . / 1 2.1 8
- 13. MR. IRVINE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen: . . . 4, 37 ,

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

- 14. MR. IRVINE: To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill as amended in Committee.
- 15. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of applying certain provisions of the Local Government Acts to the Town of Geelong.
 - 16. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
 - 17. MR. GRAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890.

- 18. MR. LONGMORE : To move-
 - 1. That, with the view of enabling our railways to pay, and thus bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such land owned by them, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estates shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 - 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of secondclass land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land as set out by *The Land Tax Act* 1877 held by one family shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
- 19. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this colony.

20. MR. SALMON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Dog Act 1890.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

- 21. MR. SALMON: To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills. That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the further consideration of the Bill in Committee.
- 22. MR. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, in the interests of Victoria, that a liberal export bonus be paid during the coming season to growers of tobacco in Victoria. This tobacco to be properly prepared and exported under the supervision and approval of the Department of Agriculture, and subject to any regulations made for this purpose.
- 23. MR. MCGREGOR: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Local Government Act 1890.
- 24. MR. O'NEILL: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to mortgages on real estate.
- 25. MR. WEBB: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain lands at Tatura.
- 26. MR. ROGERS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow voting by post at future parliamentary elections.
- 27. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the tonnage of all flour, wheat, and other grain received at all stations east of Dandenong on the Gippsland and Great Southern lines.

28. MR. VALE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to aliens and others.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. POSTAGE RATE CONTINUATION BILL-Second reading.
- 2. SUPPLY-To be considered in Committee.
- 3. WAYS AND MEANS-To be considered in Committee.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 24th June.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at half-past ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23rd JUNE, 1897.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 1. Commonwealth of Australia Draft Bill—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Kirton. (To Members only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 2.

WED'NESDAY, 30th JUNE, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. DUFFUS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if, in deference to the generally expressed wish of municipal councils, he will continue to pay a bonus on fox scalps after the 30th June instant.
- 2. MR. E. D. WILLIAMS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is he aware that salaried officers in the Clerical Branch of the Railway Department have often to work overtime, for which service they receive neither payment nor time off.
 - 2. Will the Honorable the Minister allow these officers either pay for overtime or extra time to their annual holidays equivalent to the number of days worked in excess of the time recognised by the regulations of the Department.
- 3. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing the amount of rate- collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896; also amount allocated by the Treasurer to each from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for the same period.
- 4. MR. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways why, in view of the fact that by the Railway Loan Application Act £1,500 was in December last authorized by Parliament to be expended on improvements at Camberwell Railway Station, and also that the Minister at the time stated the improvements were "urgently necessary from a railway point of view," such work was not proceeded with.
- 5. MR. LEVIEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he has ' further considered the restrictions on persons desiring under licence to remove shells from the sea shore, particularly about Moolap, and what action he purposes taking in relation thereto.
- . 6. MR. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will take into consideration the prayer of the petition from the President and Councillors of the Shire of Boroondara presented to the Legislative Assembly yesterday.
- 7. MR. HAMILTON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines-
 - 1. Has the Inspector of Mines at Bendigo reported to the Department the result of his inspection of an appliance having for its object the prevention of loose drums running away.
 - 2. Was the report of a favorable nature.
 - 3. If so, will the Minister endeavour to have a clause inserted in the Mines Act Amendment Bill now before the Legislative Council making the use of some such appliance compulsory in all mines where winding gear is used.

8. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-

- 1. Whether the Government intend to take any steps for the purpose of testing or of taking an independent opinion upon the ruling of the President of the Legislative Council with regard to the Constitution Act Amendment Bill sent up to the Council from the Assembly in the last Session of Parliament.
- 2. Whether the Government intend to acquiesce in the ruling, and to withdraw such a Bill if passed by the Assembly under similar circumstances on a future occasion.
- 9. MR. ZOX: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will take into consideration the advisability of establishing national swimming baths, on account of their educational and sanitary advantages to the community.

"«Government Business. (Until half-past eight o'clock.)

1. MR. TAVERNER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of live stock, meat, dairy produce, fruit, and other products intended for export, and to regulate the exportation thereof.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

- 1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 2. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

(220 copies.)

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :

General Business

1. MR. IRVINE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

- 2. MR. IRVINE : To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill as amended in Committee.
- 3. Mr. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
- 4. Mr. LONGMORE : To move-
 - 1. That, with the view of enabling our railways to pay, and thus bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such land owned by them, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estates shall be-so required to be sold in any one year.
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- 9. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the adoption of the-Referendum.
- 10. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the reservation of certain lands on the bank of the River Murray from Swan Hill to Mildura.
- 11. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers referring to the purchase of certain lands from Messrs. Petersen, Holloway, and Macredie in the Mallee for public purposes, and a statement showing whether such public purposes have been carried out.
- 12. Mr. GURR: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of applying a certain. provision of the Local Government Act to the Town of Geelong.

13. MR. McColl: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of homes.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

- 14. MR. MCCOLL: To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.
- 15. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act 1896.
- 16. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session. from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.

ORDER'S OF THE DAY :-

- 1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading.
- 2. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- '3. 'SERVANTS' REGISTRY 'OFFICES REGULATION BILL-Second reading. 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT' (GEELONG) BILL-Second reading.
- 5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading 6. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading:

- MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL—Second reading.
 TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL—Second reading.
- 10. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power' to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 30th June.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 23Rd JUNE, 1897.

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

Insolvency Bill-[11]. Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.-New clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Abbott.-(To Membersof Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 1. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2. Postage Rates Continuation Bill-[9].

Local Government Bill-[16]. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-[18]

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-[20]. Report of the Council of Judges. No. 1.

Post Office Savings Bank.-Statement of Accounts for the year 1896. No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, HITH JULY

(After hali-past eight o'clock.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 1st JULY, 1897.

General Business.

' Notices of Motion :---

- 1. MR. MADDEN: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale of manurc.
- 2. MR. KENNEDY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Local Government Act 1890.
- 3. MR. O'NEILL: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Auction Sales Act 1890.
- 4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the reservation of certain lands on the bank of the River Murray from Swan Hill to Mildura.
- 5. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers referring to the purchase of certain lands from Messrs. Petersen, Holloway, and Macredie in the Mallee for public purposes, and a statement showing whether such public purposes have been carried out.
- 6. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of homes.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

- 7. MR. McColl: To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.
- 8. MR: GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.
- 9. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the money claims of Messrs. Falkingham, R. Thornton, Weeks and Co., Graham and Waddick, and James Moore against the Railway Department under certain contracts made between them and the Department, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Craven, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Rawson, Mr. Sangster, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, such Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Consideration of Report.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading.
- 3. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading. 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL—Second reading.
- 6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 7. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 8. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- '9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading. '10. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.

- 11. ALIENS BILL-Second reading. 12. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading. 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :

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1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

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- 2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.
- 3. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.
 - TUESDAY, 6TH JULY.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will take steps to carry out the wishesof 68 shires, to have the Agricultural Statistics collected by post.
- 2. MR. O'NEILL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether provision is to be made in the next Estimates to meet the contemplated expenditure in connexion with the reclamation of Huntly sludge channel.

3. Mr. COOK: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-

- What steps have been taken by the Government towards carrying out the Premier's promise to enforce the full provisions of the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Companies Acts
 Is it a fact that, notwithstanding any steps that may have been taken, the company is still
- violating the express terms of the Act.
- 3. If so, has he any objection to stating what further action he proposes to take, with a view to securing to the tramway employés their just rights.
- 4. MR. ZOX: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if the Government propose to alter the law soas to suppress the scandal caused by the revelations in the Law Courts of the manner in which marriages are celebrated at the matrimonial agency offices.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing the amount of rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896; also amount allocated by the Treasurer to each from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for the same period.

General Business.

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(After half-past eight o'clock.)^t

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1. MR. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, in the interests of Victoria, that a liberal export bonus be paid during the coming season to growers of tobacco in Victoria. This tobacco to be properly prepared and exported under the supervision and approval of the Department of Agriculture, and subject to any regulations made for this purpose.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :---

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:-

1. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 6th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock. REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)-at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH JUNE, 1897.

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

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Aliens Bill-[27].
Traction Engine Bill-[28].
Referendum Bill-[29].
Servants' Registry Offices Bill--[30].
Dog Act 1890 Amendment Bill.-New Clause to be proposed by Mr. McColl. (To Members only.)
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1895.-Part VIII.-Production. No. 7.
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1895.-Part IX.-Social Condition. No. 8.
Minutes of Evidence taken before the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into certain charges against the Engineering and Electrical Branch of the Post Office and Telegraph Department. Telegraph Department.

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No. 4.

TUESDAY, 6TH JULY, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will take steps to carry out the wishes of 68 shires, to have the Agricultural Statistics collected by post.
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 - 3. If so, has he any objection to stating what further action he proposes to take, with a view to securing to the tramway employés their just rights.
- 4. MR. Zox: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if the Government propose to alter the law so as to suppress the scandal caused by the revelations in the Law Courts of the manner in which marriages are celebrated at the matrimonial agency offices.
- 5. MR. KIRTON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he will arrange for the examinations of candidates for employment in junior positions in the Railway Department to be conducted in large centres adjacent to their place of residence.
- 6. MR. MURPHY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will remove the goods sheds from closed railway lines and have them erected at Warrenheip, Dunnstown, Bungaree, Wallace, Millbrook, and Gordons Railway Stations, so as to protect perishable goods.
- 7. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been called to the manner in which the Companies' Auditors' Board is carrying out its duties; and is it a fact that great dissatisfaction exists at the manner in which applicants for certificates are treated. If he is not aware of the facts will he make inquiry into the matter.
- 8. MR. KIRTON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - 1. Is it a fact that a large number of experienced auditors have been refused certificates under paragraph "C" of the Companies Act.
 - 2. If so, will be consider the matter with a view of meeting the difficulty.
- 9. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he will cause steps to be taken to alter Rule 3 of the Supreme Court, as published in the *Government Gazette* of the 1st August, 1873, and which reads as follows, viz.:—

"That no probate of any will or administration of the estate of any deceased person shall be granted to any person, except after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication of the advertisement by him, or some proctor on his behalf, in one of the Melbourne newspapers of his intention to apply for same,"

so that such agent's or proctor's notices shall be advertised in a newspaper published and circulated in the district in which the estate is situated.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of homes.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to-

2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.

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- 3. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session. from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.
- 4. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the following papers :-
 - 1. The Hare System in Tasmania. By Professor Jethro Brown, being a paper read beforethe Royal Society of Tasmania, and reprinted at the Tasmanian News Office, Collins-street, Hobart.
 - Observations on the Working Results of the Hare System of Election in Tasmania. By R. M. Johnston, Government Statistician, Tasmania. Office of Government Printer, Tasmania.
 - 3. Statute regulating the Elections by the Hare System in Tasmania.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. SALE OF MANURE BILL-Second reading.
- 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL-Second reading. 5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading--Resumption of debate.
- 6. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 7. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL—Second reading. 10. ALIENS BILL—Second reading.
- 11. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading. 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.
- 3. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

Question.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY.

1. MR. OUTTRIM : To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer if he has any objection to lay on the-Table of the House a return showing the amount of rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896; also amount allocated by the Treasurer to each from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for the same period.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :---

1. Mr. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, in the interests of Victoria, that a liberal export bonus be paid during the coming season to growers of tobacco in Victoria. This tobacco to be properly prepared and exported under the supervision and approval of the Department of Agriculture, and subject to any regulations made for this purpose.

ORDER OF THE DAY :---

1. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notice of Motion :---

1. MR. MOULE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY,

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

Tuesday, 6th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock. REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)-at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1st JULY, 1897.

Australasian Federation Submission Bill-[13].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4. Geelong Parliamentary Elections Bill-[31]. Local Government Bill-[32].

Yarrawonga Urban Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £500. No. 2. Shire of Shepparton Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £7,500. No. 5. Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1896. No. 17.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1897.

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- 1. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing the amount of rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896; also amount allocated by the Treasurer to each from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for the same period, and for the half-year ending 30th June, 1897.
- 2. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what area of lands approximately will the leases from the Crown expire over next year, and is it his intention to intimate before this Parliament expires whether and how these are to be legislated for.
- 3. MR. BURTON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey-
 - 1. What is the intention of the Government in reference to holdings under section 32 of the Land Act 1890 which terminate in 1898.
 - 2. Will the area in excess of the quantity permitted to be selected under the Act named (320 acres) be allowed to be selected in preference by qualified members of the family of present occupants, as is done under the provisions of the Mallee law.
- 4. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. What profit would arise to Victoria by undertaking the coinage of silver.
 - 2. Will the Honorable the Acting Premier take advantage of the presence in London of the Australian Premiers and endeavour to obtain the right of minting silver, and so obtain such profit for Victoria; in order to devote the same to making a creditable public provision for aged persons guilty of no offence, but who by the present practice are committed to gaol.
- -5. MR. BROMLEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that the Railway Department intend charging police constables full fares during their holidays instead of the usual excursion fares; which concession has been granted in the past.
- 6. MR. T. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways on what period prior to services being dispensed with is the compensation computed for women gatekeepers in the Railway Department.
- 7. MR. KIRTON: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether he will consider the advisability of amending section 31 of the *Companies Act* 1896 so as to extend the exemption in sub-clause (1) for a further period of six months.
- 8. MR. COOK: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if he will introduce a Bill to amend The Melbourne Tramways and Omnibus Company's Act, with a view to a proper enforcement of the conditions of section 62 of that Act.
- 9. MR. BROMLEY : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. If the Melbourne Tramway Company are complying with section 62 of their Act (47 Victoria No. 765) by paying the gripmen and conductors in their employ special payment for overtime, viz.:—For all or any time worked after eight hours per day or forty-eight hours per week.
 - 2. If section 62 is not being complied with, is it the intention of the Government to enforce or cause to be enforced the penalty specified in the Act.
- 10. MR. PRENDERGAST: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways is it the intention of the Railway Department to accept the lowest tender where work is open to co-operative bodies of workmen, such, for instance, as in the case of painting railway trucks, tenders for which are at present advertised.
- 11. MR. McColl: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-
 - .1. Is the gristing of oats in bond allowed by the Government.
 - 2. If allowed, does he not consider such practice prejudicial to the interests of the oat-growing farmer.
 - 3. If such practice is allowed, will the Government take the necessary steps to have it stopped.

- 12. MR. PRENDERGAST: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is a fact that certain officers in the Department of Trade and Customs who have worked long periods of overtime without remuneration have been refused equal time off, that is, hour for hour; and, if so, what is the cause of such refusal.
- 13. MR. McColl: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health-
 - 1. If his attention has been called to an article by Mr. William Gay in the Bendigo Advertiser of the 2nd inst. in which it is proposed legislation shall be introduced to prevent the spread of tuberculosis in the colony.
 - 2. Will he give the matter his attention with a view of having such legislation introduced.
- 14. MR. FINK : To ask the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey the cause of the delay in making the road in Richmond Park leading to the Melbourne Cricket Ground, and if the Honorable the Minister will cause his proposed plans to be carried out before the commencement of the next cricket season.
- 15. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - Is there a Detective Sub-Inspector of Police attached to the Crown Law Department.
 - 2. Is it a fact that when any special inquiry is necessary another detective is requested to make it.
 - 3. Is it a fact that frequently criminal cases are sent to the Crown Solicitor incomplete, and the services of a detective from the Detective Office is asked for to complete them. 4. If so, is it necessary to retain him in that position.
- Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

- 1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
- 2. MR. PEACOCK: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Order in Council appointing the Provision for Aged Poor Commission.
- 3. MR. PEACOCK : To move, That the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to the Maintenance of the Aged Poor having incurred liabilities to the amount of the maximum expenditure fixed by the Order in Council appointing the Commission, and not yet having completed such iuquiry, this House concurs in the expenditure by such Royal Commission, for the purposes of their inquiry and report, of a further amount of £310.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

- 2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.
- 3. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

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- 3. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL-Second reading. 4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 5. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 6. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading. 8. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 9. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GRELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :-

1. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, in the interests of Victoria, that a liberal export bonus be paid during the coming season to growers of tobacco in Victoria. This tobacco to be properly prepared and exported under the supervision and approval of the Department of Agriculture, and subject to any regulations made for this purpose.

2. MR. MURPHY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of constructing a railway siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion :---

1. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W.⁴ R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and. records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

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2. Mr. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.

WEDNESDAY, 21st JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.) NOTICE OF MOTION:

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.

EDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON; Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 7th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1st JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 2 and 3. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4. Mines Bill-[15].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 2, 3, and 4. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.

Metropolitan Hackney Carriage Bill-[3]. Exported Products Bill-[10].

Local Government' Bill-[33]. Artificial Manures Bill-[34].

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill .- New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr.

Wilkins. (To Members only.) Local Government Bill.—Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Kennedy. (To Members only.)

Estimate of Expenditure, 1897-8.-Supply. B.-No. 2.

Report upon the Affairs of the Post Office and Telegraph Department for the Year 1896. No. 11. Annual Report on British New Guinea, from 1st July, 1895, to 30th June, 1896; with Appendices No. 20.

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No. 6.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 1897.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :--

1. MR. OUTTRIM: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-

- 1. Rates collected by each municipality for the year ending 31st December, 1896.
- 2. Amount allocated by the Treasurer to each municipality from the £100,000 vote for municipal subsidy for half-years ending 31st December, 1896, and 30th June, 1897.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.
- 3. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

- 1. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
- 2. MR. MALONEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict security to the mortgaged property.

TUESDAY, 13TH JULY.

Questions.

- 1. MR. COOK: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if he will introduce a Bill to amend *The* Melbourne Tranways and Omnibus Company's Act, with a view to a proper enforcement of the conditions of section 62 of that Act.
- 2. MR. BROMLEY: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. If the Melbourne Tramway Company are complying with section 62 of their Act (47 Victoria No. 765) by paying the gripmen and conductors in their employ special payment for overtime, viz.:—For all or any time worked after eight hours per day or forty-eight hours per week.
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- 6. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier what profit per ounce of silver would accrue to the colony if the right of minting silver be obtained for Victoria.
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- 9. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will consent to pay the men employed on day work on the river improvement works 6s. 8d. per day, in view of the increased price of provisions and the broken time through wet weather.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :---

- 1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons who recorded their votes at each polling place in this colony at the election for the Federal Convention.
 - WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

General Business.

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- 1. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
 MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading -Resumption of debate.

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- 8. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 9. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (NO. 2)—Second reading. 11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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General Business.

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- 2. MR. T. ŚMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the-Postal Department.

WEDNESDAY, '4TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.) General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

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General Business.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 8th July,

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 7TH JULY, 1897.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5 Local Government Bill-[16]. (To Members of Council only.) Dog-Bill--[21]. (To Members of Council only.) Employers' Liability Bill--[22]. (To Members of Council only.) Artificial Manures Bill--[34]. (To Members of Council only.) Insolvency Bill-

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. R. Reid. (To Members of Council only.) Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.) New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. D. Melville. (To Members of Council only.) Mines Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Abbott. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6. Mining Accident Relief Fund.-Balance-sheet 1896. No. 9. Bank Liabilities and Assets.-Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1896. No. 14.

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- 11. Mr. McGREGOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health if it is not possible for his Department to obtain calf lymph from New Zealand, and supply same free of charge to applicants whose objection to vaccination will be somewhat removed if this lymph be obtainable.
- 12. MR. BAKER: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill for the purpose of checking or prohibiting the practice of betting on horse racing and other forms of sport on race-courses and elsewhere.
- 13. MR. Zox : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether it is considered absolutely necessary for the entire contents of the published balance-sheets of public companies to be read at the halfyearly meetings, considering the balance-sheets have to be in the hands of the shareholders seven days prior to the meeting.

- 14. MR. GROSE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mine
 - 1. Whether his attention has been drawn to what are considered to be serious errors in the geological maps of his Department in fixing the position of the lines of reef from Clunes South to the Rokewood District; and
 - 2. Since the accuracy of the maps is openly challenged, will he cause steps to be taken to investigate the matter.
- 15. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether any action has been taken to accede to the prayer of the petition presented to Parliament early this Session that certain lands taken from the reserve on the south bank of the Yarra and enclosed in Government House Reserve may be restored to the use of the people.
- 16. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether he will in this, the Jubilee year, appoint the mayors of the various municipalities Justices of the Peace.
- 17. MR. SALMON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has done anything to carry out the promise made on 22nd December last (*Hansard*, vol. 84, page 4737) that something would be done to raise the classification of the Chief Clerk to his Department. If nothing has yet been done, will he state why the promise has not been given effect to.
- 18. MR. BARRETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, what is the cost to the Department of the A.V. car which recently ran a trial trip to Woodend.,
- 19. MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture 'if he will give early consideration to the question of providing a bonus for the successful export of live stock to Great Britain, and thus promote an industry which would be of invaluable benefit to farmers and pastoralists.

Notices of Motion (Unopposed) :---

- 1. MR. MCCOLE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons who recorded their votes at each polling place in this colony at the election for the Federal Convention.
- 2. MR. STYLES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names and positions of officers and other employés in the Railway Department who received during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897, increments of £12 per annum and upwards.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :---

I. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-Further consideration of amendments after third reading. 2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.

- 3. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the expenditure out of loan funds by the Railway Department for the years ending 30th June, 1895, 1896, and 1897.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion':-

- 1. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
- 2. MR. GRAVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon certain grievances, the subject-matter of a petition presented to this Parliament during last Session from Mr. Singleton, the Registrar of Probates.
- 3. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient, in the interests of Victoria, that a liberal export bonus be paid during the coming season to growers of tobacco in Victoria. This tobacco to be properly prepared and exported under the supervision and approval of the Department of Agriculture, and subject to any regulations made for this purpose.
- 4. MR. MURPHY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of constructing a railway siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.

- ORDERS OF THE DAY :
- 1. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL Resumption of debate.
- 4. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 5. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading. 7. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 8. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading. 10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- 11. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21st JULY. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business

ORDER OF THE DAY :---

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

General Business

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

- NOTICES OF MOTION:-1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER'S OF THE DAY :-

TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

, ORDER OF THE DAY :--1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 13th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 1, 4, and 5.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7. Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1896. No. 6.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. A. L. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether, having regard to the extensive public interests represented in the assets of the Federal, Mercantile, and City of Melbourne Banks, the Government will take steps to prevent the control of such assets being removed from the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court—the various public accounts not actually governmental, inclusive of moneys due to the Savings Banks, being over £500,000.
- 2. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs what action, if any, the Government intends to take to give effect to the recommendations of the Select Committee upon State Monopoly in Manufacture of Tobacco, the Report of which Committee was preserted to the Legislative Assembly on the 28th January, 1896.
- 3. MR. SALMON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has done anything to carry out the promise made on 22nd December last (*Hansard*, vol. 84, page 4737) that something would be done to raise the classification of the Chief Clerk to his Department. If nothing has yet been done, will he state why the promise has not been given effect to.
- 4. MR. GROSE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether, in connexion with the proposed regrading works on the Creswick and Daylesford line, due provision will be made for the unemployed in that district.
- 5. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what is the reason that Victorian legal practitioners are the only ones debarred from practising in Western Australia.
- 6. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing the amount of coal imported into the colony by the Railway Department during the last two years.
- 7. MR. BURTON : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. Is it a fact that the Public Service Board are stopping the increments of officers in the Public Service.
 - 2. If they are doing so, is such action within the Board's powers.
 - 3. What is the intention of the Government with regard to officers who have been promoted to higher classes, but who are still only receiving the salary of the class from which they have been promoted.
- 8. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that the Railways Commissioner proposes to send Mr. W. A. Holmes of the Railway Department on a tour of inspection throughout the world for the purpose of making an investigation into the latest and most economical methods adopted for producing electricity. If so, does the Honorable the Minister consider Mr. Holmes competent to undertake such a mission, and what are his special qualifications for such an important mission.
- 9. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture-
 - 1. What has been the total cost to the Government up to the present date of the attempts to eradicate phylloxera since the first outbreak of the disease in the colony.
 - . What method is now pursued in awarding compensation for vines uprooted.
- 10. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable, the Minister of Agriculture if, as the season is now advancing, he proposes to take any action to foster the industry of the cultivation of tobacco for exportation by bonus or otherwise.
- 11. MR. DEAKIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. When the No. 2 platform at Flinders-street is to be provided with shelter.
 - 2. When the alteration of the station in accordance with new plans is to be commenced.
- 12. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the dearth of work in the North-Eastern district during the winter, and the cessation of work at the saw-mills at Baddaginnie, he will bring before the Commissioner the desirability of the old railway freight from the district being reverted to.

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13. MR. Cook : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction

- 1. If it is true that children are being refused admission to the various State schools of Brunswick on the ground that there is no room for them. ...
- 2. If true, has he any objection to state in what manner he proposes to provide for the extra. children.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

- ORDERS OF THE DAY :-
- 1. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading.
- 2. MINING DEVELOPMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading. 6. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 12. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 13. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion :-

- 1. MR. MOULE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast. Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
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- 4. MR. MURPHY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of constructing a railway siding from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.
- 5. MR. VALE: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the expenditure out of loan funds by the Railway Department for the years ending 30th June, 1895, 1896, and 1897.
- 6. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders be requested to consider whether it is not advisable to amend Standing Order No. 196, by enabling petitions to be received which are printed as well as petitions which are written.

, ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 4. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 5. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL—Second reading. 6. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 7. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 8. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading. 10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- 11. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21st JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

Notice of Motion :---

1, MR. PRENDERGAST :. To move, That in the opinion of this, House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum. should have their pensions increased to that amount.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business

General Business.

(After half-past-eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Notices of Motion:

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER'OF THE DAY :-

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 14th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8th JULY, 1897.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6. Servants' Registry Offices Bill—[30.] (To Members of Council only.) Companies Act 1896 Amendment Bill—[38.] (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. D. Ham. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Abbott. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.) Artificial Manures Bill—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. S. W. Cooke. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 5, 6, and 7. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8. Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 1. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-[18]: Geelong Recreation Site Sale Bill-[24]. Mining Development Bill-[36]. Mallee Tanks Bill-[37]. Eddington Land Bill--[41] Bendigo Land Sale Bill-[43]. Mandurang Lands Bill-[44]. Bairnsdale Land Sale Bill-[45]. Sale Lands Bill-[46]. Hamilton Land Bill-[47]. Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1897. No. 16.

Report of the Public Service Board. No. 21. Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Pilotage Receipts and Disbursements for the Year ended 31st

December, 1896; together, with Audit Commissioners' Certificate thereon. No, 22,

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 15TH JULY, 1897.

NOTICES OF MOTION (Unopposed) :-

- 1. MR. DUGGAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - 1. The number of Crown grants remaining unclaimed at the Titles Office and various Treasury offices in the colony.
 - 2. The amount of fees due in respect of such Crown grants.
- 2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of coal imported into the colony by the Railway Department during the last two years.
- 3. MR. BAKER ; To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all Reports of the Railways Standing Committee presented to the Honorable the Minister of Railways since 1st January last.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :---

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That in pursuance of section 26 of the Australasian Féderation Enabling Act 1896 this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the "Draft of a Bill to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia," framed under the provisions of the said Act.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- .1. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MINING DEVELOPMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 4. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 5. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 6. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading. 7. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 8. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 12. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 14. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 15. COMPANIES ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-To be considered.
- 16. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

- NOTICE OF MOTION :--
- 1. MR. IRVINE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the validity of the exercise of certain powers by the Commissioners of Savings Banks of Victoria.

Questions.

TUESDAY, 20TH JULY.

- 1. MR. GROSE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether, in connexion with the proposed
- regrading works on the Creswick and Daylesford line, due provision will be made for the unemployed in that district.
- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture-
 - 1. What has been the total cost to the Government up to the present date of the attempts to eradicate phylloxera since the first outbreak of the disease in the colony.
 - 2. What method is now pursued in awarding compensation for vines uprooted.

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3. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture-

1. If he will cause experiments to be made at the Dunolly Scent Farm with the various manures relative to different crops, for the information of farmers.

- Whether he will have planted a small area of vines and fruit trees at the farm, for the purpose 2. of demonstrating to vignerons the latest and most approved methods of planting and pruning.
- 4. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer whether the Government propose bringing about a more equitable distribution of the fees paid for publicans' licences, in view of the largely increased amount now being received by the Government.
- 5. MR. STAUGHTON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what leave was granted under section 133 of the Public Service Act 1890 to artisans in lunatic asylums for the year ending June, 1897.
- 6. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing how many new appointments have been made in the Railway Service during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897-
 - 1. The number of traffic superintendents and district traffic superintendents, and their clerks.
 - 2. The number of inspectors and sub-inspectors in the various branches.
 - The salaries showing increase (if any) and daily travelling allowances in each case.
 On whose recommendation such appointments were made.
- 7. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is he aware that the Commissioner has reduced the distance for which miners' tickets may be issued to 25 miles.
 - 2. Is it with his concurrence that this alteration has been made,
- 8. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. Is he aware that the 1895-6 Education Report shows that 83,540 Victorian children of school age, apart from those privately educated, are not complying with the compulsory clauses of the Education Act.
 - 2. What steps will be taken to remedy the very serious state of affairs thus disclosed.
- 9. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what recommendation he has made on the petition of the warders of the asylums.
- 10. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it a fact that every boy seeking work in the Railway Department is compelled to have a State school certificate.
 - 2. If so, will the Honorable the Minister say how any boy not possessing such certificate can obtain it or its equivalent.
- 11. MR. GRAY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it a fact that the privilege hitherto conceded to the officers of the Post and Telegraph Department to travel at holiday excursion fares while on annual leave has been discontinued by the Railway Department
 - 2. If so, why.
 - 3. Will the Department grant some concession to such officers when on annual leave.
- 12. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - 1. If Victorian legal practitioners are debarred from practising in Western Australia.
 - 2. If so, will he endeavour to get the West Australian Government to remove this disability from the legal practitioners of Victoria.
- 13. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it is a fact that the State school at the Metropolitan Farm is shamefully overcrowded, and if such is the fact will he have this state of affairs attended to at once.
- 14. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that certain daily-paid station-masters have been placed upon the salaried staff, and have had their pay reduced accordingly.
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 - 1. When the operating messengers will receive the increment of 10s. a month, as placed on the Estimates, 1896-7, for them. 1.1 1357577
 - 2. If those operating messengers will be classified as operators in the new classification.

WEDNESDAY, 21st JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE 'DAY :-

- HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading: -Resumption of debate.
- 5. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 6. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.

- 7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.

- ALIENS BILL—Second reading.
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 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
- 13. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading

NOTICE OF MOTION':-

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum. should have their pensions increased to that amount.

WEDNESDAY, 28th JULY.

General Business

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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General Business.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate. 2: AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON. Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 15th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION :---

Upon Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs' motion, That the House do' " now " go into Committee to consider the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Bill-

1. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That the word "now" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words "this day three months."

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH JULY, 1897.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-[18]. (To Members of Council only.) Insolvency Bill.-Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. R. Reid. (To Members of Council only.)

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

Exported Products Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl. (To Members only.) Companies Act 1896 Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.) Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1895.—Appendix to Part VI.—Population. Municipal Finances. No. 3. Australasian Statistics for the Year 1895. No. 4. Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1896.—Part II.—Interchange. No. 13.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 20TH JULY, 1897...

Questions.

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 - 2. Whether he will have planted a small area of vines and fruit trees at the farm, for the purpose of demonstrating to vignerons the latest and most approved methods of planting and pruning.
- 4. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer whether the Government propose bringing about a more equitable distribution of the fees paid for publicans' licences, in view of the largely increased amount now being received by the Government.
- 5. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what leave was granted under section 133 of the *Public Service Act* 1890 to artisans in lunatic asylums for the year ending June, 1897.
- 6. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return showing how many new appointments have been made in the Railway Service during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897---
 - 1. The number of traffic superintendents and district traffic superintendents, and their clerks.
 - 2. The number of inspectors and sub-inspectors in the various branches.
 - 3. The salaries showing increase (if any) and daily travelling allowances in each case.
 - 4. On whose recommendation such appointments were made.
- 7. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is he aware that the Commissioner has reduced the distance for which miners' tickets may be issued to 25 miles.
 - 2. Is it with his concurrence that this alteration has been made.
- 8. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. Is he aware that the 1895-6 Education Report shows that 83,540 Victorian children of school age, apart from those privately educated, are not complying with the compulsory clauses of the Education Act.
 - 2. What steps will be taken to remedy the very serious state of affairs thus disclosed.
- 9. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what recommendation he has made on the petition of the warders of the asylums.
- 10. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it a fact that every boy seeking work in the Railway Department is compelled to have a State school certificate.
 - 2. If so, will the Honorable the Minister say how any boy not possessing such certificate can obtain it or its equivalent.
- 11. Mr. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it a fact that the privilege hitherto conceded to the officers of the Post and Telegraph Department to travel at holiday excursion fares while on annual leave has been discontinued by the Railway Department.
 - 2. If so, why.
 - 3. Will the Department grant some concession to such officers when on annual leave.

- 12. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General

 - If Victorian legal practitioners are debarred from practising in Western Australia.
 If so, will be endeavour to get the West Australian Government to remove this disability from the legal practitioners of Victoria.
- 13. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it / is a fact that the State school at the Metropolitan Farm is shamefully overcrowded, and if such is the fact will he have this state of affairs attended to at once.
- 14. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that certain daily-paid station-masters have been placed upon the salaried staff, and have had their pay reduced accordingly.
- 15. MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. When the operating messengers will receive the increment of 10s. a month, as placed on the Estimates, 1896–7, for them.

2. If those operating messengers will be classified as operators in the new classification.

16. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether it is the intention of the Government to take immediate action with the view of constructing some extensions of the present railway lines deeper into the Mallee country.

Government Business:

- ORDERS OF THE DAY :-
- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be considered in Committee.
- 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-∽To be considered.
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
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- 15. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House dealing with wheat futures should be considered an illegal practice.

> WEDNESDAY, 21st JULY. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

- ORDERS OF THE DAY:
- 1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee. 2. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR To he considered in Committee.

 - 3. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
 - 5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL--Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 6. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 7. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading. 9. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading. 10. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.

- 11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GRELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading. 12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

- 13. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 14. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

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- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY. Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 20th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock. STANDING ORDERS-at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15th JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 7. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8. Australasian Federation Submission Bill.-[13]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10. Geelong Trades Hall Site Sale Bill.—[25]. Local Government (Geelong) Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.) Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria for 1896, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Financial Year 1895-6. No. 18.

Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the Electric Light and Power Act 1896 for the Year 1896. 'No. 30.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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WEDNESDAY, 21sr JULY, 1897.

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- 5. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - 1. If Victorian legal practitioners are debarred from practising in Western Australia.
 - 2. If so, will be endeavour to get the West Australian Government to remove this disability from the legal practitioners of Victoria.
- 6. MR. GURR :- To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when casual hands who have been employed for over five years in the Railway Department will be placed on the permanent staff; in accordance with the *Railways* Act 1896.
- 7. MR. SALMON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the expressions of opinion which have reached him, he will cause the new regulation respecting miners' tickets to be suspended until the return of the Right Honorable the Premier, before whom he has promised to place the matter.
- **18.** MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Whether it is the practice of the Railway Department to "call" the unemployed painters in; the order of their registration.
 - 2. Whether there is at present any work available for painters.
- 9. MR. STERRY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether the statement is correct in the *Argus* newspaper with regard to the Mines Bill, viz., that the Government had withdrawn the original Bill and substituted another with fresh provisions, and recast other portions of the measure. If so, what is the nature of the new provisions, and how far will they interfere with the ultimate passing of the Bill.
- 10. MR. COOK: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to lay on the Library table the papers connected with the case of Robert John Forbes and Detectives Considine and Brown.

11. MR. MURRAY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-

- 1. Having regard to the uncertainty of the law concerning section 10 of the Unlawful Assemblies and Processions Act 1890, and the legality or otherwise of the members of the Loyal Orange Lodge marching in procession through the public streets wearing the regalia of their lodge, and having regard to the opinions of Messrs. Box and Goldsmith, of learned counsel, as published in the press, will the Government obtain further legal opinion and advice at once as to the true and proper interpretation of the said section 10; if not, for what reason.
- 2. Will the Government at the earliest possible moment introduce a Bill to remove all doubts as to the illegality of the procession that took place at Brunswick on the 18th day of July, 1897, and to abolish completely and effectually all party processions.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :-

- 1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing how many new appointments have been made in the Railway Service during the financial year ending 30th June, 1897-
 - 1. The number of traffic superintendents and district traffic superintendents, and their clerks.
 - 2. The number of inspectors and sub-inspectors in the various branches.
 - 3. The salaries showing increase (if any) and daily travelling allowances in each case.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

4. On whose recommendation such appointments were made.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. COMPANIES ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-TO be considered.
- COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee. 2
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 12. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 13. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENOMENT. BILL-Second reading. 14. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 15. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee. 2. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR To be considered in Committee.
- 3. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 6. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 7. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading. 9. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 10. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
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- 13. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 14. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate. 2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eigh't o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-1. REFERENDUM BILL - Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITT

Wednesday, 21st July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock."

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 15th JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 8. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 9. Exported Products Bill-[10]. (To Members of Council only.)

Mines Bill

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Sir H. J. Wirxon. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. A. Wallace. (To Members of Council only.) Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. A. O. Sachse. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.) Mining Development Bill-[36]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 8, 9, and 10.

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

Homestead Bill-[26]

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Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl and Mr. Fink. (To Members only.) Further Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl and Mr. Fink. (To Members only.

Penal Establishments and Gaols — Report of the Inspector-General for the Year 1896. No. 26. Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st.

July, 1896, to 31st December, 1896. No. 27. Final Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into the Alleged Deteriorated Condition of Victorian Butter in England, and to report as to the best means of maintaining a High Standard for Perishable Produce exported from Victoria; with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices. No. 31.

First Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Old-Age Pensions. No. 32.

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No. 12.

THURSDAY, 22nd JULY, 1897.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. COMPANIES ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-TO be considered.
- COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION—To be further considered in Committee.
 MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- 4. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
 6. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

- SALE LAND DESCRIPTION DILL—Second reading.
 FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL—Second reading.
 GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL—Second reading.
 MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT—To be considered.

- 15. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 16. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 18. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

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TUESDAY, 27TH JULY.

Questions.

I. MR. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-

- 1. When the operating messengers will receive the increment of 10s. a month, as placed on the Estimates, 1896-7, for them.
- 2. If those operating messengers will be classified as operators in the new classification.
- 2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-
 - 1. Did Gunner John Marmo, of the Victorian Permanent Artillery, pass the Police examination on the 2nd June last.
 - 2. Has his name been removed from the list of successful candidates ; and, if so, for what reason.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:-

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- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

- 1. TRACTION ENGINES-REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate. 2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- Governmens Bar herry 3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered mittee.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 8. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading: 9. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Šecond reading.
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> WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

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Thursday, 22nd July.

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 - 1. Did Gunner John Marmo, of the Victorian Permanent Artillery, pass the Police examination on the 2nd June last.
 - 2. Has his name been removed from the list of successful candidates; and, if so, for what reason.
- 3. MR. LAZARUS: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to place upon the table of the Library all the papers relative to the claims of ex-Constable P. Fox, of Bendigo, who was injured whilst on duty during Easter week, 1896.
- 4. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. If it is a fact that the Commissioners of Savings Banks are engaging hands to serve as clerks, in lieu of providing for those on the staff of the Post Office Savings Banks.

 - Are the Commissioners leasing a portion of the Equitable Buildings.
 Why is the present building in Post Office-place to be unused by the Savings Banks.
- 5. MR. BRAKE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if it is a fact that free railway passes are being issued by the Mining Department to the unemployed of Melbourne, whilst similar concessions are refused to the unemployed in the country ; and, if so, what is the reason.
- 6. MR. GURR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. If it is a fact that operators, with years' service in the Postal Department, and transferred to similar positions in the Railway Department, are not considered entitled to their Postal time in classification for seniority, the time being continuous.
 - 2. If so, will he inquire into this anomaly with a view of rectifying it.
- 7. MR. T. SWITH : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1 Did the Cabinet decide (as reported in the Age and Argus newspapers of 27th October last) to pay increments to the railway employés receiving less than £100 per annum as from 1st July, 1896.
 - 2. Were all the increments granted under £100 paid as from 1st July, 1896.
 - 3. If not, when will they be paid.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
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- 7. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

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 FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL—Second reading.
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- 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.

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- 17. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 18. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:---

General Business.

- 1 MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colouy on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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- 5. MR. MURRAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the Totalizator.
- 6. MR. HAMILTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House dealing with wheat futures should be considered an illegal practice.
- 7. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

General Business.

- TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
 Auction Sales Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.
 HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 8. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading. 10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL—Second reading. 12. ALIENS BILL—Second reading.

- 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 15. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
- 16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 17. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business. ORDER OF THE DAY :-

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 27th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at half-past eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22nd JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 10. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13. Australasian Federation Submission Bill-[13]. (To Members only.)

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No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-
 - 1. Did Gunner John Marmo, of the Victorian Permanent Artillery, pass the Police examination on the 2nd June last.
 - 2. Has his name been removed from the list of successful candidates ; and, if so, for what reason.
- 2. MR. MCCAY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it a fact that women in charge and porters' wives who receive an allowance of not more than 2s. per day for attending gates are not to be allowed time off for the Jubilec holidays (22nd and 26th June), but are to receive one and a half days' additional pay instead.
 - 2. Will the Honorable the Minister arrange to allow these women one and a half days' time off if . they prefer it to receiving the extra remuneration.
- 3: Mr. LONGMORE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he will bring in a short Bill to indemnify shire councils who will be unable, through adverse circumstances, to balance the municipal accounts on the 30th September next as required by law.
- 4. MR. STAUGHTON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary--
 - 1. How many public holidays (exclusive of Jubilee days) were there for the year ending 30th June last under section 135 of the Public Service Act.
 - 2. Are artisans in lunatic asylums entitled to all such days, or days in lien there if If so, how is it that only seven such holidays were granted to them. If not, to what particular days are they entitled.
- 5. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been called to the statement in the Age newspaper that the Victorian leaf tobacco grown on the King River and exported for sale in London was equal to American as by the report cabled to New York on the subject, and if this good news has been confirmed to him officially.
- 6. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether it is a fact that municipal councillors are to be debarred from appointment as Government auditors.
- 7. MR. McColl : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. Did the Right Honorable the Premier; Sir George Turner, last Session promise, that a Cabinet Committee should be appointed to deal during the recess with the anomalies in the Public Service.
 - 2. Was the Committee appointed.
 - Who are the members of the Committee. 3.
 - Were reports obtained from the heads-of the various Departments with reference to anomalies, and were these, together with recommendations of the Public Service Board, sent to such Committee.
 - 5. Was Mr. Cohen, Chief Clerk to the Mines Department, named in any such report, and did the Board recommend him for promotion. .
 - 6. What action has been taken by the Committee with regard to the iccommendations of the Public ÷-, Service Board. . .
- 8. MR. HAMILTON : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier and Attorney-General-
 - 1. Whether his attention has been drawn to a statement in the public press to the effect that a solicitor, named William Powling, had charged Henry Lyfield the sum of £1,200 for defending
 - him on a charge of murder. 2. As Lyfield was afterwards adjudged insane, at least so far as murder was concerned, is it not probable he was insane on financial matters also when he agreed (as alleged by Powling) to pay him £1,200 for the case.
 - 3. Will the Honorable the Acting Premier order an inquiry to be made as to the costs of this case, with a view to saving some of the amount from Powling in order to provide for the relatives of Lyfield.
 - 4: If the present law allows a solicitor to take the whole of his client's property on a bill of costs in such a case as this, will the Honorable the Acting Premier bring in a Bill-this Session to

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9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply whether the Government intends during the present Session of Parliament to introduce any fresh legislation in relation to water conservation and irrigation.

10. Mr. McColl: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture-

- 1. At what date did the Vegetation Diseases Act come into operation.
- 2. Is the Act operative at present.
 - 3. If not, what are the reasons.
 - 4. What steps does the Minister intend to take to see the Act carried out.
- 11. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what action, if any, he intends taking with reference to an application to have certain Crown lands in the parish of Leaghur proclaimed a Farmers' Common.
- 12. MR. SANGSTER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. Is it a fact that a number of State-school teachers have been refused promotion under their new classification in order that they might not receive increments to which they would be entitled in the event of such promotion.
 - 2. Is the Minister aware that some teachers have been for some years receiving, and are still receiving, the salary of the class under which they were previously classified, less the percentage reductions.
 - 3. Does the Government not think that these teachers should be allowed the promotion to which they are justly entitled, seeing that they are paid under an Act which has made a very material reduction in their salaries.
 - 4. Will the Government take an early opportunity of granting the promotions recommended by the Department.
- 13. MR. BROMLEY: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if the Government will recommend for classification those now in the Non-clerical Division of the Public Service who have from twelve to twenty-five years' service, and are performing responsible and purely clerical duties.
- 14. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. What is at present the number of officers and employés in the Railway Department who were a pointed between the passing of the Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883 and the coming into operation of that Act.
 - 2. Is it true that these officers and employes were, until lately, induced by the Railway departmental authorities to believe that they were entitled to compensation or retiring allowance, to be computed under the provisions of the Act No. 160.
 - 3. Have these officers and employes been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883, and, if so, when.
 - What is the estimated amount necessary to expend in order to give these men compensation or retiring allowances, and how is the estimate reached.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

- ORDERS OF THE DAY :---
- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee. 2. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 7. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
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- 10. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 11. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.
- 14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 18. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

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TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST.

Questions.

- 1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if he will obtain from the Commissioners of Savings Banks a return showing-
 - 1. The names of employés and their salaries.
 - 2. The number of rented buildings, site, and rental paid.
- 2. Mr. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. If, when considering the question of the increments to messengers in the Post Office, the Cabinet will also consider the question of increments to all other Civil Servants.
 - Whether the Cabinet will also consider the advisability of placing the wages men under Statute law in the same way as those receiving salaries.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST: (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

- AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 8. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 12. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GRELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 15. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 17. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :--1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 28th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at twelve o'clock.

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- PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22nd JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 11.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 12. Insolvency Bill—[11]. (To Members of Council only.) Artificial Manures Bill—[34]. (To Members of Council only.)

Fences Bill-[54].

Mines Bill—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. Sternberg. (To Members of Council only.) Companies Act 1896 Amendment Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council; how dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (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. 14.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 2.

St. Arnaud Land Bill-[39]. Gisborne Land Bill-[40]. Mortgage Limitation Bill-[49].

South Melbourne Land Bill-[50].

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. R. Murray Smith and Mr. Moule. (To Members only.)

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

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Irvine. (To Members only.) Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Rogers. (To Members only.) Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Carter. (To Members only.)

- Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Alternative Routes for Narrow-gauge Permanent Survey to the Beech Forest ; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence. C.-No. 1A.
- Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Alternative Grades for Beech Forest Narrow-gauge Permanent Survey between the Gellibrand River and Gardiner's; together with Appendix. C.-No. 1c.
- First Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act No. 1470. (Works at Benalla Station.) C.-No. 1D
- Second Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act No. 1470. (Regrading Works, Geelong to Camperdown (Regrading Works, Geelong to Camperdown C.-No. lE. Line)
- Third Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act No. 1470. (Regrading Works and Lengthening Station Yards, North-Eastern Line.) C.-No. 1F. Fourth Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure

inder Railway Loan Application Act No. 1470. (Improved Car Lighting.) C.—No. 1G. Fifth Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act No. 1470. (Spencer-street Station-yard Improvements.) С.— No. 1н.

First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders. D.-No. 1. The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.-Fifth General Report. No. 19.

Bank Liabilities and Assets .- Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1896. No. 29.

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Motion and Orders of the Day. Notices of

No. 15.

THURSDAY, 29TH JULY, 1897.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :---

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amounts of money appropriated during the year ended 30th June, 1897, to each municipality in the colony from fines in the Supreme and other Courts, specifying the Act and the municipality in each instance; also the totals under each Act placed to Consolidated Revenue, to Police Superannuation Fund, to informers, to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, to the poor-box, and otherwise.

Government Business.

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- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
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- 15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 16. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST.

Questions.

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 - 2. The number of rented buildings, site, and rental paid.
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 - 3. Have these officers and employés been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883, and, if so, when.
 - 4. What is the estimated amount necessary to expend in order to give these men compensation or retiring allowances, and how is the estimate reached.

7. MR. MCCAY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-

- 1. What was the number of paid pupils in training and of students in training at the passing of the
- Act No. 710; how many of them had completed their training prior to the date of the passing of the Act No. 773; and how many of them are now in the service of the Department.
 2. Are those now in the service of the Department entitled to compensation or pension on retiring in due course.
- 3. If not, is it true that until lately they or any of them were led by the departmental authorities to believe that they were so entitled.
- 4. Have they been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883.
- 8. MR. SALMON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to furnish a return showing-
 - 1. The station-masters in the Railway Department who have no telegraphy certificates.
 - 2. Those who have been reduced for failure to gain telegraphy certificates.
 - 3. The qualifications possessed by No. 2, and the length of service of Nos. 1 and 2.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

General Business.

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(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 8. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading. 10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
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- 16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 17. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.

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- 7. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business. ORDER OF THE DAY :--

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 29th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 12. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15. Auction Sales Bill-[35].

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill—Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Deakin. (To Members only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1897.

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 - 2. Has his name been removed from the list of successful candidates ; and, if 'so, for what reason.
- 4. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether it is a fact that municipal councillors are to be debarred from appointment as Government auditors.
- 5. MR. SANGSTER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. Is it a fact that a number of State-school teachers have been refused promotion under their new classification in order that they might not receive increments to which they would be entitled in the event of such promotion.
 - 2. Is the Minister aware that some teachers have been for some years receiving, and are still receiving, the salary of the class under which they were previously classified, less the percentage reductions.
 - 3. Does the Government not think that these teachers should be allowed the promotion to which they are justly entitled, seeing that they are paid under an Act which has made a very material reduction in their salaries.
 - 4. Will the Government take an early opportunity of granting the promotions recommended by the Department.
- 6. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. What is at present the number of officers and employés in the Railway Department who were appointed between the passing of the Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883 and the coming into operation of that Act.
 - 2. Is it true that these officers and employés were, until lately, induced by the Railway departmental authorities to believe that they were entitled to compensation or retning allowance, to be computed under the provisions of the Act No. 160.
 - 3. Have these officers and employés been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883, and, if so, when.
 - 4. What is the estimated amount necessary to expend in order to give these men compensation or retiring allowances, and how is the estimate reached.
- 7. MR. MCCAY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. What was the number of paid pupils in training and of students in training at the passing of the Act No. 710; how many of them had completed their training prior to the date of the passing of the Act No. 773; and how many of them are now in the service of the Department.
 - 2. Are those now in the service of the Department entitled to compensation or pension on retiring in due course.
 - 3. If not, is it true that until lately they or any of them were led by the departmental authorities to believe that they were so entitled.
 - 4. Have they been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883.

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- 8. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to furnish a return showing-
 - 1. The station-masters in the Railway Department who have no telegraphy certificates.
 - 2. Those who have been reduced for failure to gain telegraphy certificates.
 - 3 The qualifications possessed by No. 2, and the length of service of Nos. 1 and 2.
- 9. Mr. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. What is the tender price for the painting of Kerang and five other stations south of it.
 - 2. How many square yards of work are there to paint.
 - 3. Are the tenderers to find all materials, pay their own freight and fares, and pay the minimum wage of 8s. a day.
 - 4. What has been the price hitherto paid by the Department for similar work where the Department found the materials and railway passes, and what were the average wages earned.
- 10. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, in view of the Exported Products Bill having been rejected, what action does he propose to take to uphold the reputation of the colony with regard to its products in the markets of the world, and also to protect the producers of the colony from unprincipled dealers in Melbourne.
- 11. Mr. Cook : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it true that only those porters, lampmen, and carriage cleaners who have been eight years in the service are to get a rise of 6d. per day from 1st July. Is it also true that all other hands doing the same work have not less than seven years' service.
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 - 3. What is the reason for creating the one year's distinction.
 - 4. Will he see that all the men get the rise indicated.
- 12. MR. MCLEOD: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will take into consideration the position of the lessees of the reclaimed area of Condah Swamp, with the view to taking necessary measures (by Bill or otherwise) to make permanent the reduction of rents that were granted for a term of five years in 1893.
- 13. MR. DEAKIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to state-
 - 1. The estimated cost of constructing the new Flinders-street Station and approaches, as represented upon the plan laid upon the Library table.
 - The estimated proportion of that cost to be spent in labour.
 - 3. The estimated proportion of the work to be done (a) by contract, (b) by day labour.
 - 4. The number of men that could be immediately employed upon these works.
- 14. MR. MASON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey-
 - 1. If he is aware that selectors are in many cases 'debarred from the privilege of obtaining loans from the Savings Bank owing to the fact that they are in arrears with their rent, and consequently cannot get their leases from the Department.
 - 2. If, with a view to assist bonâ fide settlers, he will, wherever practicable, issue the leases to the Savings Bank, and arrange with that institution to deduct the amount of arrears owing to the Department from the loan which the bank may be willing to grant to the selector on the security of the lease.

Government Business.

- , ORDERS OF THE DAY :---
- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2: MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 7. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 9. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

- 10. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 11. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.

12. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.

- 14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 18. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-

- 1. Is it a fact that the Public Service Act of 1883 and the Public Service Board's Regulations grade asylum warders into three classes-one-sixth in the first, one-third in the second, and one-half in the third class.
- 2. Have the Act and the Regulations been strictly carried out ; and, if not, will the Honorable the Chief Secretary see that they are enforced.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

- ORDERS OF THE DAY :-
- 1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, -To be considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 8. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 12. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GRELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 15. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading:
- 16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 17. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:-

General Business.

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- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.
- 3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
- 4. MR. INVINE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the validity of the exercise of certain powers by the Commissioners of Savings Banks of Victoria
- 5. MR. MURRAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the Totalizator.
- 6. MR. HAMILTON .: To move, That in the opinion of this House dealing with wheat futures should be considered an illegal practice.
- 7. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :-1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 3rd August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29th JULY, 1897.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

1. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-

- 1. Is it true that only those porters, lampmen, and carriage cleaners who have been eight years in the service are to get a rise of 6d. per day from 1st July.
- .2.
- Is it also true that all other hands doing the same work have not less than seven years' service. 3. What is the reason for creating the one year's distinction.
 - 4. Will he see that all the men get the rise indicated.
- 2. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if he will obtain from the Commissioners of Savings Banks a return showing-
 - 1. The names of employés and their salaries.
 - 2. The number of rented buildings, site, and rental paid

3. Mr. Cook : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-

- 1. Is it a fact that the Public Service Act of 1883 and the Public Service Board's Regulations grade asylum warders into three classes-one-sixth in the first, one-third in the second, and one-half in the third class
- 2. Have the Act and the Regulations been strictly carried out ; and, if not, will the Honorable the Chief Secretary see that they are enforced.
- 4. MR. A. W. H. WHITE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is the intention of the Railway Department to resume the running of the early morning train from Echuca to Toolamba, and of the evening train from Toolamba to Echuca; and, if so, when.
- 6. Mr. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will cause copies of the affidavits that may be taken in his Department re enforcing the minimum wage to be posted in some conspicuous place where the public may inspect the same.

6. MR. MURRAY : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-

- 1. The amount of money saved to the State by the disbanding of the Rupertswood Battery.
- 2. If he will apply the money thus saved towards increasing the capitation allowance to the Mounted Rifles and giving them additional instructors.
- 7. MR. RUSSELL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will order a survey to be made of the famous A B C line of reef at Newtown, in view of the difficulty of deciding the course of the reef and its undoubted richness.
- 8. MR. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what is the reason that the railway improvements at Camberwell station, for which he promised, on the 30th June last, tenders would be invited at once, have not been proceeded with.
- 9. MR. HAMILTON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General-
 - 1. How many inquests were held by Mr. Dwyer, P.M., in the Bendigo District during 1896 and , the first three months of 1897.
 - Have the remarks of Mr Justice a'Beckett delivered in the Supreme Court, Bendigo, regarding the perfunctory holding of an inquest at Eaglehawk been departmentally noted:
- 10. Mr. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines of he is having inquiries made concerning the new patent quartz crusher described in the Age newspaper of the 2nd inst.; and, if so, will he make the result public as soon as the investigation is completed.
- Government Business.
- (Until half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion :-

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

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2. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the House, at its rising to-morrow, adjourn until the following day, at three o'clock p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.

- 2. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading. 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
- 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL--Second reading.
- 7. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 9. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

- 10. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 11. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered. 14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 16. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading. 17. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 18. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

. General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :

- 1. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 2. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee. 4. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To he considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.

- MUNICHAL ELECTORS BILL—Second reading.
 MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL—Second reading.
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 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL—Second reading.
- 12. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GRELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading. 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 15. MORTGAGED, PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.

16. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading. 17. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. HIGGINS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-

- 1. What is at present the number of officers and employes in the Railway Department who were appointed between the passing of the Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883 and the coming into operation of that Act.
- 2. Is it true that these officers and employes were, until lately, induced by the Railway departmental authorities to believe that they were entitled to compensation or retiring allowance, to be computed under the provisions of the Act No. 160.
- 3. Have these officers and employés been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883, and, if so, when.
- 4. What is the estimated amount necessary to expend in order to give these men compensation or retiring allowances, and how is the estimate reached.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:-

General Business.

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EDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST

(After half-past eight o'clock.) General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 4th August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29th JULY, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 14.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15. Employers' Liability Bill—Printed and circulated for the information of Honorable Members of the Legislative Council.

Artificial Manures Bill-New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. S. W. Cooke. (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. 17. Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3. Insolvency Bill—[11]. (To Members only.)

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-

Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Irvine. (To Members only.)

New Clause to follow Clause 57 to be proposed by Mr. Deakin. (To Members only.) Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Alternative Routes for Narrow-gauge

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No. 18.

THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at three o'clock pm.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-To be considered.
- 4. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 5. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 6. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 7. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading. 10. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
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- 12. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 13. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 14. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 15. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.
- 16. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 18. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
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- TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST.
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- 4. MR. HAMILTON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the provisions of the Companies Act 1896 relating to auditors apply to societies registered under the Provident Societies Act 1890.

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- 5. MR. HARPER : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier whether he will submit the question of the construction of the Flinders-street to Collingwood line to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for report, that Committee having already reported on the general question of a connexion with the Northern Suburbs that the line via Collingwood should be first constructed.
- 6. MR. KENNEDY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-
 - 1. Is he aware that bread and dough are being introduced from New South Wales into Victoria across the Murray free of duty, whilst wheat and flour are dutiable.
 - 2. If so, what action does the Honorable the Minister propose to take with a view to remedying the injustice to which flour-millers and bakers in Victorian border towns are subject under existing conditions.
- 7. MR. Zox : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-
 - 1. If his attention has been called to the frequent reports of cases of infanticide and of deaths amongst boarded-out children.
 - 2. Will the Government take steps to remedy this evil and to ameliorate the condition of the unfortunate children of this class.

8. MR. J. B. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works-

- 1. Is it a fact that the Paymaster of his Department retains certain sums of money from settlers' earnings at Koo-wee-rup as premiums for fire insurance on their houses and fixtures without giving such settlers either insurance policy or premium receipt.
- 2. If so, does he approve of this action.
- Are such policies effected to secure any Government Department against loss by fire ; and, if so, 3. what Department, and what lien has the State on such property.
- Will the Honorable the Minister inform the House what company or companies do this class of business.
- 9. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will alter the regulations for grazing licences under the 126th section of the Land Act 1890, so that in all cases where the rent is under twenty shillings per annum the five shillings fee for the licence on renewal will not be charged in future:

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. BEST: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to permit cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrel! Down's Station, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the correspondence between the Minister of Lands and Mr. E. H. Lascelles, as laid upon the Table of the House on the 4th August, 1897.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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- REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
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- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW. AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
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- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Spe'aker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 5th August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH AUGUST, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 15. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 16.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-[18]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18. Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-Amendments to be proposed by Mr. McLean. (To Members only.)

Tyrrell Downs Station.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 3rd August, 1897, for a Copy of the letters between the Minister of Lands and Mr. E. H. Lascelles with reference to the future and further cultivation of 125,000 acres of land forming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station. C.-No. 4.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

1. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-

- 1. What is at present the number of officers and employés in the Railway Department who were appointed between the passing of the Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883 and the coming into operation of that Act.
- 2. Is it true that these officers and employés were, until lately, induced by the Railway departmental authorities to believe that they were entitled to compensation or retiring allowance, to be computed under the provisions of the Act No. 160.
- 3. Have these officers and employés been required to effect insurances on their lives under the Act of 1883, and, if so, when.
- 4. What is the estimated amount necessary to expend in order to give these men compensation or retiring allowances, and how is the estimate reached.
- 2. MR. MURRAY : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. The amount of money saved to the State by the disbanding of the Rupertswood Battery.
 - 2. If he will apply the money thus saved towards increasing the capitation allowance to the Mounted Rifles and giving them additional instructors.
- 3. MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he is having inquiries made concerning the new patent quartz crusher described in the Age newspaper of the 2nd inst.; and, if so, will he make the result public as soon as the investigation is completed.
- 4. MR. HAMILTON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the provisions of the Companies. Act 1896 relating to auditors apply to societies registered under the Provident Societies Act 1890.
- 5. MR. KENNEDY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-
 - 1. Is he aware that bread and dough are being introduced from New South Wales into Victoria across the Murray free of duty, whilst wheat and flour are dutiable.
 - 2. If so, what action does the Honorable the Minister propose to take with a view to remedying the injustice to which flour-millers and bakers in Victorian border towns are subject under existing conditions.
- 6. MR. Zox : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary-
 - 1. If his attention has been called to the frequent reports of cases of infanticide and of deaths amongst boarded-out children.
 - 2. Will the Government take steps to remedy this evil and to ameliorate the condition of the unfortunate children of this class.
- 7. MR. J. B. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works-
 - Is it a fact that the Paymaster of his Department retains certain sums of money from settlers' earnings at Koo-wee-rup as premiums for fire insurance on their houses and fixtures without giving such settlers either insurance policy or premium receipt.

2. If so, does he approve of this action.

3. Are such policies effected to secure any Government Department against loss by fire; and, if so, what Department, and what lien has the State on such property.

4. Will the Honorable the Minister inform the House what company or companies do this class of business.

8. MB. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will alter the regulations for grazing licences under the 126th section of the *Land Act* 1890, so that in all cases where the rent is under twenty shillings per annum the five shillings fee for the licence on renewal will not be charged in future. 9. MR. Zox : To ask the Honorable the Acting Treasurer-

- 1. Is he of opinion that an employer can be properly charged income tax on a sum of money paid to his collector, but embezzled by the collector, and which therefore never has been received by the employer.
- 2. Is he aware that the Income Tax Department are demanding payment of income tax under such circumstances.
- 10. Mr. J. B. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if it is his intention to re-introduce the Wages Attachment Bill brought in by him on the 29th May, 1895; and, if so, when.

-11. MR. HAMILTON : To ask the Hönorable the Attorney-General-

- 1. Is it a fact that in each prosecution in the Bendigo City Court for ordinary breaches of the Forest Regulations it is the practice to employ a barrister to prosecute, thus piling up costs against poor men, without any advantage to the Department.
- 2. If so, when was this system instituted, and why.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :-

- 1. MR. BEST : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to permit cultivation of 125,000 acres of land torming part of the Tyrrell Downs Station, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the correspondence between the Minister of Lands and Mr. E H. Lascelles, as laid upon the Table of the House on the 4th August, 1897. -
- 2. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Wangaratta to Whitfield.
- ORDERS OF THE DAY :-
- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee. 2. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 6 3. Eddington Land Resumption Bill-Second reading.
- 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12 7. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
 - 8. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
 - 9. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
 - 10. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading.
 - 11. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- C.12. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
 - 13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.

 - 14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- . 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 18. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- . 19. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

- 1. MR. SALVON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
- 2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.
- 3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway peusioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.

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10 5. Mr. MURRAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the Totalizator.

- 6. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House dealing with wheat futures should be - considered an illegal practice.
- 7. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be 123 referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.)

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

General Business.

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading. 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR ---To be considered in Committee. 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW, AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 9. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL—Second reading. 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GELLONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

- 16. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading. 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 12th August.

only.)

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH AUGUST, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 16. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Sir Henry Wrixon. (To Members of Council only.) Exported Products Bill-New clause to be proposed by the Hon. Agar Wynne. (To Members of Council

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

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. DOWNWARD : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health if, having regard to the crowded state of the Melbourne and St. Kilda cemeteries, he will bring in a Bill to provide for a Metropolitan General Cemetery.
- 2. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-
 - 1. Is it true that gristing of oats in bond is allowed by the Customs Department.

 - Was the practice not absolutely abolished under a resolution of this House.
 When was gristing of oats in bond resumed, on whose authority, and under what conditions is it allowed.
- 3. MR. DEAKIN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a commencement can be made in removing and replacing the lines of railway in accordance with the plan for the new Flindersstreet Station.
- 4. MR. ROGERS : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if in any proposed scheme for reclassification of the State Service he will secure representation on the Commission for the State servants, and arrange for a right of appeal against decisions of any future State Service Board to a County Court Judge on suitable conditions.
- 5. MR. KERR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if, when surveying the line of quartz reef from Clunes to Rokewood, he will place permanent marks through all intervening Crown lands as a guide to prospectors.
- 6. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier (for the Honorable the Postmaster-General)-
 - 1. Have the contracts for supplying the General Post Office with electrical appliances a minimum wage clause.
 - 2. If not, will the Government insert one in all future contracts.
- 7. MR. KERR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when the Mines Department intend continuing the boring on Pitfield Plains, so as to determine the trend of the deep lead running through the same:
- 8. MR. KIRTON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction-
 - 1. To which officer of the Education Department are State-school teachers responsible for the drill which forms a part of the curriculum-the District Inspector or the Commander of the Cadet Force.
 - 2. If to the latter, to what extent are non-military teachers expected to be proficient.
 - 3. If to the former, in what light must teachers regard instructions from the Cadet Commander as to their attaining military proficiency.
- 9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he has finally arranged with Messrs. Adams and Kersall for the resumption of their mallee blocks 53B and 54A; if so, when will they be available for selection.
- 10. Mr. J. S. WHITE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-
 - 1. Is he aware that on account of the severe season our stock markets are barely supplied with sufficient fat cattle to supply the consuming public.
 - 2. Is he also aware that on account of such small supply the price of meat has risen over 100 per cent.
 - 3. Will he, with a view of giving relief to the people, suspend the operation of the Stock Tax Act for, say, six months.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion :-

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-To be considered.
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 12. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 13. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 14. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.
- 15. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 16. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

17. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.

- 18. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 19. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 20. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:---

- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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- 5. MR. MURRAY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the Totalizator.
- 6. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House dealing with wheat futures should be considered an illegal practice.
- 7. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.
- 8. MR. T. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make better provision for voting by seamen, commercial travellers, and shearers at Legislative Assembly elections.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :--

1. MR ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at three o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 9. MUNICIPAL ELÉCTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.

14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 16. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading. 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 12th August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at cloven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 5th AUGUST, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 17.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18. Workmen (Compensation for Accidents) Bill—An English Bill printed and circulated for the information of Honorable Members of the Legislative Council.

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. C. Sargeant. (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)

Exported Products Bill-

New clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Connor. (To Members of Council only.) Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. A. O. Sachse. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 17, 18, and 19.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 4

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill-Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Elections by the Hare System in Tasmania—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 6th July, 1897, for a copy of the papers on. C.—No. 2.
Votes at the Federal Convention Election.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 13th

July, 1897, for a return showing the number of persons who recorded their votes at each polling place in this colony at the election for the Federal Convention. C .- No. 3.

Speech delivered by the Honorable I. A. Isaacs, M.P., Acting Premier and Attorney-General, on intro-ducing the Commonwealth of Australia Bill 1897 for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, 20th July, 1897. (To Members only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :--

- 1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at ten o'clock a.m.
- 2. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS: To move, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening, so far as regards Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-To be considered.
- 2. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
 HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
 BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.

- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. FREEZING, COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 12. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 13. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 14. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.

- 15. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 16. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

17. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.

- 18. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 19. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 20. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. MURRAY: To move, That in the opinion of this House additional instructors should be appointed to the Mounted Rifle Force of the colony, as the number at present attached to this force are quite inadequate to efficiently perform the duties required of them.

Questions.

General Business.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST.

- 1. MR. DEAKIN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a commencement can be made in removing and replacing the lines of railway in accordance with the plan for the new Flindersstreet Station.
- 2. MR. MCBRIDE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he intends introducing a clause in his amending Land Bill by which selectors under section 42, Land Act 1890, will be allowed to pay a fee of 6d, per acre for twelve years instead of 1s. per acre for six years as at present.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate. 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. Homes PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 9. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading. 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading. 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading.
- 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:-

- 1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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- 6. MR. LANGDON : To move, That the question of further railway extension into the Mallee country be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 12th August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH AUGUST, 1897.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 18.

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

Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. C. Sargeant. (To Members of Council only.) Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)

Exported Products Bill-Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. A. Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 21. Rutherglen Main Street Bill-[52].

Insolvency Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs. (To Members only.) Eleventh Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the Year 1896, with an Appendix. No. 33.

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SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

MR. SPEAKER WILL TAKE THE CHAIR AT HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 22.

FRIDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 2.
- 3. EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL—Second reading.
 MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
- 9. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 10. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 11. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 12. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 13. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.

14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

15. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

- 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 18. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 19. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST.

Questions.

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- 2. MR. MCBRIDE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he intends introducing a clause in his amending Land Bill by which selectors under section 42, Land Act 1890, will be allowed to pay a fee of 6d, per acre for twelve years instead of 1s. per acre for six years as at present.
- *3. Mr. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will state what amount of public money has been expended in the establishment, maintenance, and control of all Village Settlements and Labour Colonies from their initiation to date.
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Government Business.

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General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST (After half-past eight o'clock

General Business. ORDERS OF THE DAY :

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL Second reading.

2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-TO be further considered in Committee. 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR. -To be considered in Committee
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading
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- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading.
- 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:-

General Business

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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 19. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

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Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-

New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Maloney. (To Members only.)

Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McCay. (To Members only.) Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1897. No. 36.

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No. 23.

TUESDAY, 17th AUGUST, 1897.

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- 5. MR. MCARTHUR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will state approximately the number of children in the colony within the prescribed school age who are not receiving State-school education by reason of there being no State schools within an accessible distance of their residences.
- 6. MR. BAKER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether, in view of the urgent necessity of constructing the three remaining narrow-gauge railways which have been recommended by the Railways Standing Committee, and in view of the necessity of immediately providing work for the men who are out of employment, the Government will take the necessary steps to have the lines dealt with by Parliament before the close of the Session.
- 7. MR. BARRETT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether steps will be taken at an early date by the Board of Land and Works, in conjunction with the Trustees of Yarra Park, to open a road and cab-stand leading to the Melbourne Cricket Ground, for the better convenience of the general public.
- 8. MR. LAZARUS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if it is the intention of the Government to persevere with the Mines Bill this Session.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :---

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- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. Eddington Land Resumption Bill-Second reading. 4. HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.

- 5. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading. 6. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL—Second reading.
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- 14. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
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- 16. ST. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDUENT BILL-Second reading.
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- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
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- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

General Business

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W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

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Exported Products Bill [10]. (To Members of Council only.)

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

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. DEAKIN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a commencement can be made in removing and replacing the lines of railway in accordance with the plan for the new Flindersstreet Station.
- 2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when and how will skilled labourers in the workshops at present receiving 7s. 6d. per day be entitled under schedules 4 and 5 of the new classification scheme to attain the maximum of their class.
- 3. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will instruct Mr. Potts, the scientific dairy expert, when he has finished his present course of dairy lectures in the westward, to visit the north-east for the same purpose.
- 4. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways-
 - 1. Is it the intention of the Railway Department to either construct in the Government workshops or call for open competition for the interlocking machinery required for the probable alterations in Flinders-street Station.
 - 2. Is it a fact that the firm of McKenzie and Holland are at present receiving certain prices for interlocking gear, and that other firms are debarred from tendering.
- 5. MR. JOHN A. ISAACS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines-
 - 1. Is there an unexpended balance of the amount authorized to be expended under Parts III., IV.,
 - and V. of the Mining Development Act No. 1461 for the year 1896-7. 2. If so, is it the intention of the Honorable the Minister to allocate such unexpended balances in addition to the amount available for 1897-8.
- 6. MR. MURRAY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if, on the next occasion that applications are called for additional members for the Police Force of the colony, he will cause examinations of applicants to be held in the various large centres of population.
- 7. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. If, in addition to the notification contained in an extract from The London Gazette, which was laid before this House last week by command of His Excellency the Governor (namely, that with the permission of Her Majesty the Queen, Members of the Legislative Council, after ten years' continuous service, may retain the title of "Honorable"), Members of this Assembly who are Members of the Executive Council and other gentlemen upon whom the title of "Honorable" is conferred have, by Her Most Gracious Majesty's pleasure, been given the right to have that title used and recognised throughout Her dominions.
 - 2. If so, where is the public record of the fact.
 - 3. Has it appeared in the Victoria Government Gazette.
- 8. MR. FINK : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier if any provision will be made on the Estimates for the payment of increases in salaries to the 31 fourth class telegraph operators who have not had their increments since 1890.
- 9. MR. KIRTON : To ask the Honorable the Acting Premier-
 - 1. Is he aware that, notwithstanding the statements made by him in this House on the subject, the Board of Examiners for Auditors persist in refusing to license many persons who have been in
 - practice for many years prior to the passing of the Act. 2. Will the Honorable the Acting Premier bring in a Bill to make clear the intention of Parliament and to secure to bonâ fide accountants who have heretofore practised as auditors to companies the right to continue practising.
- 10 MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the use of gas is allowed to male prisoners and not to the female prisoners during the winter months at Pentridge ; if so, what is the reason for the distinction.

11. MR. CRAVEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways

- 1. If he will take steps to reduce the great length of time that cattle are frequently kept in the trucks on the journey from Tallangatta wå Wallan to Bendigo, namely, about 24 hours, and also on the journey between Tallangatta and Melbourne.
- 2. If he will provide seats, or even tarpaulins, in the vans attached to cattle trains to enable those travelling with stock to lie down, as they frequently are travelling during the whole of the night.
- 12. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what is the maximum period of solitary confinement that can be imposed by a Supreme Court Judge and a Visiting Justice at a gaol respectively.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :-

- 1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednes-day in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.
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THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, that the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

Notices of Motion:

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GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

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New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Longmore. (To Members only.)

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Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Narrow-gauge Railway from Wangaratta to Whitfield; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence. Report No. 1.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Commissioner for Trade and Customs on the working of the Explosives Act during the Year 1896. No. 34.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 25.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

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- 2. MINING LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
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Questions.

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- 4. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the use of gas is allowed to male prisoners and not to the female prisoners during the winter months at Pentridge; if so, what is the reason for

5. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs-

- 1. If he has any objection to state the engineering qualifications of Mr. J. Wilson, acting engineer of the Alfred Graving Dock.
- 2. Does he hold a first or second class marine certificate.
- 3. What is his age. , והני. - ι, 1^π, ε 1 . -

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- 6. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
- 7. MR. MURPHY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will arrange that men living in the vicinity of the Bullarook and Wombat Forest shall obtain portion of the work of thinning and clearing now being carried out there.
- 8. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if persons whose names are on a Parliamentary Ratepayers' Roll for a district can record their votes for a Parliamentary election in such district though the properties said to qualify are outside such district.
- 9. Mr. Zox : To ask the Honotable the Premier (for the Honorable the Acting Postmaster-General) if he will bring under the notice of the Government of Western Australia the urgent necessity of improving the present unsatisfactory cablegram service between that colony and Victoria.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

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- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

- Auction Sales Act 1890 AMENDMENT Bill—Second reading.
 Homes Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee.
 Hackney Carriages Law Amendment Bill—Message from His Excellency the Governor To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

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Speaker.

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

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SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 26.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA DRAFT CONSTITUTION-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. MINING LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 3. MALLEE TANKS ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- EDDINGTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
 HAMILTON LAND RESUMPTION BILL—Second reading.
 BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.

- 7. BAIRNSDALE RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 8. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading.
- 9. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 10. SALE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 11. FREEZING COMPANY'S LAND LEASING BILL-Second reading. 12. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Second reading.

13. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

- 14. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.
- 15. GISBORNE CRICKET RESERVE RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading. 16. SOUTH MELBOURNE LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Second reading.
- 17. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Second reading.
- 18. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 19. SUPPLY-'To be further'considered in Committee.
- 20. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 25th AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. DEAKIN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a commencement can be made in removing and replacing the lines of railway in accordance with the plan for the new Flindersstreet Station.
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General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

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- 3. AUGTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading. 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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W. V. ROBINSON,

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH AUGUST, 1897.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 26. Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1896 .- Part I.-Blue Book. No. 12. Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories. Work-rooms, and Shops for the Year ended 31st December, 1896. No. 35.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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No. 27.

TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1897.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

1. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.

- WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Third reading.

4. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

- 5. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Consideration of Report.

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- 8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT-To be considered.
- 9. St. ARNAUD LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL-Third reading.

10. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

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General Business. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

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W. V. ROBINSON,

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. DEAKIN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when a commencement can be made in removing and replacing the lines of railway in accordance with the plan for the new Flindersstreet Station.
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- 15. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to state-
 - 1. The number of unemployed registered at the Railway Department on 9th August last.
 - 2. The number registered since that date.
 - 3. The number to whom employment has been given since the 9th August.
- 16. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways at what date will the present contract of Messrs. McKenzie and Holland for the supply of interlocking gear expire.

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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :-

1. SIR GEORGE TURNER : To move, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednes-day in each week be suspended for this evening, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.
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- 9. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
 - 1. The date when duties of Customs and Excise were first imposed on sugar in this colony.
 - 2. The total amount collected on sugar up to the time the duties were increased in 1892 or 1893.
 - 3. The total amount collected on sugar since the duties were increased.

10. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-1. The number in the undermentioned positions on the staff of the Government Printing Office on 31st December, 1891, and 30th June, 1897, respectively :--

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading. 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.

- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
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- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.

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- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION-SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading. 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 26rH AUGUSF, 1897.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :---

1. MR. HAMILTON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-

- 1. The date when duties of Customs and Excise were first imposed on sugar in this colony.
- The total amount collected on sugar up to the time the duties were increased in 1892 or 1893.
- 3. The total amount collected on sugar since the duties were increased.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

- 1. SIR GEORGE TURNER: To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock a.m.
- 2. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the expenditure of moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways.
- 3. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a 2-ft. narrow-gauge line of railway should be constructed from Lilydale to Yarra Junction.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. SUPPLY-To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. WAYS AND MEANS-To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. BENDIGO LAND SALE BILL-Third reading.
- 4. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 5. MANDURANG LAND RESUMPTION BILL-Consideration of Report.
- 6. GEELONG TRADES HALL SITE SALE BILL-Third reading. 7. MARINE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
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- 14. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL-Second reading.
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- 1. MR. LONGMORE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether hewill get a report as to the probable cost of clearing the land to be used by the company that has got the right to deal with the Tyrrell Downs.
- 2. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
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- 5. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines-
 - 1. Are the persons employed upon the Geological Staff permanently engaged.
 - 2. When vacancies occur, are applications publicly invited; and, if not, how are appointments made.
- 6. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Right Honorable the Premier-
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TUESDAY, 31sr AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :---

- 1. MR SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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- 9. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing-
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2. The names of all compositors who have been employed as acting readers, and the respective times they have been so employed since 1st July, 1891:--

Names of Acting Readers.		During Years ending 30th June-								
	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895	1896.	1897.				
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3. The number of supernumeraries (compositors, binders, machinists and pressmen, and folders and sewers) employed, and the average time worked by each of them since July, 1891 :-

	Number and Average Time employed during Year ending 30th June-											
Occupations.	18	92.	18	93.	· 18	394.	18	395.	18	96.	18	197.
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'ORDERS OF THE DAY :- .

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL Second reading
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
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- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading. 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 9. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

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Mines Bill-

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SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

MR. SPEAKER WILL TAKE THE CHAIR AT HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

FRIDAY, 27th AUGUST, 1897.

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*1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That the construction of a direct line of railway from Melbourne to Collingwood be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

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- 3. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL-Second reading.
- *4. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
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- MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL-Second reading. 7.
- 8. INSTRUMENTS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.

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10. GEELONG RECREATION RESERVE SALE BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

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- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

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Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of the Settlement on Lands Act 1893, during the

Financial Year ended 30th June, 1897. No. 37. Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Narrow-gauge Railway from Lilydale to Yarra Junction; together with Appendices. Report No. 2.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31

TUESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary funchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
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- 8. MR. MURPHY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will instruct a geological surveyor to make a survey of the Little Bendigo belt of auriferous country, including the Temperance, Dimmocks, Monte Christo, and other lines of reef lying to the east of Ballarat from Little Bendigo to Buninyong.
- 9. MR. GROSE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what railway regrading works are in prospect, and when the Department expects to commence the work of regrading the Creswick to
 Daylesford line.
- 10. MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if, considering the arduous and often dangerous duties of the members of the Police Force, he will place them on the same footing as the Civil Servants in regard to leave of absence and grant them 21 days' leave in each year, commencing from 1st January, 1898.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :---

1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That the construction of a 2-ft. narrow-gauge railway from Colac to Beech Forest be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

General Business.

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Printers' Readers—Grade 1 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bookbinders-Grade 1 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "		

2. The names of all compositors who have been employed as acting readers, and the respective times they have been so employed since 1st July, 1891 :---

	During Years ending 30th June-									
Names of Acting Readers.	1892.	1893	1894.	1895,	1896.	1897.				
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3. The number of supernumeraries (compositors, binders, machinists and pressmen, and folders and sewers) employed, and the average time worked by each of them since July, 1891:----

- ,			Numl	er and	Averag	e Time	employ	ed duri	ng Year	ending	; 30th J	une-	
Occupations.	,	18	92.	18	93.	18	94.	18	95.	18	96.		97.
		No.,	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time	No	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.
Binders Machinists and Pressm	 en 					•						}	1

4. The number of readers and compositors (including clickers) on the staff on 31st January, 1885.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading. 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee. 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOB To be considered in Committee.
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- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
- 9. MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading. 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL—Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL—Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (No. 2)-Second reading. 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading
- 16. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE, JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading. 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 31st August.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock. PRINTING—at a quarter to four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 27th AUGUST, 1897.

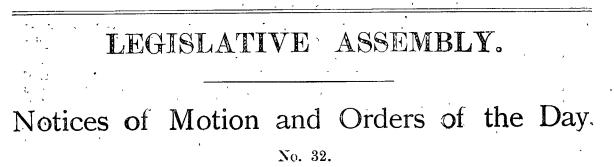
Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 27. Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28. Insolvency Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.) Mildura Trust Loan Amendment Bill—[19]. (To Members of Council only.) Geelong Recreation Site Sale Bill—[24]. (To Members of Council only.) Geelong Trades Hall Site Sale Bill—[25]. (To Members of Council only.) St. Arnaud Land Bill-[39]. (To Members of Council only.) Bendigo Land Sale Bill-[43]. (To Members of Council only.) Mandurang Lands Bill-[44]. (To Members of Council only.) Bendigo Land Sale Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only.) Mandurang Lands Bill—[44]. (To Members of Council only.) Factories and Shops Bill—[55]. (To Members of Council only.) Mining Companies Bill—[61]. (To Members of Council only.) Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[62]. (To Members of Council only.) Companies Act 1896 (Removal of Doubts) Bill—[65]. (To Members of Council only.) Instruments Bill—[66]. (To Members of Council only.) Railway Loan Application Bill-[67]. (To Members of Council only.) Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill-[68]. (To Members of Council only.) Lilydale and Yarra Junction Railway Construction Bill-[73]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31. The Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia Bill-[5]. (To Members only.)

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SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

. MR. SPEAKER WILL TAKE THE CHAIR AT TWELVE O'CLOCK.



WEDNESDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER; 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
- *2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To ask the Right Honorable the Premier, seeing that the Public Service Act 1890 requires only, with reference to long service increments, a recommendation from the perma-nent head of the Department and the certificate of the Public Service Board, whether these increments will not now be paid to the officers legally entitled to them under provisions made in the Second Schedule of the Public Service Act 1890.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :-

*1. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL-To be further considered.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading. 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.

- Auction Sales Act 1890 AMENDMENT Bill—Second reading.
 Homes Protection Bill—To be further considered in Committee.
 Hackney Carriages Law AMENDMENT Bill—Message from His Excellency the Governor To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading Resumption of debate.
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- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
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- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGARE'E JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading. 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
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Printers' Reader "" Compositors—F "" Machinemen—f	", 2 ", 3 ", 4 "oremen Grade 1 ", 2 ", 3			"Bookfolders and Sev	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		

2. The names of all compositors who have been employed as acting readers, and the respective times they have been so employed since 1st July, 1891 :---

During Years ending 30th June-					
1892. 1893	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	

3. The number of supernumeraries (compositors, binders, machinists and pressmen, and folders and sewers) employed, and the average time worked by each of them since July, 1891 :---

		Number and Average Time employed during Year ending 30th June-											
Occupations.	18	1892.		1892. 1893.		18	1894. 1895.		395.	1896.		1897.	
	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	
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4. The number of readers and compositors (including clickers) on the staff on 31st January, 1885.

W. V. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. GRAHAM BERRY, Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 31st AUGUST, 1897.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 33.

TUESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
- 2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To ask the Right Honorable the Premier, seeing that the Public Service Act 1890 requires only, with reference to long service increments, a recommendation from the permanent head of the Department and the certificate of the Public Service Board, whether these increments will not now be paid to the officers legally entitled to them under provisions made in the Second Schedule of the Public Service Act 1890.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :---

1. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLA-TIVE COUNCIL—To be further considered.

General Business.

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Printers' Readers—Grade 1 ,, , , 2 ,, , , 3 ,, , 4 Compositors—Foremen ,, Grade 1 ,, , 2 ,, 3 			BookbindersGr " Bookfolders'and " "	"2… "3'…	1) , ,
Machinemen — Grade 1 , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			~		1	

2. The names of all compositors who have been employed as acting readers, and the respective times they have been so employed since 1st July, 1891 :-

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Names of Acting Readers.	•	, 1892.	1893	1894.	1895	1896.	1897.
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4. The number of readers and compositors (including clickers) on the staff on 31st January, 1885.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :--

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading. 4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered, in Committee.
- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.
- 9. 'MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL-Second reading.
- 10. MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL-Second reading.
- 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL-Second reading
- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION'S VOTING BILL-Second reading.
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- 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading 16. MORTGAGED PROPERTY BILL-Second reading.
- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.

18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.

- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading.
- 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.
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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY. Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 8th September.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 1st SEPTEMBER, 1897.

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

By Authority: ROBT. S. BRAIN, Government Printer, Melbourne.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 21st SEPTEMBER, 1897.

Questions.

- 1. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
- 2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To ask the Right Honorable the Premier, seeing that the Public Service Act 1890 requires only, with reference to long service increments, a recommendation from the permanent head of the Department and the certificate of the Public Service Board, whether these increments will not now be paid to the officers legally entitled to them under provisions made in the Second Schedule of the Public Service Act 1890.
- 3. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will give all candidates for Parliament a free pass for the district each candidate wishes to contest.
- 4. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he has any objection to state---
 - 1. The number of reports received from each Inspector of Municipal Accounts for year ending 30th June, 1897.
 - 2. The time occupied on each report and the expense incurred in connexion therewith.
 - 3. The total cost of each Inspector since appointment, including salary, railway fare, and
 - other expenses to 30th June.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :----

1. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL-AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLA-TIVE COUNCIL-To be further considered.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:---

- 1. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895 and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
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2. The names of all compositors who have been employed as acting readers, and the respective times they have been so employed since 1st July, 1891 :-

	During Years ending 30th June-									
1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.					
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3. The number of supernumeraries (compositors, binders, machinists and pressmen, and folders and sewers) employed, and the average time worked by each of them since July, 1891 :-

	Number and Average Time employed during Year ending 30th June-											
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	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.	No.	Time.
Compositors Binders Machinists and Pressmen Folders and Sewers											-	

4. The number of readers and compositors (including clickers) on the staff on 31st January, 1885.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
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F. C. MASON, Deputy-Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1st SEPTEMBER, 1897.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 32. Australian Commonwealth Constitution Bill-[5]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 30, 31, 32, and 33.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 7. Municipal Rates and Endowment.—Return to Order of the House. C.—No. 5. Railway Expenditure out of Loan Funds.—Return to Order of the House. C.—No. 6.

Report from the Committee of Public Accounts. D .--- No. 3.

Report from Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed direct Railway from Melbourne to Collingwood.—Report No. 3. Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of Secretary and Inspector for

Bepartment for Registred Unifdren and Reformatory Schools.—Report of Secretary and Inspector for year 1896. No. 28.
 Report of the Council of Defence. No. 38.
 Statement of Receipts and Expenditure to 30th June, 1897, under Treasury Bonds Act 1896, No. 1451. No. 42.

Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1896-7. No. 44.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

THURSDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1897.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :---

- 1. YARRA PARK ROADS BILL-Second reading.
- 2. LILYDALE TO YARRA JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLA-TIVE COUNCIL—To be further considered.

General Business.

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3. The number of supernumeraries (compositors, binders, machinists and pressmen, and folders and sewers) employed, and the average time worked by each of them since July, 1891 :-

Occupations.	Number and Average Time employed during Year ending 30th June-											
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Compositors Binders Machinists and Pressmen Folders and Sewers												

4. The number of readers and compositors (including clickers) on the staff on 31st January, 1885.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :-

- 1. REFERENDUM BILL-Second reading.
- 2. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL-Second reading-Resumption of debate.
- 3. AUCTION SALES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 4. Homes PROTECTION BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 5. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR -To be considered in Committee.
- 6. HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading.
- 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL-To be further considered in Committee.
- 8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL-Second reading -Resumption of debate.

- MUNICIPAL ELECTORS BILL—Second reading.
 MORTGAGES ON REAL ESTATE BILL—Second reading.
 TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- 12. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS VOTING BILL-Second reading.
- 13. ALIENS BILL-Second reading.
- 14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (GEELONG) BILL (NO. 2)—Second reading.
 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 16. MORTGAGED PROPERTY 'BILL—Second reading.
- 17. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BUNGAREE JUNCTION TO RACE-COURSE RESERVE) BILL-Second reading.
- 18. AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION SUBMISSION BILL-Second reading.
- 19. RUTHERGLEN MAIN STREET BILL-Second reading.
- 20. TOTALIZATOR BILL-Second reading.
- 21. ABSENT VOTERS BILL-Second reading.
- 22. ALFRED GODDARD-Resumption of debate on the question-That, in the opinion of this House, and upon the Report of the Committee appointed by this Chamber, Alfred Goddard, sorter, should be reinstated to his position in the Postal Department.

Questions.

TUESDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER.

- 1. MR. MALONEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the shortest time of residence necessary to qualify for the Parliamentary franchise on the Ratepaying Roll of the City of Melbourne.
- 2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To ask the Right Honorable the Premier, seeing that the Public Service Act 1890 requires only, with reference to long service increments, a recommendation from the permanent head of the Department and the certificate of the Public Service Board, whether these increments will not now be paid to the officers legally entitled to them under provisions made in the Second Schedule of the *Public Service Act* 1890.
- 3. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will give all candidates for Parliament a free pass for the district each candidate wishes to contest.
- 4. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he has any objection to state-
 - 1. The number of reports received from each Inspector of Municipal Accounts for year ending 30th June, 1897.
 - 2. The time occupied on each report and the expense incurred in connexion therewith.
 - 3. The total cost of each Inspector since appointment, including salary, railway fare, and other expenses to 30th June.
- 5. MR. MCBRIDE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House of the result of his conference with the Right Honorable the Premier-in reference to the extension of the distance for which miners' tickets are issued.

6. Mr. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey

- 1. Is it a fact that 700 applications have been made for the 120 allotments of Mallee land lately resumed by the Government from Messrs. Kersall and Adams.
- If so, has he ascertained whether the applicants for this land are of an eligible character to settle in the Mallee country; and, if so, what action, if any, does he intend taking to secure the settlement of the balance of these people on the lands of the colony.
 Does he not consider, in the interest of the people, a more bond fide settlement of the Mallee individed the above system they be continued to private individed the applicants.
- country will take place under the above system than by granting permission to private individuals to subdivide and dispose of Crown lands as now allowed.
- 7. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Right Honorable the Premier will the Government pay the long-service increments to the officers in the service who have been recommended to receive them, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Service Act, by the heads of the Department and the Public Service Board.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

F. C. MASON, Deputy-Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 23rd September.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS-at eleven o'clock.

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. No. 34.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 35. Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1897, to 30th June, 1897. No. 46.

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