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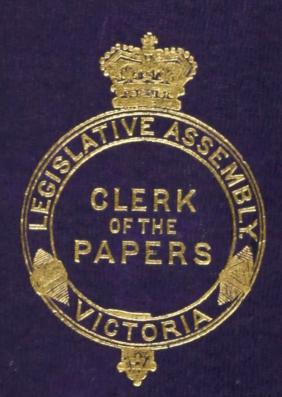
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Administration and Probate Duties.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain duties payable under the Bill; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 21 Dec., 1929, p. 30.

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time, on division; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 30; amendment in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee; motion, That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Council with modifications in sub-clause (1) of the said amendment—debate adjourned, 24 Dec., p. 37; debate resumed—suggested amendment with modifications made and Bill returned to the Council, 24 Dec., p. 38; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendment suggested by the Council as modified and made by the Assembly) notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3849.)

APPRENTICESHIP: Bill intituled "An Act to amend Sub-section (2) of Section Twenty-six of the Apprenticeship Act 1928'"—(Mr. Webber).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1929, p. 22; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 20 Dec., p. 26. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3829.)

APPROPRIATION: Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this and the last preceding session of Parliament—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 24 Dec., 1929, p. 37; motion made, That this Bill be now read a second time; amendment proposed, That all the words after "That" be omitted with a view of inserting "this House declines to read the Bill a second time until an assurance is given that the Government will arrange for Parliament to meet during the early part of February for the purpose of dealing with—(a) the home-maintenance areas for soldier settlers; (b) Marketing Bill; (c) Public Service Bill; (d) Rural Bank Bill; (e) other necessary legislation which the House has been unable to deal with during the present Session of Parliament"; after debate—amendment, by leave, withdrawn; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 24 Dec., p. 40; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. Assented to 7 January, 1930. Act No. 3853.)

CLOSER SETTLEMENT (BORROWING POWERS): Bill to amend section 19 and section 197 of the Closer Settlement Act 1928—(Mr. Bailey).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 6) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; re-

solution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 14; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 20 Dec., p. 23.

Closer Settlement (Financial): Bill to amend sections 19, 197, and 203 of the Closer Settlement Act 1928—(Mr. Bailey).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 11) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1929, p. 18; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 20; amendment in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee; suggested amendment with a consequential amendment in the title, viz., after "Nineteen" insert "and"; and after "ninety-sever." omit "and Two hundred and three," made and Bill returned to the Council, 21 Dec., p. 31; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendment made by the Assembly which was suggested by the Council and the consequential amendment made by the Assembly) notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3843.)

COAL MINES REGULATION: Bill to provide for the payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of £50,000 out of the net surplus profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 14) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 21; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3838.)

Consolidated Revenue (Bill No. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,511,324 to the service of the year 1929-30—(Mr. Hoyan).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Dec., 1929, p. 11; the Council's agreement notified 17 Dec., p. 16. (Assented to 18 December, 1929. Act No. 3821.)

Country Roads: Bill relating to payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the financial year beginning on the 1st day of July, 1929, in respect of certain loans—(Mr. Hogan)—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 17) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 22; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 30; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3844.)

Cultivation Advances: Bill to enable advances to be made to cultivators of land and for other purposes—
(Mr. Bailey).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 7) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee: resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 18 Dec., p. 17; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 18; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments considered and agreed to, 20 Dec., p. 23. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3827.)

Developmental Railways: Bill to provide for the transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of £100,000 out of The Developmental Railways Account—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 13) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 21; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3836.)

DRIED FRUITS: Bill to amend section 17 of the Dried Fruits Act 1928 and to continue in force the Dried Fruits Acts—(Mr. Slater).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3841.)

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for works and undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 17 Dec., p. 15; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 23; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 30. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3831.)

ENTERTAINMENTS Tax: Bill to provide for the imposition of a tax upon payments for admission to entertainments— $(Mr. \ Tunnecliffe)$.

ENTERTAINMENTS TAX.—(On motion, by leave)
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the taxes upon payments for admission to entertainments; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the taxes reported and agreed to and Bill ordered thereupon, 21 Dec., 1929, pp. 30-31. Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to; Bill considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired,

21 Dec., p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 37. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3846.)

INCOME TAX: Bill to declare the rates of income tax for the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930, and to continue the Income Tax Acts—(Mr. Hogan). -Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dcc., 1929, p. 25; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, 21 Dec., p. 30; on division suggested amendments not made and Bill returned to Council, 23 Dec., p. 35; amendments in the Bill again suggested by the Council on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time; Free Conference desired with the Council on the subject-matter of the amendments suggested by the Council and seven members appointed to be managers of the Conference, 24 Dec., p. 37; Message from the Council that they had appointed seven members to confer with a like number of members of the Assembly, and naming the place and fixing the time of meeting of the Conference, whereupon the managers for the Assembly proceeded to the place of meeting, and Mr. Speaker left the Chair; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and it was announced that the Conference had met and made certain recommendations, 24 Dec., pp. 37-8; suggested amendments made with modifications, on division, and Bill again returned to the Council, 24 Dec., pp. 39-40; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendments suggested by the Council as modified and made by the Assembly) notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3850.) (Assented to

JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY): Bill to amend Division 12 of Part VIII. of the Supreme Court Act 1928—(Mr. Macfarlan).—Initiated and read a first time, 11 Dec., 1929, p. 7.—Bill lapsed.

Korumburra Land Exchange: Bill to provide for the exchange of certain Crown land in the township of Korumburra temporarily reserved as a site for a public park for certain other land in the parish of Korumburra and for other purposes—(Mr. Bailey).

—Initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1929, p. 24; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment: concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3840.)

Land Tax: Bill to declare the rate of land tax for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1930—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., 1929, p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act. No. 3842.)

LICENSING (CONDUCT OF POLL): Bill to amend section 304 of the Licensing Act 1928—(Mr. Tunnecliffe).—
Initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 20; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 30. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3832.)

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works:

Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Area of the Metropolis under the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1928."—(Mr. Webber).—

Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1929, p. 17; read a second time and

passed remaining stages without amendment, 20 Dec., p. 27. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3833.)

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD:
Bill relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan
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read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second
time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired,
17 Dec., p. 15; the Council's agreement notified, 18
Dec., p. 18. (Assented to 24 December, 1929. Act
No. 3824.)

Melbourne Harbor Trust: Bill relating to the borrowing powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., 1929, p. 30; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 37. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3847.)

METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION: Bill to amend and to extend the operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts—(Mr. Webber).
—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 10) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1929, p. 17; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3834.)

MOTOR OMNIBUS: Bill to amend section 21 of the Motor Omnibus Act 1928—(Mr. Hogan).

LICENCE-FEES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain licence-fees payable in respect of country motor omnibuses; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the fees reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 20 Dec., 1929, p. 27.

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired 20-21 Dec., p. 27.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

Motor Omnibus (Bill No. 2): Bill relating to motor omnibuses—(Mr. Webber).

LICENCE-FEES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider licence-fees payable in respect of certain country motor omnibuses; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the fees reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 24 Dec., 1929, pp. 38-9.

Lill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 24 Dec., p. 39; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3851.)

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT: Bill relating to municipal endowment—(Mr. Webber).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the

Legislative Council desired, 17 Dec., p. 15; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 16 (Assented to 18 December, 1929. Act No. 3823.)

PHILLIP ISLAND SHIRE: Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Phillip Island Shire Act 1928"—(Mr. Webber).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 16; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 20 Dec., p. 27. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3830.)

Public Account Advances: Bill to authorize the temporary application out of The Public Account of certain moneys to provide for the payment of interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 15) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 21; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative ('ouncil desired, 20 Dec., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3837.)

RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and for other purposes—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 23; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3835.)

Sessional Acts Revision: Bill to adapt certain references in Acts passed during the 3rd session of the 29th Parliament to the provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the 2nd session of the said Parliament and to revise the language of certain Acts and for other purposes—(Mr. Slater).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 8) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, pp. 14-15; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Dec., p. 15; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 16 (Assented to 18 December, 1929. Act No. 3822.)

STAMPS: Bill to amend the law relating to stamps and stamp duties—(Mr. Slater).

STAMP DUTIES.—(On motion, by leave)) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 21 Dec., 1929, pp. 28-9.

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 29.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

STAMPS (BILL No. 2): Bill to amend the law relating to stamps and stamp duties—(Mr. Slater).

STAMP DUTIES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 24 Dec., 1929, pp. 40-41. Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3852.)

STAMPS (BETTING Tax): Bill for imposing certain stamp duties on bookmakers' licences or permits and on betting tickets and for other purposes—(Mr. Tunne-cliffe).

STAMP DUTIES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties on bookmakers' licences or permits and on betting tickets; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 23 Dec., 1929, p. 33.

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time and an amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., p. 33; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 37. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3848.)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION: Bill to provide for the construction of tramways and the management and operation of tramway undertakings by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria in certain areas and to authorize the Commission to borrow moneys on overdraft for a certain purpose and to amend the State Electricity Commission Act 1928—(Mr. Cain).—Initiated and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., 1929, p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3845.)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARYT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE): Bill relating to the purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company of Victoria Limited and for other purposes—(Mr. Hoyan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 4) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 14; read a second time

and committed; considered in Committee, 18 Dec., p. 18; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Dec., p. 20. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3826.)

Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund): Bill to provide for the transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of £50,000 out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Act 1928—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 16) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 22; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3839.)

VICTORIAN LOAN: Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and for the purposes of works and undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 5) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 14; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 17; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Dec., p. 20. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3825.)

Victorian Loan (Public Works): Bill to authorize the raising of money for public works and other purposes and to sanction the issue and application of such money—(Mr. Hoyan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 3) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 14; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 20; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Dec., p. 22. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3828.)

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MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Under Section 136 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, No. 3660, the Legislative Assembly consists of Sixty-five Members.

THIRTIETH PARLIAMENT.

FIRST SESSION (11TH TO 24TH DECEMBER, 1929).

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Angus, The Honorable Henry 1	Gunbower	11,051	10,240	6,627	3,040	91.62	93.96	92.66
Argyle, The Honorable Sir Stanley	Toorak	22,001	20,241	12,662		94.36	90.52	92.00
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Bailey, The Honorable Henry Stephen 3 Beardmore, The Honorable Henry 4	Warrnambool Benambra	10,446 8,453	9,967	6,146		96.11	94.69	95.41
Bennett, Matthew, Esquire	Gippsland West	10,591	9,935	3,688	6,080	93.92	93.67	Unopposed 93.81
Blackburn, Maurice McCrae, Esquire	Clifton Hill	23,189		0,000	0,000	, 90 92	93 07	Unopposed
Bond, Ernest Edward, Esquire	Port Fairy and	11,000	10,576	6,439		97.26	94.97	96.12
D . 1: (1. 100 at 11. ac	Glenelg	77.00	! !	•				
Bourchier, Colonel The Honorable Murray William James, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.	Goulburn Valley	11,367			• •			Unopposed
Brownbill, William, Esquire 5	Geelong	17,775	16,984	10,667		95.91	95.24	95.55
Cain, The Honorable John 6	Northcote	22,346						Unopposed
Cleary, Edward Francis, Esquire		10,091	9,537	5,327		93.82	95.27	94.51
Cook, Arthur Ernest, Esquire	5 0. 1 0 1	15,921	• • •					Unopposed
Corle Fraget Augustine Fraguing 7	Richmond	23,375	0.000		1 . : : .			Unopposed
Coyle, Ernest Augustine, Esquire Cremean, Herbert Michael, Esquire	Waranga Dandenong	$9,229 \\ 24,661$	$8,690 \\ 22,942$	4,176 12,085	4,444	95.66	92.43	94.16
Diffey, Lot Victor, Esquire	Wangaratta and	9,513	9,051	2,821	4,869	92:81 97:97	92.30	93·03 95·14
	Ovens	0,020	0,001	•	1,000	,	"" ""	00 14
Downward, Herbert, Esquire	Mornington	11,572	10,600	2,933	5,364	90.52	92.84	91.60
Drakeford, Arthur Samuel, Esquire		22,310	21,448	12,119		96.90	95.49	96.14
Dunstan, Albert Arthur, Esquire	Korong and Eagle- hawk	10,820	10,056	5,673	• •	95.28	90.56	92.32
Everard, William Hugh, Esquire 8	Evelyn	9,997	9,294	5,622		93.66	92.26	92.97
Forrest, LieutCol. Frederick Edward		24,591	23,124	11,710		94.40	93.75	94:03
Frost, George Clement, Esquire •	Maryborough and	10,614						Unopposed
Glowrey, Harold, Esquire	Daylesford	11.000						
Glowrey, Harold, Esquire	Ouyen	$11,068 \\ 26,168$	24,495	19 089	• • •	01.10	09.33	Unopposed
Hayes, Thomas, Esquire		21,565	24,490	13,253	••	94.12	93.22	93.61 Unopposed
Hjorth, Ralph Theodore, Esquire	Grant	9,700	8,977	4,457	• •	92.47	92.64	92.55
Hogan, The Honorable Edmond John 10	Warrenheip and	9,733	9,421	5,609	;	97.71	95.89	96.79
Holland, John Joseph, Esquire	Grenville Flemington	01 501			i			,
Hyland, Herbert John Thornhill, Esquire	Gippsland South	$21,561 \\ 10,330$	9,791	4 175	5,000	09.45	00.10	Unopposed
Jackson, Arthur Richard, Esquire	Prahran	24,291	22,345	4,175 12,516	5,999	93·65 88·18	96·18 94·92	94·78 91·99
Jewell, James Roberts, Esquire	Brunswick	24,092			:: ;			Unopposed
Keane, Frank, Esquire	Coburg	23,308	• • •	- ::			• • •	Unopposed
Kent Hughes, Wilfred Selwyn, Esquire	Kew	23,742	22,143	13,551		93 15	93.35	93.27
Knox, Lieut. Col. The Honorable George Hodges, C.M.G., V.D. 11	Upper Yarra	12,281	••	• ••	••	• •	••	Un op posed
Lemmon, The Honorable John 12	Williamstown	21,549						Unopposed
Lind, Albert Eli, Esquire	Gippsland East	7,126	6,693	5,148		93.38	94.64	93.92
Linton, The Honorable Richard 13	Boroondara	24,813	23,237	13,881		95.68	92.12	93.65
Macfarlan, The Honorable Ian 14 Mackrell, The Honorable Edwin Joseph	Brighton	24,523	23,163	10,460	11,342	95.73	93.45	$94 \cdot 45$
36 3.3 (71)	Upper Goulburn Barwon	9,492	8,949	4,555	••	96.55	91.50	94.28
Maifby, Thomas Karran, Esquire Manifold, Thomas Chester, Esquire	Hampden	11,580 10,699	$11,145 \\ 10,212$	6,821 5,336	• •	97.06	95.52	96.24
McAdam, William James, Esquire	D 11 *	17,068	16,537	8,992		96·48 98·91	94·35 95·37	95•45 96•89
McDonald, The Honorable James	Polwarth	11,217	10,666	5,843	::	94.55	95.72	95.09
McKenzie, William George, Esquire	Wonthaggi	9,902	'		::		95 72	Unopposed
McLachlan, James Weir, Esquire McPherson, The Honorable Sir William	Gippsland North Hawthorn	10,173 22,334	20,759	10,978				Unopposed

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—continued.

				Votes rec Sittin	orded for each g Member.	Pe	rcentage o who Vo	
Member.	District.	No. of Electors on Rolls.	No. of Electors who Voted.	First Preference Votes.	Final Result after Distribution of Votes under The Constitu- tion Act Amendment Act 1928.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Menzies, The Honorable Robert Gordon, K.C.	Nunawading	21,032	19,876	10,932	• •	96-20	93.13	94.50
Moncur, William Anderson, Esquire	Walhalla	10,213	9,515	4,208	5,024	$93 \cdot 20$	93.12	93.17
Murphy, James Laurence, Esquire 16	Port Melbourne	21,292	19,247	16,648		$85 \cdot 68$	95.51	90•40
Old, The Honorable Francis Edward 17	Swan Hill	9,220	8,367	4,706		$91 \cdot 47$	89 • 82	90•75
Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander James, K.C.M.G. ¹⁸	Allandale	9,687	••	• • •	••	••	••	Unopposed
Pennington, The Honorable John War- burton, C.B.E. 19	Kara Kara and Borung	10,915	9,996	5,915	••	92.77	90.35	91.58
Pollard, The Honorable Reginald Thomas 20	Bulla and Dal- housie	9,959	9,151	4,911		92.65	91.05	91.89
Prendergast, The Honorable George	Footscray	23,970			••	• •	••	${\bf Unoprosed}$
Reid, Squire Horace, Esquire	Oakleigh	27,452	25,778	14,580		$97 \cdot 48$	90.90	93.90
Satchell, Jesse Edward, Esquire	Castlemaine and Kyneton	10,291	9,874	4,926		95.91	95.99	95.95
Slater, The Honorable William 21	Dundas	10,828	10,346	5,922		$97 \cdot 20$	93.86	95.55
Solly, Robert Henry, Esquire	Carlton	20,405						Unopposed
Toutcher, The Honorable Richard Frederick	Stawell and Ararat	11,071	10,505	5,415		96.09	93.64	94.89
Tunnecliffe, The Honorable Thomas 22	Collingwood	22,154						Unopposed
Wallace, Arthur Knight, Esquire	Albert Park	22,824	20,901	10,994		$91 \cdot 14$	91.91	91.59
Webber, The Honorable Gordon Charles 23	Heidelberg	25,525	23,691	15,391		$95 \cdot 63$	90.39	92.81
Wettenhall, The Honorable Marcus Edwy	Lowan	11,262	10,716	4,922	6,168	$94 \cdot 17$	$96 \cdot 22$	95.15

NOTES.

The particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1929; the date of each Member's election, when noted as "unopposed," being 12 November, 1929, the "day of nomination," and in other cases 30 November, 1929, the "day of polling."

- The Hon. H. Angus, President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Water Supply (without salary) from 22 November, 1928, to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. Sir S. S. Argyle, Chief Secretary, and Minister of Public Health (without salary) from 22 November, 1928, to 12 December, 1929.

- The Hon. Sir S. S. Argyle, Chief Secretary, and Minister of Public Health (without salary) from 22 November, 1928, to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. H. S. Bailey, President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Water Supply (without salary) from 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. H. Beardmore, a member of the Government without office from 18 June, 1929, to 10 December, 1929; Minister of Railways, Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings (without salary), Minister of Labour (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 10 to 12 December, 1929.
 Mr. W. Brownbill, Chairman of Committees from 17 December, 1929.
 The Hon. J. Cain, Minister of Railways, Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 12 December, 1929.

- Mr. W. Brownbill, Chairman of Committees from 17 December, 1929.
 The Hon. J. Cain, Minister of Railways, Minister in Charge of Electrical Undertakings (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 12 December, 1929.
 Mr. E. J. Cotter, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 8 July, 1924.
 Mr. G. C. Frost, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 12 July, 1927.
 The Hon. E. J. Hogan, Premier, Treasurer, and Minister of Markets (without salary) from 12 December, 1929.
 Lieut.-Col. the Hon. G. H. Knox, appointed a Member of the Executive Council, 10 December, 1929; also a member of the Government without office from 10 to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. J. Lemmon, Minister of Public Instruction, and Minister of Labour (without salary) from 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. R. Linton, appointed a Member of the Executive Council, 10 December, 1929; also a member of the Government without office from 10 to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. I. Macfarlan, Attorney-General and Solicitor-General (without salary) from 22 November, 1928, to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. Sir W. M. McPherson, Premier and Treasurer from 22 November, 1928, to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. F. E. Old, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 12 July, 1927.
 The Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, Speaker from 4 July, 1928.
 The Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, Speaker from 4 July, 1928.
 The Hon. B. T. Pollard, appointed a Member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office from 12 December, 1929, to 12 December, 1929.
 The Hon. R. T. Pollard, appointed a Member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office from 12 December, 1929.
- 12 December, 1929.
 21 The Hon. W. Slater, Minister of Agriculture, Attorney-General (without salary), and Solicitor-General (without salary) from
- 12 December, 1929.

 22 The Hon. T. Tunnecliffe, Chief Secretary from 12 December, 1929.

 23 The Hon. G. C. Webber, appointed a member of the Government without office, 12 December, 1929.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Honorable SIR ALEXANDER JAMES PEACOCK, The Speaker K.C.M.G. The Chairman of Committees WILLIAM BROWNBILL, Esquire. Clerk of the Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative WILLIAM ROBERT ALEXANDER, Esquire, J.P. GEORGE REYNOLDS WEBB, Esquire. Assembly The Clerk-Assistant ... FREDERICK EDWARD WANKE, Esquire. Clerk of Committees and Serjeant-at-Arms

APPENDIX No. 1.

STATISTICS RELATING TO THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, $$30{\rm Th}$$ NOVEMBER, 1929.

		30тн	First Preference	IBER, 192	9. Number	Number	Section		Percen	tage of Ele	ctors
Electoral Districts.	Electors Enrolled.	('anditates' Names.	Votes Polled for each Candidate.	of Electors who Voted.	of Informal Ballot- papers.	Electors who Voted by Post.	241 Voters* (Act No. 3660).	Absent Votes.∥	Males.	Females.	Total.
Albert Park	22,824	Cuthbertson, Robert Melville Wallace, Arthur Knight	9704 10,994	} 20,901	203	345	51	602	91 · 14	91.91	91.59
Allandale	9,687	Peacock, Sir Alexander James	Un- opposed				!	i '			
Ballaarat	17,068	SEdmunds, Frederick Lewis	7,397 8,992	} 16,537	148	774	24	617	98.91	95.37	96.89
Barwon	11,580	McAdam, William James	4,246	11,145	78	237	8	470	97 · 06	95.52	96 · 24
Benalla	10,091	Maltby, Thomas Karran Cleary, Edward Francis	6,821 5,327	$\begin{vmatrix} \\ \\ \end{vmatrix}$ 9,537	87	165	45	544	$93 \cdot 82$	95.27	94.51
Benambra	8,453	Connell, Patrick	4,123 Un-)							
Bendigo	15,921	Cook, Arthur Ernest	opposed Un-								
Boroondara	24,813	\{ Dodman, Robert \\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	opposed 9,152 13,881 3,668	23,237	204	281	35	961	95.68	92.12	93.65
Brighton	24,523	Josephine Grant, Jeremiah Andrew Macfarlan, Ian‡ Tracey, Richard Eustace	3,359 10,460 5,141	$\left \begin{array}{c} 23,163 \end{array} \right $	535	339	15	1,008	95.73	93 · 45	94 · 45
Brunswick	24,092	Jewell, James Roberts	Un- opposed								
Bulla and Dal- housie Carlton	9,959 20,405	Anderson, Claude Alexander Lobb, Francis Edgar Pollard, Reginald Thomas Solly, Robert Henry	1,876 2,253 4,911 Un-	9,151	111	141	15	640	92 · 65	91 .05	91 ·89
Castlemaine and		\(\) Langslow, Walter Lovell \(\).	opposed 4,897	7 9,874	51	453	8	545	95.91	95.99	95 - 95
Kyneton	10,291	Satchell, Jesse Edward Forrest, Frederick Edward	4,926 11,710	23,124	266	332	12	980	94 · 40	93.75	94 · 03
	24,591	Mendelsohn, Oscar Blackburn, Maurice McCrae	11,148 Un-	5 2.3,124	200	992	<u>ت. 1</u>	700	J4 40	00 10	94 UĐ
	23,189	·	opposed Un-								
Coburg	23,308	Keane, Frank	opposed								
Collingwood	22,154	Tunnecliffe, Thomas	Un- opposed	2 02 040	104	254	-34	1.204	00.01	00.00	00.00
Dandenong	24,661	Cremean, Herbert Michael	12,085	22,942	194	250	24	1,234	93 ·81	92.30	93.03
Dundas	10,828	Ellis, William Norton Chute Slater, William	4,340 5,922	\ \ 10,346	84	195	7	671	97 ·20	93.86	95 : 55
Essendon	22,310	Clerke, Arthur Henry Drakeford, Arthur Samuel Fenton, Arthur Fitzgerald, Gerald Thomast	5,506 $12,119$ $2,680$ 775	21,448	368	373	17	707	96.90	95 · 49	96 · 14
Evelyn	9,997	Everard, William Hugh	5,622 3,607	} P,294	65	139	15	601	93.66	92 · 26	92.97
Flemington	21,561	Holland, John Joseph	Un- opposed								
Footscray	23,970	Prendergast, George Michael	Un- opposed								
Geelong	17,775	Srownbill, William Dickins, Sidney Edmund	10,667 6,159	$\left.\begin{array}{c} 16,984 \end{array}\right $	158	447	26	683	95.91	95 · 24	95 . 55
Gippsland East	7,126	Coate, Joseph Robert Lind, Albert Eli	$1,502 \\ 5,148$		43	92	6	315	93.38	94.64	93 ·92
Gippsland North	10,173	McLachlan, James Weir	Un- opposed								
Gippsland South	10,330	Hyland, Herbert John Thornhill‡ Mulcahy, Morris Matthew West, Walter	2,610 2,900	$\left.\right\}^{9,791}$	106	119	4	563	93 ·65	96 · 18	94 · 78
Gippsland West	10,591	Bennett, Matthew‡ Garlick, Robert Costain	3,688 3,447	$\left.\begin{array}{c} \\ 9,935 \end{array}\right $	206	i51	$_2$	596	93 · 92	93 · 67	93 · 81
Goulburn Valley	11,367	James, Reginald Alfred John Bourchier, Murray William	2,698 Un-	J "	- "	-	-				
Grant	9,700	James (Finch, Edwy Gordon) Hjorth, Ralph Theodore (Holden, Frederick Charles	opposed 1,816 4,457	} 8,977	80	110	16	556	92+47	92.64	92 · 55
Gunbower	11,051	Thomas	2,624 6,627	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} 10,240 \end{array}\right.$	58	105	16	725	91.62	93.96	92.66
Hampden	10,699	\{\begin{aligned} McNicol, Edward David \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	3,555 4,811	$\left\{\begin{array}{c} \\ 10,212 \end{array}\right $	65	152	4	706	96.48	94.35	95 · 45
-		Manifold, Thomas Chester	5,336	<i>?</i> !	ĺ	l	l	i	ı	1	**

For Notes see end of Table.

Bleeter-1 D	Electors	g. 11.1.1.5	First Preference Votes	of	Number	Number of Electors	Section 241 Voters*		1	ntage of E who Voted	lectors
Electoral Districts.	Enrolled.	Candidates' Names.	Polled for each Candidate	Electors who Voted.	Informal Ballot- papers.	who Voted by Post.	(Act No. 3660).	Absent Votes.]]	Males.	Females	. Total.
Hawthorn	22,334	Hulse, William Henry McPherson, Sir William	9,614	20,759	167	323	35	851	88.32	96.73	92.95
Heidelberg	25,525	Murray Luke, William Charles Albert	10,978 8,031	$\left \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right 23,691$	269	208	78	784	95.63	90.39	92.81
Kara Kara and Borung	10,915	Webber, Gordon Charles Dowsley, Alexander Pennington, John Warburton Crowley, Constantine John	15,391 4,026 5,915	9,996	55	131	13	846	92.77	90.35	91.58
Kew	23,742	Kent Hughes, Wilfrid Selwyn Murphy, Cyril	1,399 13,551 6,889	22,143	304	333	66	828	93 · 15	93 · 35	93 · 27
Korong and Eaglehawk	10,820	Dunstar, Albert Arthur Taysom, Alexander Robert	5,673 4,313	10,056	70	297		550	95 · 28	90.56	92.32
Lowan	11,262	$\begin{cases} Bussau, Albert Louis \\ McDonald, James Alexander \end{cases}$	2,189 3,475	} 10,716	130	182	10	617	94 · 17	96.22	95.15
Maryborough and Daylesford	10,614	Wettenhall, Marcus Edwy‡ Frost, George Clement	4,922 Un- opposed	J							
Melbourne	21,565	Hayes, Thomas	Un- opposed								
Mildura	10,602	Allnutt, Albert George‡ Henshall, Albert Patterson, John	3,672 2,153 3,571	9,546	150	142	55	565	90.01	90.08	90 · 04
Mornington	11,572	Burch, Joseph†	381 2,933 2,587	10,600	168	176	16	661	90.52	92.84	91.60
Northcote	22,346	Kirton, Alfred James‡ Cain, John	4,531 Un-	J							
Nunawading	21,032	f McKellar, John	8,793	} 19,876	151	310	50	898	96 · 20	93 · 13	94.50
Dakleigh	27,452	Menzies, Robert Gordon	$\begin{array}{c} 10,932 \\ 10,986 \\ 14,580 \end{array}$	$\left.\left\{\begin{array}{l}25,778\end{array}\right \right.$	212	339	30	1,064	97 · 48	90.93	93.90
Ouyen	11,068	Glowrey, Harold	Un- opposed	,			1				4
Polwarth	11,217	∫ Hill, Philip Brady ∴ McDonald, James	4,300 5,843	} 10,666	23	145	38	894	94 - 55	95.72	95 09
Port Fairy and Glenelg	11,000	Bond, Ernest Edward Ferguson, Donald Russell	$\frac{6,439}{1,291}$	10,576	111	189	8	581	97 · 26	94.97	96 · 15
Port Melbourne	21,292	Stevenson, William John	$2,735 \mid 1,982 \mid 16,648 \mid$	19,247	637	217	117	425	85.68	95.51	90 · 40
Prahran	24,291	Cole, Alfred William	9,575	$\begin{cases} 22,345 \end{cases}$	254	438	35	824	88.18	94 · 92	91.99
Richmond	23,375	Cotter, Edmund John	· Un- opposed)		. !					
todney	11,240	\{\) Allan, John \qquad \qq \q	6,199 4,391	10,641	51	146	16	564	96.24	92.96	94.67
t. Kilda	26,168	Gray, Burnett	13,253 11,035	24,495	207	427	11	880	94.12	$93 \cdot 22$	93.61
tawell and Ararat	11,071	Souther, Richard Frederick	5,006 5,415	10,505	84	231	6	746	96.09	93.64	94.89
wan Hill	9,220	Connellan, Thomas Peter Old, Francis Edward	3,590 4,706	8,367	71	110 !	47	589	91.47	89.82	90.75
oorak	22,001	Argyle, Sir Stanley Seymour Stout, James Victor	12,662 7,408	20,241	171	338	28	763	94.35	90.52	92.00
pper Goulburn	9,492	Mackrell, Edwin Joseph Withers, Edward Murtagh	4,555 4,337	8,949	57	139	13	600	96.55	91.50	94 · 28
pper Yarra	12,281	Knox, George Hodges	Un- opposed							}	
alhalla	10,213	McGrath, William John 1	4,259 4,208 950	9,515	98	88	10	654	93 · 20	93-12	93 · 17
angaratta and Ovens	9,513	Diffey, Lot Victor Higgins, William Thomas Inchbold, Percival Pennell Walker, Clive Auburn‡	2,821 1,375 1,313 3,428	9,051	114	207	21	476	97.97	92 · 25	95 · 14
aranga	9,229	Buckland, Edwin† Coyle, Ernest Augustine†	$\begin{array}{c c} 674 & 5\\ 4,176 & \\ 2,809 & \end{array}$	8,690	102	121	22	511	95.66	92 · 43	94 · 16
arrenheip and	9.733	Pook, William Hartrey, Thomas Augustine	929 J 3,739 \	9,421	73	317	7	388	97 · 71	95.89	96 · 79
Grenville arranmbool		Hogan, Edmond John Bailey, Henry Stephen	5,609 6,146	9,967	95	165	3	529	96 · 11	94 - 69	95 · 41
illianstown		Downing, William Eran Lemmon, John	3,726 J								
1	9,902	McKenzie, William George	opposed !- Un-					!		1	

Names of defeated candidates are printed in *italics*.——* Persons who were not enrolled but who claimed to have been entitled to enrolment (see also p. xxvii.——† Deposit forfeited, having polled less than one-fifth of the first preference votes received by the elected candidate.——‡ The candidate who received the greatest number of first preference votes did not secure an absolute majority as required by section 263 of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1928, No. 3660. For particulars of preferential count see p. xxvii.—|| Electors who voted in a subdivision other than that for which they were enrolled. See section 233, Act No. 3660.

APPENDIX No. 2.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

(SUMMARY.)

Total number of electors enrol Males, 496,996; females, 532					1.029,170
Total number of electors enroll Males, 169,142; females, 177			ed Distric	,	346,980
Total number of ele tricts)—Males, 32	682,190				
Total number of voters (45 con	tested I	Districts)	_		
Formal Informal (1.1 per cent.)		′			$\begin{array}{c} 332.434 \\ 0.934 \end{array}$
Males, 308.5	32 : fen	nales, 330.	.836		639.368

PERCENTAGE OF VOTERS TO THE TOTALS ENROLLED FOR CONTESTED DISTRICTS.

 Males.	Females.	Total.
94.11	93.37	$93 \cdot 72$
	DOGELAT VOTEG	

	POSTAL VOTES.										
Formal.	Informal.	Total.									
10,484	435 (3.98 per cent.)	10,919									

SECTION 241 VOTES.

(Persons who were not enrolled but who claimed to have been entitled to enrolment.)

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ALLOWED, after investigation by Electoral Regis-										
trars Not Allowed,	ofton	investigation	hw Fi	 Icotomol	1,084	(24.83	per	cent.)		
Registrars					3,281	(75 • 17	per	cent.)		
Tot	al			••	4,365					

PREFERENTIAL COUNT.

(GENERAL ELECTION, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1929.)

DETAILS OF THE PREFERENTIAL COUNT IN EACH DISTRICT WHERE AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY WAS NOT OBTAINED ON THE FIRST COUNT BY ANY CANDIDATE.

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF BRIGHTON.

Booth.	Grinit.	Macferlan.	Try.	Total.				
3,668	3,359	10,460	5,141	22,628				
1,868		882	609	3,359				
5,536	••	11,342	5,750	22,628				
	3,668 1,868	Booth, Gr mt. 3,668 3,359 1,868	3,668 3,359 10,460 1,868 882	Booth. Gr mt. Macferlan. Treesy. 3,668 3,359 10,460 5,141 1,868 882 669				

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF GIPPSLAND SOUTH.

			 - -		
		Hyland.	Mulcahy.	West.	Total.
First count—First preferences Distribution of ballot-p of Mulcaby, defeated	apers	4,17 5	2,610	2,900	9,685
didate	· ·	1,824	;	786	2, 610
Final count		5,999	•••	3,686	9,685

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF GIPPSLAND WEST.

<u> </u>	Be riett.	Garlick,	Jarnes.	Total.
First count—First preference votes	3,688	3,417	2,698	9,833
of James, defeated candidate	2,392	398		2,698
Final count	6,080	3,753		9,833

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF LOWAN.

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	Bussau.	McDonald.	Weitenhall.	Total.
First count—First preference votes Distribution of ballot-papers of Bussau, defeated candi-	2,189	3,475	4,922	10,586
date	• •	943	1,24	2,189
Final count		4,418	6,168	10.586

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF MILDURA.

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B inapolina	Allnutt.	H. nsh :ll.	Patterson.	Total.
First count- First preference votes		2,153	3,571	9,396
Distribution of ballot-papers of Henshall, defeated candidate			185	2,153
Final count	5, 3∓0		3,750	9,396

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF MORNINGTON.

	Bure i.	Davan : rd.	.j⊹k.	Kirton.	Total.
First count—First pre- ference votes Distribution of ballot-	381	2,033	2,587	4,531	10,432
papers of Burch, first defeated candidate		211	109	61	381
Total after first distri- bution Distribution of ballot- papers of Jack, second defeated candidate		3,144	2,696	4,592	10, 32
		2,22		476	2,696
Final count		5,364	· · ·	5.068	10,432

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF WALHALLA.

	McGrath.	Moneur.	Wilson.	Total,
First count—First preference votes Distribution of ballot-papers of Wilson, defeated candidate	4,259	4,208 816	950 	9,417
Final count	4,393	5,024		9,417

PREFERENTIAL COUNT—continued.

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA AND OVENS.					ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF WARANGA.						
		Cand	idates.		m.t.l		Candidates.				
	Diffey.	H'gg'n:	Inchhold.	Walker.	Total.		Buckland.	Coyle.	Minogue.	Pook.	Total.
First count—First preference votes Distribution of ballot-	2 ,821	1,375	· 1,313	3 ,42 8	8,937	First count—first pre- ference votes	97 4	4,176	2,809	929	8,588
papers of Inchbold, first defeated candidate	1,118	147	i	48	1,313	Distribution of ballot-					
Total after first distri- bution Distribution of ballot- papers of Higgins, second	3,939	1,522	. ••	3,476	8,937	Distribution of ballot- papers of Buckland, de- feated candidate		268	85	321	674
defeated candidate	930	••	•••	592	1,522	Final count			2,894	1 950	8,588
Final count	4,869		••	4,068	8,937	rmai count	••	4,114	2,094	1,250	0,088

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

The Parliament of Victoria begun and held at the City of Melbourne on Wednesday, the eleventh day of December, in the twentieth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth; and in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

1. On which day, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament, for the despatch of business, pursuant to Proclamation (hereinafter set forth), William Robert Alexander, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and George Reynolds Webb, Esquire, Clerk-Assistant, attending in the House, the following Proclamation was read at the Table by the Clerk:—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTIETH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, THE Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation fix Wednesday, the eleventh day of December, 1929, as the time for the commencement and holding of the First Session of the Thirtieth Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Springstreet, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

(L.S.) Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this fourth day of December, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and in the twentieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. M. McPHERSON.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Several of the Members repaired to their seats.

(350 copies.)

2. Message from Commissioner.—A Message from the Commissioner appointed by His Excellency the Governor was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

The Commissioner appointed by His Excellency the Governor requests the immediate attendance of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the Legislative Council Chamber to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the Members of the Legislative Assembly went to the Legislative Council Chamber, where the Honorable Mr. Justice Lowe said--

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

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

Then the said Letters Patent were read as follows:-

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India:

Whereas by Proclamation made the fourth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, by His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., Wednesday, the eleventh day of December, was fixed as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon, in the Parliament Houses, in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: Now know ye that We, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved the Honorable Charles John Lowe, Judge of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto you the said Charles John Lowe full power in Our name to begin and hold the said Session of Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it may concern to meet our said Parliament, and to the said Charles John Lowe, that he diligently attend in the premises and form aforesaid. In testimony whereof We have caused the seal of our said State to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS Our trusty and well-beloved Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable ARTHUR HERBERT TENNYSON, BARON SOMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., at Melbourne, this ninth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twentynine, and in the twentieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

(L.S.)

W. M. McPHERSON.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 31, page 22, this ninth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twnty-nine.

CHAS. G. GREEN, Acting Under-Secretary.

And then the Honorable Mr. Justice Lowe said-

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I have it in command from His Excellency to let you know that, later this day, His Excellency will declare to you in person, in this place, the cause of his calling this Parliament together; and, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, as it is necessary before you proceed to the despatch of business that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, His Excellency requests that you, in your Chamber, will proceed to the choice of a proper person to be Speaker.

And the Members of the Assembly being returned-

- 3. Commission to administer Oath to Members.—The Honorable Mr. Justice Lowe, having entered the House and been conducted by the Serjeant-at-Arms to the Chair, handed to the Clerk at the Table a Commission, which was read as follows:—
 - By His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honorable Charles John Lowe, Judge of Our Supreme Court in Our said State of Victoria.

GREETING:

Whereas by the thirty-second section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1915, No. 2632, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Governor of the said State, do by these presents command and authorize you to proceed to the Parliament Houses, in the City of Melbourne, on Wednesday, the eleventh day of December instant, at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon, then and there to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Assembly as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Assembly.

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

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. M. McPHERSON.

Entered on record by me in Register of Patents, Book 31, page 23, this ninth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

CHAS. G. GREEN, Acting Under-Secretary.

4. Writs.—The Clerk announced that he had received from the Official Secretary to His Excellency the Governor 65 Writs issued under the hand of His Excellency for the election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, and that by the returns indorsed on the several Writs it appeared that the following gentlemen were duly elected for the districts set opposite their respective names, viz.:—

Arthur Knight Wallace. Albert Park Sir Alexander James Peacock. Allandale ••• . . . William James McAdam. Ballaarat Thomas Karran Maltby. Barwon Edward Francis Cleary Benalla

Benambra ... Henry Beardmore, of Wodonga, grazier.

Bendigo ... Arthur Ernest Cook, of Mt. Korong-road and Barnard-street,

Bendigo, hairdresser.

Boroondara ... Richard Linton, of Kensington-road, South Yarra.

Brighton ... Ian Macfarlan.

Brunswick ... James Roberts Jewell.

Bulla and Dalhousie ... Reginald Thomas Pollard.

Carlton Robert Henry Solly.

Carlton... ... Robert Henry Solly.
Castlemaine and Kyneton ... Jesse Edward Satchell.
Caulfield ... Frederick Edward Forrest.

Clifton Hill ... Maurice McCrae Blackburn, barrister and solicitor, Florencestreet, Essendon.

Coburg... ... Frank Keane, 96 Barrow-street, Coburg, cooper.

Collingwood ... Thomas Tunnecliffe, of 28 North-terrace, Clifton Hill, boot-maker.

Dandenong ... Herbert Michael Cremean.

Dundas... ... William Slater.

Essendon ... Arthur Samuel Drakeford, of 40 Ngarveno-street, Moonee Ponds.

Evelyn... ... William Hugh Everard, of 133 Wellington-street, Kew, merchant.

Flemington ... John Joseph Holland.

Footscray ... George Michael Prendergast, of 83 Chapman-street, North Melbourne, printer.

Geelong ... William Brownbill.
Gippsland East ... Albert Eli Lind.

Gippsland North... ... James Weir McLachlan, of Sale, saddler.

Gippsland South ... Herbert John Thornhill Hyland.

Gippsland West Matthew Bennett.

Goulburn Valley ... Murray William James Bourchier, farmer and grazier, of Katandra North, and Maroona-road, Brighton. Ralph Theodore Hjorth. Grant ... Henry Angus, of Tresco, grazier.
Thomas Chester Manifold, "Gnarpurt," Lismore, grazier. Gunbower Hampden William Murray McPherson. Gordon Charles Webber. Hawthorn Heidelberg Kara Kara and Borung John Warburton Pennington, of Bealiba, grazier. Wilfrid Selwyn Kent Hughes. Kew ... Korong and Eaglehawk Albert Arthur Dunstan. Lowan ... Marcus Edwy Wettenhall. Maryborough and Daylesford George Clement Frost, of Maryborough, orchardist. Thomas Hayes, secretary, 7 Curran-street, North Melbourne. Melbourne Mildura A. G. Allnutt. Mornington Herbert Downward. John Cain, 23 James-street, Northcote, clerk. Northcote . . . Nunawading Robert Gordon Menzies. Oakleigh Squire Horace Reid. ... Ouyen ... Harold Glowrey, farmer, Ouyen. Polwarth James McDonald, of Inverleigh, orchardist. ... Port Fairy and Glenelg Ernest Edward Bond. James Laurence Murphy, of 88 Nelson-road, South Melbourne, Port Melbourne ... Prahran Arthur Richard Jackson. . . . Richmond Edmund John Cotter, cooper, 254 Mary-street, Richmond. Rodney John Allan, of Wyuna South, farmer. *:*.. Stawell and Ararat Richard Frederick Toutcher, of 22 Victoria-street, Elsternwick, estate agent. St. Kilda Burnett Gray. Swan Hill Francis Edward Old. ... Stanley Seymour Argyle.
Edwin Joseph Mackrell, of Canterbury, grazier. Toorak... ... Upper Goulburn Upper Yarra George Hodges Knox, of Ferntree Gully, farmer. Walhalla William Anderson Moncur, farmer, Thorpdale. . . . Wangaratta and Ovens Lot Victor Diffey. • • • Waranga Ernest Augustine Coyle. Warrenheip and Grenville ... Edmond John Hogan. Warrnambool ... Henry Stephen Bailey. . . . Williamstown John Lemmon, of Karma-avenue, East Malvern, legislator. Wonthaggi William George McKenzie, of Wonthaggi, grocer.

Members Sworn.—A. K. Wallace, Esq., the Honorable Sir A. J. Peacock, W. J. McAdam, Esq., T. K. Maltby, Esq., E. F. Cleary, Esq., the Honorable H. Beardmore, A. E. Cook, Esq., the Honorable R. Linton, the Honorable I. Macfarlan, J. R. Jewell, Esq., R. T. Pollard, Esq., R. H. Solly, Esq., J. E. Satchell, Esq., Lieut.-Colonel F. E. Forrest, M. M. Blackburn, Esq., F. Keane, Esq., the Honorable T. Tunnecliffe, H. M. Cremean, Esq., the Honorable W. Slater, A. S. Drakeford, Esq., W. H. Everard, Esq., J. J. Holland, Esq., the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, W. Brownbill, Esq., A. E. Lind, Esq., J. W. McLachlan, Esq., H. J. T. Hyland, Esq., M. Bennett, Esq., Colonel the Honorable M. W. J. Bourchier, R. T. Hjorth, Esq., the Honorable H. Angus, T. C. Manifold, Esq., the Honorable Sir W. M. McPherson, the Honorable G. C. Webber, the Honorable J. W. Pennington. W. S. Kent Hughes, Esq., A. A. Dunstan, Esq., the Honorable M. E. Wettenhall, G. C. Frost, Esq., T. Hayes, Esq., A. G. Allnutt, Esq., H. Downward, Esq., the Honorable J. Cain, the Honorable R. G. Menzies, S. H. Reid, Esq., H. Glowrey, Esq., the Honorable J. McDonald, E. E. Bond, Esq., J. L. Murphy, Esq., A. R. Jackson, Esq., E. J. Cotter, Esq., the Honorable Dr. S. S. Argyle, the Honorable R. F. Toutcher, B. Gray, Esq., the Honorable F. E. Old, the Honorable Dr. S. S. Argyle, the Honorable E. J. Mackrell, Lieut.-Colonel the Honorable G. H. Knox, W. A. Moncur, Esq., L. V. Diffey, Esq., E. A. Coyle, Esq., the Honorable E. J. Hogan, the Honorable H. S. Bailey, the Honorable J. Lemmon, W. G. McKenzie, Esq., took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

The Commissioner, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms, then retired from the House.

6. ELECTION OF SPEAKER.—Sir William McPherson addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker the Honorable Sir Alexander James Peacock, and moved, That the Honorable Sir Alexander James Peacock do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, which motion was seconded by Mr. Hogan.

The House then calling the Honorable Sir Alexander James Peacock to the Chair, he stood up in his place and expressed the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the House.

The House then again unanimously calling the Honorable Sir Alexander James Peacock to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Sir William McPherson and Mr. Hogan, and conducted to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by unanimously choosing him to be their Speaker, and thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and then the Mace, which before lay under the Table, was laid upon the Table.

Then Sir William McPherson, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Allan, and Mr. Dunstan congratulated Mr. Speaker.

- 7. Presentation of the Speaker.—Sir William McPherson stated that he had already ascertained that it would be His Excellency's pleasure to receive the Speaker in the Library, at the Parliament House, this day, at a quarter-past Two o'clock.
- 8. Mr. Speaker left the Chair at fifty-six minutes past Eleven o'clock, and resumed it at thirty-two minutes past Two o'clock, and read the Prayer.
- 9. Presentation of the Speaker.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day proceeded to the Library, Parliament House, and that he had presented himself to His Excellency the Governor as the choice of the Legislative Assembly, and that His Excellency had been pleased to address him in the following terms:—

Mr. Speaker,

In expressing my approval of the action of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in choosing you as their Speaker, I desire to congratulate you on your election for the second time to that high and honourable office. I am confident that you will continue to carry out the duties of your office with the tact, dignity and ability you have always shown in the past.

SOMERS,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

Governor of Victoria.

10. Message from His Excellency the Governor.—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker

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

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

11. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Supply.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

1929.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE, 1929-30.

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the period from the 16th December, 1929, to the 15th January, 1930, in the year 1929–30, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 10th December, 1929.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimate, to be taken into consideration in Committee of Supply to-morrow.

12. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Municipal Endowment Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

13. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

14. Message from His Excellency the Governor—State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendigo Purchase) Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Beardmore, and the same was read:—

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of Undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company of Victoria Limited and for other purposes.

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

15. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Victorian Loan Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

16. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill.
—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend Section Nineteen and Section One hundred and ninety-seven of the Closer Settlement Act 1928.

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

17. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Cultivation Advances Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to enable Advances to be made to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

18. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Sessional Acts Revision Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Macfarlan, and the same was read:—SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 8.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes.

Government Offices.

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

19. Papers.—Dr. Argyle presented—

Fines under Dairy, Fertilizers, Health (Pure Food), Factories, Weights and Measures, and Bakers and Millers Acts.—Return to an Order of the House dated 25th September, 1929.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Apprenticeship Act 1927.—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria.—Electrical Trades Regulations (No. 2).

Companies Act 1915.—Summary of Statements for the year 1928 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.

Forests Commission.—Tenth Annual Report of the Forests Commission of Victoria, for the financial year 1928-29.

Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.—Twenty-second Balance-sheet of the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust as at 30th June, 1929.

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of Part Crown Allotment 19B, at Main Ridge, Parish of Wannaeue, County of Mornington, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

Railways Standing Committee.—Fortieth General Report.

State Electricity Commission Act 1918.—Tenth Annual Report of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria, for the financial year ended 30th June, 1929; together with Appendices.

Water Acts.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts with reference to the constitution of the proposed Hindmarsh Waterworks District; together with Plan showing the Area.

- 20. FOOTSCRAY—ERECTION OF SHOPS AT NICHOLSON-STREET.—Motion made, by leave, and question—
 That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee
 on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3603 (Erection of
 Shops at Nicholson-street, Footscray); together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Mr.
 Beardmore)—put and agreed to.
- 21. PAPER.—Mr. Beardmore presented---

Footscray—Erection of Shops at Nicholson-street.—Return to the foregoing Order. Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.

- 22. NORTH ESSENDON—ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE RAILWAY AT.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3603 (Provision of a Road Bridge over the Railway at North Essendon); together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Mr. Beardmore)—put and agreed to.
- 23. Paper.—Mr. Beardmore presented—

North Essendon—Road Bridge over the Railway at.—Return to the foregoing Order. Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.

- 24. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—Mr. Macfarlan obtained leave, with Mr. Angus, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Division Twelve of Part VIII. of the 'Supreme Court Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 25. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, as follows:—
 - Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I avail myself of the earliest opportunity of obtaining your advice and assistance after the General Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

The requisite provision for the public services of the year is still to be made.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the current financial year will be submitted to you forthwith.

As supply will be exhausted on the 15th inst., the matter of further supply for essential services will require your immediate consideration.

- Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:
- Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

It is estimated that, as a result of the prolonged drought, about five thousand settlers will require financial assistance. In view of the fact that money for advances under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and the Closer Settlement Acts and under the Cultivation Advances Act

will not be available after the thirty-first day of December, my Advisers will ask Parliament to increase the authority for advances under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and the Closer Settlement Acts and to extend the Cultivation Advances Act. This legislation, if promptly enacted, will go far towards relieving the serious position of the settlers.

In order to permit of the continuation of works now in progress, and to provide for further important public works, it will be necessary to submit proposals for additional borrowing powers for these purposes, and for the application of loan moneys.

It is essential that several other matters should be dealt with before the end of this month. Among them are measures relating to-

Income tax re-enactment;

Land tax re-enactment;

Municipal endowment;

The purchase by the State Electricity Commission of undertakings at Ballarat and Bendigo; and

The continuation of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.

Other measures which it will be necessary to introduce at once include Bills relating to Finance, and to such legislation as will arise out of the consideration of the Estimates of Revenue and Expen-

In order that the Acts passed during last session may be brought into line with the Consolidating Acts, a Sessional Acts Revision Bill will be introduced immediately.

My Advisers, in submitting their proposals for legislation, will have special regard to the necessity of giving, at the earliest possible date, further relief to settlers in the Mallee and other drought-stricken areas, and also to persons out of employment.

My Advisers propose, early in the New Year, to proceed with the full programme of legislation placed by them before the electors, which includes the following subjects:-

State Rural Bank.

Home Maintenance Areas. Dairy Produce.

Marketing.

Transport.
Motor Vehicles.

Dried Fruits.

Public Service.

Reconstitution of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.

Money Lenders.

Trading Coupons.

Factories and Shops.

Cancer Research. Mental Deficiency.

Compulsory Voting at Licensing Polls.

Crimes.

Police Offences.

Local Government.

Public Entertainments.

Weights and Measures.

Ministry of Health.

I trust that your deliberations may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, advance the welfare and happiness of the community.

SOMERS,

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

Governor of Victoria.

26. Address in Reply to the Governor's Speech.—Motion made and question proposed—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :-

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament (Mr. Manifold)—and, after debate-

Amendment proposed-That the following words be added to the proposed Address:--" and we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that after the McPherson Nationalist Government was defeated in the Legislative Assembly on 23rd October, 1929, the Premier informed Parliament that the Government regarded the adverse vote as vital, and that he had advised His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to dissolve Parliament. The twenty-ninth Parliament was subsequently dissolved, and the Government appealed to the electron.

On 30th November the electors dismissed the McPherson Government's appeal. Only seventeen Members of the Nationalist Party, including the Ministers, were elected. Consequently, we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of the House or of the country" (Mr. Hogan)-and, after debate-

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

The House divided.

	Ayes, 36.	1	Noes, 28.
Mr. Allnutt	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Allan	Mr. Manifold
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Keane	Mr. Angus	$\mathbf{Mr.}$ McDonald
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McKenzie	Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Bennett	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Cleary	Mr. Pollard	Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Moncur
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Coyle	Mr. Old
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Reid	Mr. Diffey	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Satchell	Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Slater	Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly	Mr. Hyland	
LieutCol. Forrest	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Kent Hughes	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Lind	Tellers.
Mr. Glowrey	Mr. Webber	Mr. Linton	
Mr. Gray		Mr. Macfarlan	LieutCol. Knox
Mr. Hayes		Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Maltby
Mr. Hjorth	/T-11		
Mr. Hogan	Tellers.	1	
Mr. Holland	Mr. Bailey		
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	1	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament; and we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that after the McPherson Nationalist Government was defeated in the Legislative Assembly on 23rd October, 1929, the Premier informed Parliament that the Government regarded the adverse vote as vital, and that he had advised His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to dissolve Parliament. The twenty-ninth Parliament was subsequently dissolved, and the Government appealed to the electors.

On 30th November the electors dismissed the McPherson Government's appeal. Only seventeen Members of the Nationalist Party, including the Ministers, were elected. Consequently, we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of the House or of the country

—put and agreed to.

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

27. Adjournment.—Motion made, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Four o'clock (Sir William McPherson)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

A. J. PEACOCK,

Speaker.

No. 2.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Petition.—Mr. Cremean presented a Petition from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Closer Settlement Act 1915 and Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts.—Report of the Closer Settlement Board for the year ended 30th June, 1929.

- 4. Supply.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 5. Ways and Means.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 6. ACTING CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the Honorable Member for Richmond, Mr. Edmund John Cotter, act as Chairman of Committees for this day (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 7. Supply.—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Cotter reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:-

Resolved-That a sum not exceeding £1,511,324 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1929-30, viz.:-

Divisio	n No.			£
1.	Legislative Council—Salaries and Contingencies	• •		89
	Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Contingencies	• •	• •	967
3.	Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Contin	zencies		100
	Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Contingencies	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• •	245
5.			• •	151
	The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Cont		• •	316
8.	Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Continge	ncies		650
9.	Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Contingencies	••	• •	1,180
10.	" " Miscellaneous	• •	• •	405
11.	" Pensions, &c	• •	• •	6,800
12.	", Grants			2,040
	Board for the Protection of the Aborigines-Salaries and	Contingenc	ies	700
14.		• •	• •	659
	State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	• •	• •	354
17.			• •	700
	Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Contingence		• •	237
19.	The Governor's Office—Salaries and Contingencies		• •	54
	Inebriates Institution—Salaries, Contingencies, and Misco		• •	405
21.		• •	• •	415
22.	Audit Office—Salaries and Contingencies	• •	• •	1,810
23.	Government Statist—Salaries and Contingencies	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• •	2,266
	Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries, Contingencies, and M		• •	38,916
	Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries, Contingencies, and Ma		• •	37,596
	Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Contingencies	• •	• •	8,975
27.	, , ,	• •	• •	58,800
	Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Miscellaneous	• •	• •	4,145
	Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Contingencies	••	• •	299
3 0.	Department of Labour—Salaries and Contingencies	• •	• •	2,745
31.	Education—Salaries	• •	• •	183,000
32 .	" Contingencies and Miscellaneous	• •	• •	22,000
3 3.	,, Pensions, &c	• •	• •	2,086
34.	" Works and Buildings	• •	• •	
3 5.	" Endowments and Grants	• •	• •	39,000 13,081
37.	Attorney-General—Salaries and Contingencies	• •	••	15,001
38. 39.	", Pensions, &c	• •	• •	$7,\!400$
40.		• •	••	2,070
40. 41.	Treasury—Salaries and Contingencies	••	••	2,000
42.	Transport &c	• •	• •	650
42 . 43.	Unforcean Expanditure	••	••	220
44.	Poumonts to Poilway Donortmont	• •	••	15,000
45.	Hagnitals and Charities	••	••	31,778
46.	Granta	••	• • •	1,333
47.	Pangiong to	••	••	74
48.	" Exceptional Expenditure			1,125
49.		eral		1,190
50.	State Superannuation Board—Salaries, Contingencies, an		eous	251
51.	Pangiang & a			5
54.	Taxation Office—Land Tax—Salaries and Contingencies		• •	2,943
55.	" Death Duties—Salaries and Contingenci	ies .		258
56.	Curator—Salaries and Contingencies		• •	481
57.	Government Printer—Salaries and Contingencies	••	••	11,752
58.	Miscellaneous	• •	• •	367
	Lands—Survey, Settlement, &cSalaries and Contingen	cies	• •	5,267
60.	" Miscellaneous	••		8,050
61.	"Botanic and Domain Gardens, &c.—Salaries and	Contingenc	ies	1,394
	•	•		

Divisio	n No.					£
62.	Lands—Grants		• •			450
63.	,, Works and Buildings					180
63 _A						52
	Public Works—Salaries and Contingencies					5,440
65.	", " Works and Buildings					30,000
66.	", ", Road Works and Bridges		• •			3,000
67.	" " Endowments and Grants, M		ties, &c.	• •		3,000
68.	Ports and Harbours-Salaries and Continge					2,600
69.	", ", Works, &c					4,000
	Mines—Salaries and Contingencies					1,960
73.	., Miscellaneous		• •			2,000
74.	Immigration—Salaries and Contingencies					600
75.	Forests-Salaries, Contingencies, and Misce					7,820
76.	State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	-Salari	es. &c.	• •		26,748
77.	Agriculture—Administrative—Salaries and	Continge	ncies	• •		1,257
78.	,, Salaries, Contingencies, and I					4,419
79.	Maffra Root Sugar Factory					1,200
80.		•••	••			2,583
82.	Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Miscellaneo		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••	• •	7,568
83.	Export Development—Salaries and Miscell		••		• •	5,012
85.	Public Health—Salaries and Contingencies		••	• •		20,396
86.	,, ,, Grants	••	••	••	• • •	907
87.	Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	• •	• •	••	• • •	778,492
88.	TD		••	••		460
89.	,, Pensions, &c	• •	• •	• •	••	1,110
90.	State Coal Mine—Working Expenses	••	• •	• •	••	75,243
90.	State Coal Mine—working Expenses	• •	••	••	••	70,210
	T	otal	••	••	••	£1,511,324

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

8. Ways and Means.—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Cotter reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1929-30 the sum of £1,511,324 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

9. Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million five hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and twenty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and thirty"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

- 10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 11. Adjournment.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Petitions.—Petitions from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday, were presented as follows:—

By Mr. Bennett

By Mr. Old

By Mr. Tunnecliffe By Mr. Pennington

Lieut.-Col. Forrest presented a Petition from certain members of the Central Council of Metropolitan Progress Associations in Victoria praying that the Assembly will pass legislation to provide—(a) that a system be established on the lines of the Protective Services System of the London County Council to regulate the price and quality of gas supplied in the metropolitan area and to ensure an adequate su pply and pressure; (b) that the standard price of gas be considerably reduced; (c) that the price be regulated in accordance with the profits and dividends; (d) that the machinery and plant be kept at the proper standard and the best approved methods be adopted; (e) that full power for the protection of the public be vested in and conferred on a re-constituted Gas Municipal Conference until the Greater Melbourne Council is established; (f) that such powers be vested in and conferred on the Greater Melbourne Council when established; and (g) that a committee of certain members of the present or re-constituted Gas Municipal Conference he associated with the Greater Melbourne of the present or re-constituted Gas Municipal Conference be associated with the Greater Melbourne Council in relation to this subject.

Motion made and question-That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read (Lieut.-Col. Forrest)—put and agreed to.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

- 3. Days of Business.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week during the remainder of the Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business; that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Monday and Tuesday; that half-past Three o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday; and that half-past Ten o'clock be the hour of meeting on Thursday and Friday; that Government business shall take precedence of all other business during each sitting day; and that fresh business may be called on at any hour (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
- 4. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Motion made and question—That the Honorable Member for Geelong, Mr. Brownbill, be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after
- 5. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained lea e, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 7. Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Bill.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. Webber, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- . 8. Dried Fruits Bill.—Mr. Slater, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Pollard, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Seventeen of the Dried Fruits Act 1928' and to continue in force the Dried Fruits Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 - 9. Municipal Endowment Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 2.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment.

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

Ordered-That Mr. Webber and Mr. Hogan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Webber then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

(300 copies.)

10. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 3.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

11. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARAT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 4. House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of Undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company of Victoria Limited and for other purposes.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of Undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company of Victoria Limited and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

12. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 5.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

13. Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 6.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend Section Nineteen and Section One hundred and ninety-seven of the Closer Settlement Act 1928.

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

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

Mr. Bailey then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Nineteen and Section One hundred and ninety-seven of the Closer Settlement Act 1928"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

14. Cultivation Advances Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 7.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to enable Advances to be made to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes. And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Bailey and Mr. Pollard do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing

Mr. Bailey then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to enable Advances to be made to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

15. Sessional Acts Revision Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 8.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:---

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the Second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes.

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

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

- Mr. Slater then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the Second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 16. Presentation of Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—Mr. Speaker reported that, as directed by this Honorable House, he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly, agreed to on the 11th December instant, in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament. His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

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

You inform me in your Address that the Government does not possess the confidence of the House or of the Country.

I have the honour to inform you that the Administration having resigned their offices, I have taken such steps as, I trust, will bring the Executive Government into harmony with the opinion of the Legislative Assembly.

SOMERS,

Melbourne, 17th December, 1929.

Governor of Victoria.

17. Papers.—Mr. Tunnecliffe presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons.—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1928.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Railway Department during the period from 1st July, 1928, to 30th June, 1929.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1929.

Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1928.

Fire Brigades Act 1915.—Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 30th June, 1929; together with Statements of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

University Act 1915.—Report of the Proceedings of the University from 31st July, 1928, to 31st July, 1929; together with Appendices and Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.

- 18. Sessional Acts Revision Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 19. Municipal Endowment Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 20. Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 21. Electricity Supply Loans Application Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee.

 Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

22. Committee of Elections and Qualifications.—The following Warrant, appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications," was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the three hundred and forty-sixth section of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I do hereby appoint Albert George Allnutt, Esquire, the Honorable Henry Angus, Colonel the Honorable Murray William James Bourchier, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., John Joseph Holland, Esquire, William George McKenzie, Esquire, the Honorable Robert Gordon Menzies, K.C., and Arthur Knight Wallace, Esquire, to be members of a Committee to be called "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications."

Given under my hand this seventeenth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.

- 23. Message from the Legislative Council.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have appointed a Committee of six Members to join with a Committee of the Assembly to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments.
- 24. Message from the Legislative Council.--Transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Phillip Island Shire Act 1928."
- 25. PHILLIP ISLAND SHIRE BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Webber the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 26. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:— Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).

Sessional Acts Revision Bill.

Municipal Endowment Bill.

27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .-- Ordered -- That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Railway Loan Application Bill—Second reading.

 $D_ried\ Fruits\ Bill$ —Second reading.

Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill—Second reading.

State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendiyo Purchase) Bill—Second reading.

Victorian Loan Bill—Second reading.
Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill—Second reading.

Cultivation Advances Bill-Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. A. J. PEACOCK,

Speaker.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Printing at Pentridge.--Motion made and question-That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of printing done at Pentridge during the last twelve months, specifying—
 (a) work done for the Pentridge office and prison; (b) departmental work, specifying each Department; (c) work done for private individuals other than governmental work; (d) the staff employed, showing the names and salaries of each; and (e) the number of prisoners employed (Mr. Prendergast)—put and agreed to.
- 3. Petitions.—Petitions from certain residents in Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday, were presented as follows:-

By Colonel Bourchier (three petitions)

By Mr. Pennington

By Mr. Pollard

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Balance-sheet of the Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund for the year 1928.

5. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Assent to Bills.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

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

- "An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million five hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and twenty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and thirty."
- "An Act to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the Second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes."
- "An Act relating to Municipal Endowment."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

6. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Webber, and the same was read:—

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 10.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

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

7. Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 10.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts.

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

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

- Mr. Webber then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 8. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Nos. 2 and 3.
- 9. Victorian Loan Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 10. Cultivation Advances Bill.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Bailey)—and, after debate—

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (Mr. Bennett)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

- 11. Message from the Legislative Council.—Transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Area of the Metropolis under the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1928."
- 12. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Webber the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

13. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bailey, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend Sections Nineteen, One hundred and ninety-seven, and Two hundred and three of the *Closer Settlement Act* 1928.

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Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

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

14. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (FINANCIAL) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 11.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend Sections Nineteen, One hundred and ninety-seven, and Two hundred and three of the Closer Settlement Act 1928.

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

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

- Mr. Bailey then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Sections Nineteen, One hundred and ninety-seven, and Two hundred and three of the Closer Settlement Act 1928"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
- 15 Message from His Excellency the Governor—Estimates for 1929-30—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

1929.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1929-30.

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1929-30, in lieu of the Estimates of Expenditure transmitted on the 3rd July, 1929, the 28th August, 1929, the 2nd October, 1929, the 29th October, 1929, and the 11th December, 1929, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and, together with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of Supply.
- 16. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive be postponed until after No. 11.
- 17. Supply—Budget.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
- 18. Cultivation Advances Bill.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time, after debate.

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

- 19. Message from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Bill without amendment.
- 20. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 6.
- 21. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARAT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee.

 Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

- 22. Postponement of Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1, Nos. 4 and 5, 7 to 10 inclusive, No. 12, and Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive be postponed until this day.
- 23. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Motion made and question proposed—That Mr. Hayes and Mr. Cook be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Mr. Hogan).

Motion made and question proposed—That Mr. Toutcher and Mr. Lind be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Sir William McPherson).

Motion made and question proposed—That Mr. Dunstan be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Mr. Cleary).

And, after debate-

Question—That Mr. Hayes be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—put and agreed to.

Question—That Mr. Cook be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—put and agreed to.

Question—That Mr. Toutcher be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—put.

The House divided.

Ay	e s , 22.		Noes, 27.
Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Allnutt	Mr. Holland
Mr. Angus	Mr. Manifold	Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jackson
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Bond	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Bennett	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Moncur	Mr. Cain	Mr. McKenzie
Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Old	Mr. Cleary	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Coyle	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr Diffey		Mr. Cotter	Mr. Satchell
Mr. Downward		Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Slater
Mr. Hyland	Tellers.	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Webber
Mr. Kent Hughes		Mr. Frost	
Mr. Lind	LieutCol. Knox	Mr. Glowrey	Tellers.
Mr. Linton	Mr. Pennington	Mr. Gray	
	G	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Hjorth
		Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That Mr. Lind be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—put and agreed to.

Question—That Mr. Dunstan be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—put.

The House divided.

	Ayes, 27.	Noes, 21.				
Mr. Allnutt	Mr. Holland	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell			
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Angus	Mr. Manifold			
Mr. Bond	Mr. Jewell	Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson			
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Bennett	Mr. Menzies			
Mr. Cain	Mr. McKenzie	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Moncur			
Mr. Cleary	Mr. Pollard	Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Old			
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Diffey	Mr. Toutcher			
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Satchell	Mr. Downward				
Mr. Coyle	Mr. Slater Mr. Webber	Mr. Hyland	Tellers.			
Mr. Drakeford Mr. Frost	Mr. wedder	Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lind	LieutCol. Knox			
Mr. Glowrey	Tellers.	Mr. Linton	Mr. Pennington			
Mr. Gray	1 etters.		G			
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Hjorth					
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon					

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

24. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1, Nos. 4 and 5, 7 to 10 inclusive, and No. 12 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill—Second reading.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill—(from Council)—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. A. J. PEACOCK.

Speaker.

No. 5.

THURSDAY, 19rn DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Paper.—Mr. Hogan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor— Charitable Institutions.—Statistics for the year ended 30th June, 1929. Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3. LICENSING (CONDUCT OF POLL) BILL.—Mr. Tunnecliffe obtained leave, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Three hundred and four of the 'Licensing Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 4. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time. Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 5. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARAT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE) BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 6. MERINGUR TO MORKALLA RAILWAY EXTENSION.—Motion made, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, by leave, and question—That the construction of a 5-ft. 3-in. gauge railway from Meringur to Morkalla be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report (Mr. Cain)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
- 7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (FINANCIAL) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time, after debate.

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

- 8. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:— Victorian Loan Bill. State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendigo Purchase) Bill.
- 9. Temporary Chairmen of Committees.—The following Warrant, nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:-

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria numbered 4A, I do hereby nominate Edmund John Cotter, Esquire, William Hugh Everard, Esquire, George Clement Frost, Esquire, James Laurence Murphy, Esquire, and the Honorable Francis Edward Old to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees whenever requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this nineteenth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

A. J. PEACOCK,

10. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Developmental Railways Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read :-

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds out of The Developmental Railways Account.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

11. Developmental Railways Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 13.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds out of The Developmental Railways Account.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds out of The Developmental Railways Account"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

12. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Coal Mines Regulation Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Net Surplus Profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

13. COAL MINES REGULATION BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 14.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient than an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Net Surplus Profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Net Surplus Profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

14. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Public Account Advances Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of The Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

15. Public Account Advances Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 15.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of The Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of The Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

16. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.—
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 16.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the *Transfer of Land Act* 1928.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

17. Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 16.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Act 1928.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Act 1928"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

18. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Country Roads Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 17.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

19. Country Roads Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 17.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:-

Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans.

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

20. Supply—Budget.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock-

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Committee reported progress; to sit again this day.

- 21. Message from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill without amendment.
- 22. Message from the Legislative Council.—Transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act to amend Subsection (2) of Section Twenty-six of the Apprenticeship Act 1928."
- 23. Apprenticeship Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Webber the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

24. Message from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the Cultivation Advances Bill with amendments.

And the said amendments are as follow:-

- 1. Clause 4, page 5, line 1, after "determines" insert "and (in any case where there is any existing mortgage lease or agreement with respect to the farm of the cultivator) with the consent of the mortgagee or the lessor or the other party to the agreement (as the case may be).
- 2. Clause 6, line 42, after "determines" insert "and (in any case where there is any existing mortgage lease or agreement with respect to the farm of the cultivator) with the consent of the mortgagee or the lessor or the other party to the agreement (as the case may be)."

And the said amendments were read a second time, after debate, and agreed to by the House.

- Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.
- 25. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.
- 26. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 27. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 28. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :-Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill—Second reading.
- Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
- 29. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—Motion made, by leave, and question—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, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Holland, Mr. Moncur, and Mr. Slater; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 30. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:-Mr. Speaker, Mr. Allan, Mr. Angus, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Cain, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Linton, Sir William McPherson, Mr. Old, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Tunnecliffe; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 31. Printing Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beardmore, Colonel Bourchier, Mr. Coyle, Mr. Cremean, Mr. Frost, Mr. Jackson, Lieut.-Col. Knox, Mr. Linton, Mr. McKenzie, and Mr. Murphy; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 32. Public Accounts Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Bond, Mr. Everard, Lieut.-Col. Forrest, Mr. Holland, Mr. Mackrell, Mr. McDonald, and Mr. Murphy; and that the Committee have power to send 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 (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 33. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws adopted by this House on the 16th June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with the Committee of the Legislative Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Macfarlan, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Slater, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing

34. House Committee. Motion made, by leave, and question-That the following Members be appointed members of the House Committee:—Mr. Allan, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Cleary, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Jewell (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

35. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 6, Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive, and Nos. 12 and 13 be postponed until this day.

Ordered-That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until this day:-

 ${\it Licensing} \; ({\it Conduct} \; of \; Poll) \; {\it Bill-Second} \; {\it reading}.$

Developmental Railways Bill—Second reading.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill—Second reading.
Public Account Advances Bill—Second reading.

Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill—Second reading.

Country Roads Bill—Second reading.

And then the House, at forty minutes past Four o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

W. R. ALEXANDER,

A. J. PEACOCK,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Speaker.

No 6.

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Unimproved Land Value.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return from the Land Tax Commissioner showing—
 - 1. The unimproved value of the land situated within 30 miles of the Melbourne General Post Office
 - 2. The unimproved value of all the remaining land throughout this State.
 - -(Mr. Glowrey)—put and agreed to.
- 3. Papers.—Mr. Lemmon presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1928-29.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Country Roads Act 1915.—Sixteenth Annual Report of the Country Roads Board, for year ended 30th June, 1929.

- 4. Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.—Mr. Bailey obtained leave, with Mr. Pollard, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Exchange of certain Crown Land in the Township of Korumburra temporarily reserved as a Site for a Public Park for certain other Land in the Parish of Korumburra and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 5. Petition.—Mr. Jewell presented a Petition from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday.

 Ordered to lie on the Table.
- 6. Ways and Means—Income Tax.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—

- (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Sevenpence;

or every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Eightpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Ninepence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Tenpence;

- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twelvepence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixteenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Eighteenpence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Twentypence;

- (c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:—
 - (i) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—

an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

- (ii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds
 - an amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;
- (iii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—

an amount equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

- (iv) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds
 - an amount equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable; and
- (v) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—

an amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

- (d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twenty-one pence:
- (e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company—
 - (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and
 - (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this resolution, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvepence and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Twenty-one pence:

Provided further that where any person (not being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of this resolution the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.

Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this resolution, where a person would, apart from this provision of this resolution, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.

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

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

7. Income Tax Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to continue the Income Tax Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

therein.

- 8. Ways and Means-Land Tax.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
 - Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Murphy reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :-

Resolved

- 1. That subject to the Land Tax Acts there shall in the case of each owner of land be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty a duty of land tax upon land for every pound sterling of the unimproved value thereof as assessed under the said Acts at such rate as is hereinafter set forth (that is to say):-
 - Where the unimproved value or total unimproved value of all land or lands of any owner exceeds Two hundred and fifty pounds the rate of tax payable thereon for the said year shall be: On every pound sterling of its unimproved value-One half-penny.
- 2. That in addition to any duty of land tax so payable there shall in the case of each such owner be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty a super-tax equal to five per centum of the amount of the duty of land tax so payable:

Provided that the minimum amount of tax and super-tax combined payable for the said year by any taxpayer assessed under the Land Tax Acts shall be Two shillings and sixpence.

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

- Ordered-That Mr. Hogan and Mr. Tunnecliffe do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
- 9. Land Tax Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
- 11. Developmental Railways Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 13. LICENSING (CONDUCT OF POLL) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY .- Ordered-That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 2 and Nos. 5 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after No. 12.
- 15. Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 5.
- 17. COAL MINES REGULATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
 - therein.
- 18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.
- 19. Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.—Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 6, and 8 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after No. 13.
- 21. Apprenticeship Bill.—Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 6, 8, and 9 be postponed until after No. 10.

- 23. PHILLIP ISLAND SHIRE BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 24. Postponement of Order of the Day. -Ordered-That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 6.
- 25. Public Account Advances Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
- 26. Dried Fruits Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time.
 - Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 27. Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired
 - therein.
- 28. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 and 9 be postponed until after No. 11.
- 29. Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill.-Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time. Ordered-That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
- 30. Motor Omnibus Licence-fees.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain licence-fees payable in respect of country motor omnibuses (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved—That the licence-fees payable in respect of country motor omnibuses being motor cars within the meaning of the Motor Car Act 1928 used or intended to be used for carrying passengers for reward at or at the rate of separate and distinct fares for each passenger (not being motor omnibuses within the meaning of Part I. of the Motor Omnibus Act 1928, and not being urban motor omnibuses within the meaning of Part II. of that Act), and whether the same are or are not licensed as hackney carriages or stage carriages under the Carriages Act 1928, or as carriages of any kind under any Act relating to local government shall be the appropriate licence-fees payable in accordance with the provisions of the Fourth Schedule to the Motor Omnibus Act 1928 for stage motor omnibuses or for touring motor omnibuses (as the case may be).

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

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

31. Motor Omnibus Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Twenty-one of the 'Motor Omnibus Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Motion made and question—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate-

The House divided.

Ayes, 26. Noes, 10. Mr. Allnutt Mr. Lind Mr. Angus Sir William McPherson Mr. Bailey Mr. McAdam Mr. Everard Mr. Pennington Mr. Bennett Mr. McKenzie Mr. Gray Colonel Bourchier Mr. Menzies Mr. Linton Tellers.Mr. Brownbill Mr. Old Mr. Maltby Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Cain Mr. Pollard Mr. Manifold Lieut.-Col. Knox Mr. Cleary Mr. Reid Mr. Cremean Mr. Satchell Mr. Dunstan Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Glowrey Mr. Webber Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Tellers. Mr. Jackson Mr. Frost Mr. Jewell Mr. Hayes And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock-

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Bill considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time.

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

32. Stamp Duties.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties (*Mr. Slater*)—put and agreed to. House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:—

Resolved—

1. That on and after the fifteenth day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty and until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, inclusive, there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors the several stamp duties hereinafter set forth or referred to upon and for the several instruments hereinafter set forth:—

Upon and for the several instruments specified in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928-

in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "I. Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes" included in the expression "Bill of Exchange payable on demand (cheque, &c.) ... 0 0 1"—

additional stamp duties equal in amount to the stamp duties specified with respect to such instruments, respectively, in the said Schedule (with the same exemptions with respect to the said instruments as in the said Schedule as amended by any Act).

2. That on and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty and until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, inclusive, there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors the several stamp duties hereinafter set forth or referred to upon and for the several instruments hereinafter set forth:—

Upon and for the several instruments specified in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928-

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in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "VIII. Lease, or agreement for a lease of any lands or tenements for any definite or indefinite term" included in the expression beginning "(1)

Where the consideration "and ending "£50 per annum .. 0 2 6 "—additional stamp duties equal in amount to the stamp duties specified with respect to such instruments, respectively, in the said Schedule (with the same exemptions with respect to the said instruments as in the said Schedule as amended by any Act).

3. That on and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty and until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, inclusive, there shall be charged under and subject to the *Stamps Act* 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors the several stamp duties hereinafter set forth or referred to upon and for the several instruments hereinafter set forth:—

Upon and for the several instruments specified in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928 in the heading "II. Receipt or Discharge given for or upon payment of money amounting to £2 or upwards" there shall be charged stamp duties as follows:—

£ s. d.

Receipt or Discharge given for or upon payment of money—

amounting to £2 and under £50 0 0 2

amounting to £50 and under £100 0 0 4

amounting to £100 or over £100 0 0 6

- 4. That on and after the twentieth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twentynine, where two or more instruments specified in paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) under the heading "IX. Settlement or Gift, Deed of" in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928 are executed by a donor or other person executing the same in respect of the same donee or donees or other person or persons benefiting by the same on the same day as or at any time within twelve months after the date of the execution of the first of such instruments, all such instruments shall be regarded as one instrument and shall be chargeable with stamp duty at the rate provided in the said Schedule on the aggregate sum (after deductions have been made pursuant to section eighty-two of the Principal Act) of the value of the property comprised in all such instruments.
- 5. That on and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon any instrument specified hereunder the duties specified hereunder:——
 - A. Share Certificate or other Document (not being a Document relating to a Transfer on Sale of Shares)—
 - (1) entitling any person to become the proprietor of any share or shares in any corporation company or society or proposed corporation company or society; or

(2) issued or delivered in Victoria and entitling any person to become the proprietor of any share or shares in any corporation company or society or proposed corporation company or society registered or established or proposed to be registered or established at some place outside Victoria-

Where the number of shares	 •			£	s.	d.
does not exceed 100	 		 	0	0	6
does not exceed $1,000$	 		 	0	1	0
does not exceed $2,000$	 		 	0	2	0
does not exceed $3,000$	 		 	0	3	0
does not exceed $4,000$	 		 	0	4	0
exceeds 4,000	 	٠		Õ	5	õ

Exemption-

Any share certificate or other document aforesaid issued by any mining company.

B. Transfer on Sale of Shares-

Upon the transfer on sale of any share or shares or of the right to any share or shares-

- (a) in any corporation company or society incorporated in Victoria or which being incorporated out of Victoria has a share register in Victoria, or in the capital stock or funded debt of any such corporation company or society; or
- (b) in the stocks or funds of any Government—

£ s. d. For every £10 and also for any fractional part of £10 of the consideration for the transfer 6 0

Exemptions-

Any transfer on sale of any share or shares in any mining company: and Any transfer on sale of stock, debentures or Treasury Bonds or Bills of the Government of the United Kingdom, or of the Commonwealth of Australia, or of Victoria, or of any other State of the said Commonwealth, or of any other part of the British dominions.

DIRECTION AS TO ISSUE OR ALLOTMENT OF SHARES-

Any instrument whereby a person entitled to have any shares issued or allotted to him by any corporation company or society directs the corporation company or society to issue any of such shares to any other person

Where the direction is given to effectuate a gift or voluntary disposition, the same duty as on a settlement or deed of gift of property; in other cases, the same duty as on a transfer on sale of shares.

And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House. Ordered—That Mr. Slater and Mr. Webber do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

33. STAMPS BILL.—Mr. Slater then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Stamp Duties"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Motion made and question-That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Slater)-put and, after debate-

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

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Mr. Allnutt Mr. Bailey Mr. Brownbill Mr. Cain Mr. Cleary Mr. Cook Mr. Cremean Mr. Dunstan Mr. Frost Mr. Glowrey Mr. Gray Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan	Mr. Jackson Mr. Jewell Mr. McAdam Mr. McKenzie Mr. Pollard Mr. Reid Mr. Satchell Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Angus Colonel Bourchier Mr. Everard LieutCol. Knox Mr. Lind Mr. Linton Mr. Maltby	Mr. Manifold Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Tellers. Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Pennington				
Mr. Holland	Mr. Lemmon	1					
And so it was resol	ved in the affirmative.						

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment;

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

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- 34. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—
 Electricity Supply Loans Application Bill.
 Licensing (Conduct of Poll) Bill.
- 35. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 36. Administration and Probate Duties.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain duties payable under Part VI. of the Administration and Probate Act 1928 (Mr. Slater)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Frost reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved—That in the case of any estate real or personal of any deceased person with respect to which a statement has pursuant to section one hundred and fifty-two of the Administration and Probate Act 1928 been filed on or after the date of the commencement of this Act or in the case of any settlement of property (whether real or personal or both) to be registered pursuant to section one hundred and seventy-seven of the first-mentioned Act on or after the said date, in addition to the duty payable thereon pursuant to Part VI. of the Administration and Probate Act 1928 and Part I. or Part III. (as the case may be) of the Tenth Schedule to the said Act, there shall be paid additional duty of an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of duty otherwise chargeable.

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

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

37. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—Mr. Slater then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to increase the Duties payable under Part. VI. of the 'Administration and Probate Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to, after debate.

Motion made and question—That this Bill be now read a third time (Mr. Slater)—put. The House divided.

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	Ayes, 22.	Noes, 12.				
Mr. Allnutt Mr. Bailey Mr. Brownbill Mr. Cain Mr. Cleary Mr. Dunstan Mr. Frost Mr. Glowrey Mr. Gray Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Jackson	Mr. Jewell Mr. McAdam Mr. McKenzie Mr. Pollard Mr. Reid Mr. Satchell Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Hjorth Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Angus Colonel Bourchier Mr. Everard Mr. Lind Mr. Linton Mr. Maltby Mr. Manifold	Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Mr. Pennington Tellers. Mr. Kent Hughes LieutCol. Knox			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read the third time.

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

38. Message from the Legislative Council.—Returning the Income Tax Bill and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting amendments.

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

39. Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.—Mr. Hogan, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Webber, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

40. Entertainments Tax.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the taxes upon payments for admission to entertainments (Mr. Tunnecliffe)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:—

Resolved—That there shall be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty and in aid of the consolidated revenue on all payments for admission to any entertainment (including any exhibition performance lecture amusement game or sport for admission to which

payment is made) an entertainments tax (subject to any exemptions provided by law) at the rates hereinafter set forth, that is to say:—

Payment for Admission (e Entert	g the amou ts Tax).	int of any	other	Rate of Tax.
Two shillings Exceeding two shillings	 	••	••	Two pence Two pence for the first two shillings and one half-penny for every sixpence or part of sixpence by which the payment exceeds two shillings

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

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

41. Entertainments Tax Bill.—Mr. Tunnecliffe then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Imposition of a Tax upon Payments for Admission to Entertainments"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time, after debate, and committed.

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.

42. Message from His Excellency the Governor—Entertainments Tax Bill.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Tunnecliffe, and the same was read:—

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Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of The Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Imposition of a Tax upon Payments for Admission to Entertainments.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1929.

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

43. Entertainment's Tax Bill.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 18.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:--

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the Imposition of a Tax upon Payments for Admission to Entertainments.

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

Bill considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

44: State Electricity Commission Bill.—Mr. Cain, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Tunnecliffe, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Construction of Tramways and the Management and Operation of Tramway Undertakings by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria in certain Areas and to authorize the Commission to borrow Moneys on Overdraft for a certain purpose and to amend the 'State Electricity Commission Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

Ordered-That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired

therein.

45. Message from the Legislative Council.—Returning the Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting an amendment.

And the said suggested amendment is as follows:—

Clause 4, omit this clause.

Motion made and question—That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council (Mr. Bailey)—put and agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Bailey the following consequential amendment was made in the Bill :-

In the Title, after "Nincteen" insert "and"; and after "Ninety-seven" omit "and Two hundred and three."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

46. Kew to Doncaster Electric Railway.—Motion made, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, by leave, and question—That the construction of a 5-ft. 3-in. gauge electrified railway from Kew to Doncaster be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report (Mr. Cain)—put and agreed to.

47. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 and 14 be postponed until Monday next.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the day be postponed until Monday next:—

Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.

Income Tax Bill—Amendments suggested by the Legislative Council—To be considered.

48. Adjournment.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next, at half-past Two o'clock (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

And then the House, at seven minutes past Seven o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Monday next.

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

MONDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1929.

- 1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. Elections and Qualifications Committee—Members Sworn.—Albert George Allnutt, Esquire, the Honorable Henry Angus, Colonel the Honorable Murray William James Bourchier, C.M.G., D.S O.. V.D., and Arthur Knight Wallace, Esquire, who had been appointed members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, took the Oath at the Table of the House, before the Clerk.
- 3. STAMP DUTIES ON BOOKMAKERS' LICENCES OR PERMITS AND ON BETTING TICKETS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties on bookmakers' licences or permits and on betting tickets (Mr. Tunnecliffe)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-

1. That there shall in respect of each and every year commencing on the first day of November and ending on the thirty-first day of October be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors in respect of every licence or permit hereinafter specified the duty hereinafter specified:—

BOOKMAKERS' LICENCES OR PERMITS— £ s. d. Any licence or permit issued to any bookmaker at any time by any promoter within the meaning of section one hundred and eleven of the *Police Offences Act* 1928 or any person with respect to sports within the meaning of the said section on any ground within the meaning of the said section in Victoria 2 0 0

Exemption-

- A bookmaker who in any period commencing on the first day of November in any year and ending on the thirty-first day of October in the next subsequent year has paid the duty upon any licence or permit with respect to any ground within the meaning of the said section one hundred and eleven for that year shall to the extent only of the duty so paid be exempt from payment of duty for that period upon any other licence or permit as aforesaid.
- 2. That there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon any betting ticket as hereinafter specified the duty hereinafter specified :—

Betting Tickets— \pounds s. d. Any betting ticket issued by a bookmaker on any ground within the meaning

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

Ordered—That Mr. Tunnecliffe and Mr. Lemmon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing

4. STAMPS (BETTING TAX) BILL.—Mr. Tunnecliffe then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

On the motion of Mr. Tunnecliffe the following amendment was made in this Bill:-

Clause 1, line 7, omit "1919" and insert "1929."

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

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5. Messages from the Legislative Council-

Agreeing to the Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill, including the amendment made by the Assembly which was suggested by the Council and the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the title, without amendment.

Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:-

Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill. Railway Loan Application Bill.

Developmental Railways Bill.

Public Account Advances Bill.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.

Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.

Dried Fruits Bill.

Land Tax Bill.

Country Roads Bill.

State Electricity Commission Bill.

- 6. Postponement of Orders of the Day. Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
- 7. Supply—Estimates for 1929-30.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolutions to be reported this day.

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

Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolutions:-

Resolved-That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1929-30 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

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		I.—CHIEF	SECR	ETARY.				
Division	ı No.						£	£
1.	Legislative Council		•••				532	-
	Legislative Assembly				•		5,411	
	Parliamentary Standing (•••	•••	395	
υ.	Legislative Council and L					•••	333	
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4.		•••	• • •	•••		• • •	893	
5.			•••	• • •	•••	• • •	949	
	Parliamentary Printing		•••	•••	•••	• • •	8,000	
	The Library, Parliament	House			•••	•••	1,574	
8.	Victorian Parliamentary	Debates	•••				$2,\!429$	
9.	Chief Secretary's Office	Salaries and C	ontinge	ncies			6,572	
10.		Miscellaneous					1,673	
11.		Pensions, Gra				•••	36,494	
12.	"	α .			01011, 100.		6,890	
	Board for the Protection				••	•••	4,724	
10.	Eurlasius	or the Aborigi	Hes	•••	•••	•••		
14.	Explosives	000 61.1	• • •		•••	• • •	3,757	
	State Accident Insurance			~		• • •	1,651	•
16.		,, Insur	ance of	State Em	ployees	• • •	6,015	
	Fisheries and Game	• • •		•••		• • •	3,287	•
18.	Government Shorthand W	7riter		•••	•••		802	
19.	The Governor's Office			• • •	•••		312	
2 0.	Inebriates Institution						2,398	
				•••	•••		2,212	
	Observatory Audit Office	•••	•••		• • •		4,774	
			•••	•••	•••	• • • •		
91	Government Statist Hospitals for the Insane	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	15,536	
24.	Children Wales Thank	· ·	•••	•••	•••	•••	214,234	
	Children's Welfare Depar		•••	•••	•••		200,685	
	Penal Establishments and		•••	• • •	•••	• • •	52,618	
27.	Police	•••				•••	318,598	
	Public Library, Museums,	, and Nationa	l Galler	y				
2 8.	Salaries and Miscellane	ous '				.	22,622	
28A	. Works and Buildings		•••	•••	•••	•••	1,504	
2 9.	Public Service Commission	ner					2,061	
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30.	Department of Labour	•••						16,043
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31.	Education—Salaries	•••				-	1,062,854	
32.	Contingonaica		neons	•••			138,250	
33.	Panaiona Cna	tuities Compo	mantion	e de c	•••	•••		
34.	Works and R	** **			•••	•••	23	
	,, works and be	anaings	•••		••	•••	8,947	
35.	Endowments a			•••	•••	• • •	47,929	
3 6.	" Exceptional	•••	• • •	•••		•••	217	
								1,258,220
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And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

8. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow:—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 15, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fourpence and a halfpenny."

2. ,, page 2, line 20, omit "Sevenpence" and insert "Fivepence and a halfpenny."

3. ,, page 2, line 24, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence and a halfpenny."

4. ,, page 2, line 28, omit "Ninepence" and insert "Sevenpence and a halfpenny."

5. ,, page 2, line 31, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence and a halfpenny."

6. ,, page 2, line 37, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Ninepence."

7. ,, page 3, line 5, omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Elevenpence."

8. ,, page 3, line 9, omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Thirteenpence."

9. ,, page 3, line 13, omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."

10. ,, page 3, lines 17-18, omit "Twentypence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

11. ,, page 4, line 25, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

12. ,, page 5, lines 4-5, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

Motion made and question—That this House do not make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

1	Ayes, 27.	1	Noes, 19.				
Mr. Bailey Mr. Brownbill Mr. Cain Mr. Cleary Mr. Cook Mr. Cotter Mr. Drakeford Mr. Dunstan LieutCol. Forrest Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Jewell Mr. Keane	Mr. Murphy Mr. Pollard Mr. Prendergast Mr. Reid Mr. Satchell Mr. Slater Mr. Solly Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Wallace Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Hjorth Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Allan Mr. Angus Mr. Coyle Mr. Everard Mr. Hyland Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lind Mr. Linton Mr. Macfarlan Mr. Mackrell Mr. Manifold	Mr. McDonald Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Mr. Old Mr. Toutcher Mr. Wettenhall Tellers. LieutCol. Knox Mr. Maltby				

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Suggested amendments not made.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

- 9. Elections and Qualifications Committee—Members Sworn.—John Joseph Holland, Esquire, and the Honorable Robert Gordon Menzies, who had been appointed members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, took the Oath at the Table of the House before the Clerk.
- 10. Papers.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—

Fisheries Acts.-Notice of Intention-

To restrict the Length of Mesh or Set Nets in the Port of Corner Inlet and Port Albert.

Re Long Lines in Port Phillip Bay.

To define the Mouth of Stony Creek at Lake Tyers.

To prohibit all Fishing in or the taking of Fish from the Macallister River above Glenmaggie Weir.

Poisons Acts.—Amendment of Second Schedule to the *Poisons Act* 1920.—Additional Dangerous Drugs proclaimed.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.—Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Agriculture.

11. Supply—Estimates for 1929-30.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock-

TUESDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1929.

Resolutions to be reported this day.

Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolutions:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1929-30 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Division No.							£	£
37. Attorney-General-					•••	••1	7 9, 097	
38. ,, 3 9. Solicitor-General	Pensions	s, Gratui	ties, Comp	ensation,	&c	•••	112	
Ja. Bollettor-General	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	• • •	45,270	124 470

V.—TREASURER.

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Division							£	£
4 0.	Treasury—Salaries and C	Contingencies	•••		•••	• • •	11,845	
41.	" Miscellaneous			•••	• • •		8,026	
42.	,, Transport, Sai					•••	4,150	
43.	" Unforeseen ar	nd Accidental	Expenditu	re			9 0 0	
44.		Railway Depai			•••		296,900	
45.	", Hospitals and				•••		150,075	
46.							2,940	
47.		tuities, Compe		c.	•••		45 0	
48.	" Exceptional						4,589	
49.	Premier's Office		•••				7,523	
	State Superannuation Bo	ard-Salaries,	Contingen	cies, and M	Liscellaneo	us	1,575	
51 .	",	Pensions	, Gratuitie	es, Compe	nsation, &	c.	28	
52 .	Taxation Office-Admini	stration	•••	•••	•••	• • •	1,111	
53.		Tax Branch	•••				11,980	
54.		ax Branch					18,004	
55.		Duties Branc	h	•••			1,577	
56.	Curator of Estates of Dec			•••	•••		2,47,7	
	Government Printer—Sa						57,600	
58.		scellaneous	•••	•••	•••		1,466	
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5 9.	Land Settlement-Salarie	es, Contingend	cies, and C	loser Sett	lement ${f Bo}$	ard	452,4 04	
60.							34,689	
61.	Botanic and Domain Gar	dens and Nati	onal Herb	arium			7,224	•
	Grants	•••					4,695	
63.	Works and Buildings	•••	•••		•••		1,100	
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	VII.—PUBLI	o wobka i	UTNES A	ND THE	ITCR ATT	ON		
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64.	Public Works-Salaries	and Contingen	cies			• • •	30,879	
65.	", ", Works a					• • •	236,281	
66.	" " Road We	orks and Bridg	ges				26,093	
67.		ents and Gran		palities, &c	;.		10,314	
68.	Ports and Harbours-Sa	laries and Con	tingencies	•••			15,076	
69.	", ", Wo	orks, &c.	••			• • •	$21,\!275$	
70.		ceptional	•••	•••	•••		1,210	
71.		•		•••		•••	12,700	
72.	Mines—Salaries and Con	tingencies					12,014	
73.	,, Miscellaneous	•••	•••	• • •			6,293	
74.	Immigration	•••			• • •		4,427	
								$376,\!562$
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75.	Forests Commission	••	• • •	• • •	• • •	• • •	•••	47,037
		IX.—WAT	ER SUP	PLY.				
76	State Rivers and Water							90,584
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77	Department of Agricultu	wa Administ	rativo				6,465	
11. 7×	Agriculture—Salaries, C	ontingencies a	nd Miscoll	aneous		••	29,265	
79.		et Sugar Factor			•••	•••	74,820	
	Horticulture		· <i>J</i>		•••		14,839	
	Grants	•••				· · · ·	1,467	
	Stock and Dairy	•••	•••		•••	•••	50,757	
&.s	Export Development and			•••			28,605	
	Marketing						302	
01.	markeonig	•••	•••	•••	•••			206,520
		XI.—PUB	TTO HE	TTH				_ , _
85.	Public Health—Salaries,	Contingencies	s, Infection	ıs Disease	s and Tub	er-	ma =	
		is, and Miscell	aneous	•••	•••	• • •	50,687	
86.	" " Grants		•••				5,487	PA
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	XII.—RA	ILWAYS A	ND STAT	E COAL	MINES.			
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89.	**		•••		•••	•••	6,298 319,004	
90.	State Coal Mines	•••	• • •	•••	•••	•••	319,004	4,461,362
					.1 **			1,101,002
And t	he said resolutions were r	ead a second t	ime and a	greed to b	y the Hou	se.		

12. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:-

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930, the sum of £8,649,911 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

- 13. Appropriation Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
- 14. Message from the Legislative Council.—Returning the Income Tax Bill and, on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time, again suggesting amendments.

 Ordered, after debate—That the said suggested amendments be taken into consideration this day.
- 15. Income Tax Bill—Free Conference with the Legislative Council on the subject-matter of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to continue the Income Tax Acts," and that the following Members be appointed Managers of the Conference, viz.:—Mr. Hogan, Mr. Tunnecliffe, Mr. Slater, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Cain, and Mr. Webber (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council desiring the said Conference.

16. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—

Entertainments Tax Bill.

Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.

Stamps (Betting Tax) Bill.

17. Message from the Legislative Council.—Returning the Administration and Probate Duties Bill and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting an amendment.

And the said suggested amendment is as follows:-

Clause 2, sub-clause (1), omit this sub-clause and insert-

- (1) In the case of any estate (whether real or personal or both) the net value of which is not less than Three thousand pounds of any deceased person with respect to which a statement has pursuant to section one hundred and fifty-two of the Principal Act been filed, on or after the date of the commencement of this Act, in addition to the duty payable thereon pursuant to Part VI. of the Principal Act and Part I. or Part II. (as the case may be) of the Tenth Schedule to the said Act there shall be paid additional duty of an amount equal to ten per centum of the difference between—
 - (a) the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable on such estate; and
 - (b) the total amount of the duty which would be otherwise chargeable on such an estate if the net value thereof were Three thousand pounds.
- (2) In the case of any settlement of property (whether real or personal or both) to be registered pursuant to section one hundred and seventy-seven of the Principal Act on or after the said date, in addition to the duty payable thereon pursuant to Part III. of the Tenth Schedule to the said Act there shall be paid additional duty of an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable.

Motion made and question proposed—That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications in sub-clause (1) of the said amendment:—

Lines 1 and 2, omit "the net value of which is not less than Three thousand pounds."

Lines 6-10, after "ten per centum of" omit all the words to the end of the sub-clause and insert "the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable" (Mr. Slater).

And, after debate—

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (Mr. Cain)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

18. Message from the Legislative Council.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have appointed seven members to confer with a like number of Members of the Assembly on the subject-matter of the amendments suggested by the Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to continue the Income Tax Acts," and naming the Legislative Council Committee Room as the place, and fixing five minutes past Three o'clock a.m. this day as the time, of meeting of the said Conference.

The Clerk read the names of the Honorable Members appointed as Managers for the Legislative Assembly, who thereupon proceeded to the place named for the meeting of the Conference.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at eight minutes past Three o'clock a.m., and resumed it at fifty minutes past Five o'clock a.m., when Mr. Hogan said—"I have to report that the managers for the Legislative Assembly met the managers for another place in conference, and that we exhaustively canvassed and discussed the points of difference between the two Houses regarding the means for raising additional revenue, together with every alternative proposition. The Conference agreed to the following methods of raising revenue, some of which we have agreed to already:

New taxation on betting to yield £24,000 for the full year; £12,000 for the half-year.

Entertainments tax to yield £170,000 for the full year; £70,000 for the half-year. Bills for the imposition of those two forms of taxation have been passed already by both Houses.

Probate duties to yield £110,000 for the full year; £55,000 for the half-year.

Stamp duty on cheques, $1\frac{1}{2}d$.; and compulsory receipts on documents purporting to be receipts. It is estimated that this will produce £50,000 for the full year; £25,000 for the half-year.

Mr. Glowrey.—That is, in respect of cheques and receipts combined.

Mr. Hogan.—Compulsory receipts will only be on documents purporting to be receipts.

Mr. Glowrey.—Are you going to let companies and other interests that are evading the law at present continue to do so?

Mr. Hogan.—No; companies issuing dockets in lieu of receipts and stating thereon that one can obtain a receipt will have to stamp such dockets.

Income tax, 1d. additional in the £1 on income derived from personal exertion; and 1d. in the £1 additional on income derived from property, and on income of companies. produce £173,000 for the full year, and £138,000 for the balance of this year.

This new taxation amounts to £527,000 for the full year, and £300,000 for the balance of this year.

The Conference also agreed that the totalizator should be established, and this is estimated to yield £125,000 per annum.

Mr. Linton.—But it will be two years before that becomes effective.

Mr. Hogan.—These items are in addition to the various other sums that have been already provided for, but they will not be sufficient to ensure enough revenue to permit of the balancing of the Budget. It is the most that the Government was able to obtain from the Conference.

Mr. Holland.—The Conference has not been in vain, anyhow.

Mr. Hogan.—No, but it was the desire of the Government to balance the ledger, to pay our debts. This arrangement will not enable that to be brought about, but it is the best that can be obtained. The Government submitted the necessary proposals to Parliament to enable the ledger to be balanced. This being the best we could get from the Conference, the Government has accepted it, and it recommends this House to accept it.

Mr. Prendergast.—There have been no alterations to the various exemptions?

Mr. Hogan.-No. The outcome of the Conference will involve the printing of a new Bill in connexion with the imposition of stamp duties. Instructions have been given to the Parliamentary Draftsman and to the Government Printer to prepare the Bill as speedily as possible. There will be little or no delay before the Houses are in a position to deal with it.

Mr. Lind.—What will be the amount of the deficiency in the finances of the State?

Mr. Hogan.—It is estimated that the deficiency will be £397,000.

Mr. Maltby.—Does the Government purpose bringing forward any other means of raising revenue beyond those that have been mentioned?

Mr. Hogan.-No; these were the whole of the means considered by the Conference on which we were able to come to an agreement.'

19. Administration and Probate Duties Bill.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question— That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications in sub-clause (1) of the said amendment (for suggested amendment see p. 37 ante) :-

Lines 1 and 2, omit "the net value of which is not less than Three thousand pounds."

Lines 6-10, after "ten per centum of" omit all the words to the end of the sub-clause and insert "the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable."

Debate resumed.

Question—put and agreed to.

Ordered-That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

20. MOTOR OMNIBUS LICENCE-FEES.-Motion made, by leave, and question-That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider licence-fees payable in respect of certain country motor omnibuses (Mr. Webber)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-That the licence-fees payable in respect of certain country motor omnibuses being light motor omnibuses, that is to say motor cars within the meaning of the Motor Car Act 1928 with seating capacity for not more than five passengers and used or intended to be used for carrying passengers for reward at separate and distinct fares for each passenger (not being motor omnibuses

within the meaning of Part I. of the *Motor Omnibus Act* 1928, and not being urban motor omnibuses within the meaning of Part II. of that Act), and whether the same are or are not licensed as hackney carriages or stage carriages under the *Carriages Act* 1928, or as carriages of any kind under any Act relating to local government shall, subject to the proviso to the Fourth Schedule to the *Motor Omnibus Act* 1928, be as follows:—

- (a) If the light motor omnibus is fitted with no tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee
 calculated at the rate of One pound for each passenger the light motor omnibus is
 licensed to carry;
- (b) If the light motor omnibus is fitted with any tire or tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee calculated at the rate of Two pounds for each passenger the light motor omnibus is licensed to carry.

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

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

21. Motor Omnibuse Bill (No. 2).—Mr. Webber then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Motor Omnibuses"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Motion made and question—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Webber)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

	Ayes, 23.	Noes, 7.
Mr. Bailey Mr. Brownbill Mr. Cleary Mr. Cook Mr. Cotter Mr. Cremean Mr. Everard Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Hyland Mr. Jewell	Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lind Mr. Menzies Mr. Pollard Mr. Satchell Mr. Slater Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Cain Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Gray LieutCol. Knox Mr. Manifold Sir William McPherson Mr. Toutcher Tellers. Mr. Linton Mr. Maltby

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

22. Income Tax Bill.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow:—

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1. Clause 2, page 2, line 15, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fourpence and a halfpenny."
                                                                , page 2, line 15, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fourpence and a halfpenny." page 2, line 20, omit "Sevenpence" and insert "Fivepence and a halfpenny." page 2, line 24, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence and a halfpenny." page 2, line 28, omit "Minepence" and insert "Sevenpence and a halfpenny." page 2, line 31, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence and a halfpenny." page 2, line 37, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Ninepence." page 3, line 5, omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Elevenpence." page 3, line 9, omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Thirteenpence." page 3, line 13, omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence." page 3, lines 17–18, omit "Twentypence" and insert "Seventeenpence." page 4, line 25, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence." page 4, line 34, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence." page 5, lines 4–5, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."
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Motion made and question—That this House do make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications:—

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Amendment No. 1—Omit "Fourpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Fivepence."

2—Omit "Fivepence and a halfpenny" and insert "Sixpence."

3—Omit "Sixpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Sevenpence."

4—Omit "Sevenpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Eightpence."

5—Omit "Eightpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Ninepence."

6—Omit "Ninepence" and insert "Tenpence."

7—Omit "Elevenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."

8—Omit "Thirteenpence" and insert "Fourteenpence."

9—Omit "Fifteenpence" and insert "Sixteenpence."

10—Omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Eighteenpence."
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Amendment No. 11—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence." 12—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence." 13—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence."
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-(Mr. Hogan)—put.

The House divided.

	Ayes, 14.	Noes	, 9.
Mr. Bailey Mr. Brownbill Mr. Cleary Mr. Cremean Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Jewell	Mr. Pollard Mr. Satchell Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Hayes Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Everard Mr. Linton Mr. Mackrell Mr. Maltby Mr. Manifold Sir William McPherson	Mr. Toutcher Tellers. Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Menzies

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

23. Appropriation Bill.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Hogan).

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the word "That" be omitted with a view of inserting the following words:—"this House declines to read the Bill a second time until an assurance is given that the Government will arrange for Parliament to meet during the early part of February for the purpose of dealing with—

- (a) the home-maintenance areas for soldier settlers;
- (b) Marketing Bill;
- (c) Public Service Bill;
- (d) Rural Bank Bill;
- (e) other necessary legislation which the House has been unable to deal with during the present Session of Parliament" (Mr. Linton)—and, after debate, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment. Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time this day.

24. Stamp Duties.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain Stamp Duties (Mr. Slater)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution:-

Resolved-

1. That on and after the fifteenth day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty and until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, inclusive, there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors the several stamp duties hereinafter set forth or referred to upon and for the several instruments hereinafter set forth:—

Upon and for the several instruments specified in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928—

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in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "I. Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes" included in the expression "Bill of Exchange payable on demand (cheque, &c.) ... 0 0 1"—
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additional stamp duties equal in amount to one-half of the stamp duties specified with respect to such instruments, respectively, in the said Schedule (with the same exemptions with respect to the said instruments as in the said Schedule as amended by any Act).

2. That on and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty and until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, inclusive, there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors the several stamp duties hereinafter set forth or referred to upon and for the several instruments hereinafter set forth:—

Upon and for the several instruments specified in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928—

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in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "VIII. Lease, or agreement for a lease of any lands or tenements for any definite or indefinite term" included in the expression beginning "(1)

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additional stamp duties equal in amount to the stamp duties specified with respect to such instruments, respectively, in the said Schedule (with the same exemptions with respect to the said instruments as in the said Schedule as amended by any Act).

3. That on and after the twentieth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twentynine, where two or more instruments specified in paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) under the heading "IX. Settlement or Gift, Deed of" in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928 are executed by a donor or other person executing the same in respect of the same done or donees or other person or persons benefiting by the same on the same day as or at any time within twelve months after the date of the execution of the first of such instruments, all such instruments shall be regarded as one instrument and shall be chargeable with stamp duty at the rate provided in the said Schedule on the aggregate sum (after deductions have been made pursuant to section eighty-two of the Principal Act) of the value of the property comprised in all such instruments.

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

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

25. Stamps Bill (No. 2).—Mr. Slater then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Stamp Duties"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Motion made and question—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Slater)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 8.		
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Everard	Mr. Menzies	
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Linton		
Mr. Cain	Mr. Satchell	Mr. Maltby	Tellers.	
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Manifold	Mr. Kent Hughes	
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Webber	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Toutcher	
Mr. Glowrey			_	
Mr. Gray	Tellers.			
Mr. Hayes	1 ellers.			
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Hjorth			
Mr. Holland	Mr. Lemmon	Ì		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time.

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

- 26. Appropriation Bill.—Read the third time, after debate.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
- 27. Messages from the Legislative Council-

Agreeing to the Motor Omnibus Bill (No. 2) without amendment.

Acquainting the Assembly that they have agreed to the Income Tax Bill, including the amendments suggested by the Council as modified and made by the Assembly, without amendment.

Acquainting the Assembly that they have agreed to the Administration and Probate Duties Bill, including the amendment suggested by the Council as modified and made by the Assembly, without amendment.

- 28. Adjournment.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday 15th January next (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
- 29. Messages from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—Stamps Bill (No. 2).
 Appropriation Bill.

And then the House, at forty minutes past Ten o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Wednesday, 15th January next.

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.

SECOND SESSION 1929.

MESSAGES RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION.

ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.

The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were received after the adjournment of the House on the 24th December, 1929:—

SOMERS.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 19.

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

"An Act relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 24th December, 1929.

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 20.

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

- "An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria."
- "An Act relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of Undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company Limited and for other purposes."
- "An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money."
- "An Act relating to the Area of the Metropolis under the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1928."
- "An Act to amend Sub-section (2) of Section Twenty-six of the 'Apprenticeship Act 1928.'
- "An Act to amend the 'Phillip Island Shire Act 1928."
- "An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria."
- "An Act to amend Section Three hundred and four of the 'Licensing Act 1928."
- "An Act to amend Sections Nineteen and One hundred and ninety-seven of the 'Closer Settlement Act 1928.'"
- "An Act to enable Advances to be made on certain Terms to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes."
- "An Act to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the 'Transfer of Land Act 1928."
- "An Act to provide for the Payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Net Surplus Profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty."
- "An Act to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts."
- "An Act to authorize the Temporary Application out of the Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers' Settlement Fund."
- "An Act to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds out of The Developmental Railways Account."
- "An Act to amend Section Seventeen of the 'Dried Fruits Act 1928' and to continue in force the Dried Fruits Acts."
- "An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty."
- "An Act to provide for the Exchange of certain Crown Land in the Township of Korumburra temporarily reserved as a Site for a Public Park for certain other Land in the Parish of Korumburra and for other purposes."

- "An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes."
- "An Act to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Stamp Duties."
- "An Act to increase the Duties payable under Part VI. of the 'Administration and Probate Act 1928."
- "An Act relating to Motor Omnibuses."
- "An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to continue the Income Tax Acts."
- "An Act to provide for the Imposition of a Tax upon Payments for Admission to Entertainments."
- "An Act for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes."
- "An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners."
- "An Act to provide for the Construction of Tramways and the Management and Operation of Tramway Undertakings by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria in certain Areas and to authorize the Commission to borrow Moneys on Overdraft for a certain purpose and to amend the 'State Electricity Commission Act 1928.'"
- "An Act relating to Payment of an Amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 30th December, 1929.

SOMERS,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 21.

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

"An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament."

Government Offices, Melbourne, 7th January, 1930.



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency the Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Wednesday, the fifteenth day of January, 1930:

Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 1930.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this thirteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty, and in the twentieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

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SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

SELECT COMMITTEES.

SECOND SESSION 1929.

1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 17th December, 1929.)

Mr. Allnutt,
Mr. Angus,
Mr. MeKenzie,
Mr. Menzies,
Colonel Bourchier,
Mr. Wallace.
Mr. Holland,

2.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (Joint).

(Appointed 18th December, 1929.)

Mr. Cook, Mr. Dunstan, Mr. Lind.

3.—LIBRARY (Joint).

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker,
Dr. Argyle,
Mr. Slater.
Mr. Holland,

4.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Allan,
Mr. Angus,
Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Cain,
Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Linton,
Sir William McPherson,
Mr. Old,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Beardmore,
Colonel Bourchier,
Mr. Coyle,
Mr. Cremean,
Mr. Frost,
Mr. Jackson,
Lieut.-Col. Knox,
Mr. Linton,
Mr. Linton,
Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Murphy.

6.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Bond,
Mr. Everard,
Lieut.-Col. Forrest,
Mr. Holland,
Mr. Mackrell,
Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Murphy.

7.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Macfarlan, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Slater, Mr. Wettenhall.

8.—HOUSE (Joint).

(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Allan, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Cleary, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jewell.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION 1929.

No. 1.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 21ST DECEMBER, 1929.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 1.—Cultivation Advances Bill—Clause 2.

- (1) In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter-
 - (a) "Board" means the Board of Land and Works;
 - "Crop" means the following crops sown for any purpose whatsoever and growing or not harvested, namely—Wheat or oats or "barley";

-(Mr. Bailey.)

Amendment proposed—That after the word "barley," in line 4, the words "or potatoes or onions or maize or beans" be added.—(Mr. Hyland.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes,	23.	Noe	s, 26.	
Mr. Allan Mr. Angus Dr. Argyle Mr. Bennett Colonel Bourchier Mr. Coyle Mr. Diffey Mr. Downward	Mr. McKenzie Mr. McLachlan Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Mr. Moncur Mr. Old Mr. Pennington Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Allnutt Mr. Bailey Mr. Blackburn Mr. Bond Mr. Cain Mr. Cleary Mr. Cook Mr. Cotter	Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr.	Holland Jackson Jewell Keane McAdam Pollard Prendergast Satchell
Mr. Hyland Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lind Mr. Mackrell Mr. Manifold	Tellers. LieutCol. Knox Mr. Linton	Mr. Drakeford Mr. Dunstan Lieut-Col. Forrest Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan	Mr.	Slater Webber Tellers. Hjorth Lemmon

And so it passed in the negative.

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FRIDAY (MORNING), 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 2.—Supply—Estimates for 1929-30.

Motion made and question put-That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1929-30 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

DIVISION No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The sum of £532.—(Mr. Tunnecliffe.)

Committee divided.

Committee aivided.		N_{cos} 13		
$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}$ es, 20 .		Noes, 13.		
Mr. Allnutt Mr. Bailey Mr. Cook LieutCol. Forrest Mr. Frost Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Jewell Mr. Keane	Mr. McAdam Mr. McKenzie Mr. Murphy Mr. Pollard Mr. Satchell Mr. Slater Mr. Webber Tellers. Mr. Hjorth Mr. Lemmon ed in the affirmative.	Mr. Allan Mr. Angus Mr. Diffey Mr. Gray Mr. Hyland LieutCol. Knox Mr. Mackrell Mr. Manifold	Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Mr. Moncur Tellers. Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Pennington	
And so it was resolv	ou in the amenation			

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 3.-Ways and Means-Income Tax.-Resolution.

That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):-

- (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion-
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred poundsfor every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Sevenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred

pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Eightpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Ninepence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Tenpence;

- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property-
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twelvepence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred poundsfor every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred

pounds, Fourteenpence; for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixteenpence:

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Eighteenpence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Twentypence;

- (c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:
 - (i) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand

an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(ii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds—

an amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the total

amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(iii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—

an amount equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of tax

otherwise chargeable;

(iv) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds—

an amount equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of

tax otherwise chargeable; and

(v) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—

an amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twenty-one pence;

(e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company-

- (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and
- (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this resolution, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvepence and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Twenty-one pence:

Provided further that where any person (not) being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of this resolution the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.

Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this resolution, where a person would, apart from this provision of this resolution, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.

--(Mr. Hogan.)

Question—That this resolution be agreed to—put. Committee divided.

	Ayes, 23.	N	oes, 16.
Mr. Bailey Mr. Bond Mr. Cain Mr. Cleary Mr. Cook Mr. Cremean Mr. Dunstan Mr. Frost Mr. Glowrey	Mr. McAdam Mr. McKenzie Mr. Prendergast Mr. Reid Mr. Satchell Mr. Solly Mr. Tunnecliffe Mr. Webber	Dr. Argyle Colonel Bourchier Mr. Coyle Mr. Diffey Mr. Everard Mr. Gray Mr. Hyland Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lind	Mr. Linton Mr. Macfarlan Mr. Manifold Sir William McPherson Mr. Old Tellers. Mr. Maltby Mr. Pennington
Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Jewell	<i>Tellers.</i> Mr. Hjorth Mr. Lemmon		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—Income Tax Bill—Clause 2.

- (1) The rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty are hereby "declared to be" as follows (that is to say):—
 - (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred
 pounds, Sevenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Eightpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Ninepence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Tenpence;

- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twelvepence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds-

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixteenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Eighteenpence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Twenty-pence;

- (c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:—-
 - (i) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—

an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(ii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds—

an amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(iii) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—

an amount equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

(iv) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds—

an amount equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable; and

(v) Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—

an amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

- (d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twenty-one pence;
- (e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company-
 - (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and
 (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable
 - (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this section, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvepence and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Twenty-one pence:

Provided further that where any person (not being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of this section the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in the last preceding sub-section of this section, where a person would, apart from this sub-section, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings, the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.

(3) The annual period for which assessments shall be made for the purposes of charging levying collecting and paying the duties of income tax the rates of which are declared by this section shall commence as on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

--(Mr. Hogan.)

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the words "declared to be," in line 4 of sub-section (1), to the end of the clause be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "the same as levied for the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine."—(Sir William McPherson.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 25 .	Noes, 21.	
Mr. Allnutt Mr. Bailey Mr. McKenzie Mr. Cain Mr. Murphy Mr. Cleary Mr. Prendergast Mr. Cook Mr. Satchell Mr. Cremean Mr. Slater Mr. Dunstan LieutCol. Forrest Mr. Glowrey Mr. Hayes Mr. Hogan Mr. Holland Mr. Jewell Mr. Keane Mr. Lemmon And so it was resolved in the affirmative.	Mr. Allan Mr. Angus Dr. Argyle Colonel Bourchier Mr. Coyle Mr. Diffey Mr. Downward Mr. Everard Mr. Gray LieutCol. Knox Mr. Linton Mr. Macfarlan	Mr. Mackrell Mr. Manifold Mr. McDonald Sir William McPherson Mr. Menzies Mr. Moncur Mr. Old Tellers. Mr. Maltby Mr. Pennington

SATURDAY (MORNING), 21st DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 5.—Entertainments Tax Bill.—Schedule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Payment for Admission (excluding the amount of any Tax under this Act or any Entertainments Tax under any Commonwealth Act).		Rate of Tax.		
Two shillings		Twopence		
Exceeding two shillings Twopence for the first two shillings and one halfpenny for sixpence or part of sixpence by which the payment excesshillings			d one halfpenny for every h the payment exceeds two	
Question—That	the Schedule	be the Schedule t	o the Bill—put.	—(Mr. Tunnecliffe.)
	Ayes, 21.		N	oes, 13.
Mr. Allnutt	Mr. Mc.	Adam	Mr. Angus	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Mc	Kenzie	Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pol	lard	Mr. Everard	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Cleary	Mr. Re	id	Mr. Gray	8
Mr. Cook	Mr. Sat		LieutCol. Knox	Tellers.
Mr. Dunstan		nnecliffe	Mr. Lind	
Mr. Frost	Mr. We	bber	Mr. Linton	Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Glowrey			Mr. Manifold	Mr. Maltby
Mr. Hayes	Tet	llers.		•
Mr. Hogan	36 771			
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Hje			•
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Ler	nmon		

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION 1929.

No. 2,

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 24TH DECEMBER, 1929.

TUESDAY (MORNING), 24TH DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 1.—Motor Omnibus Bill (No. 2)—Clause 6.

A licence for a light motor omnibus shall authorize the motor omnibus for which it is granted to operate anywhere in Victoria except upon the following routes:—

Prince's Highway (between Melbourne and Warrnambool), Prince's Highway (between "Pakenham" and Bairnsdale), Western Highway (between Melbourne and Horsham), Hume Highway (between Melbourne and Wodonga), and Calder Highway (between Melbourne and Bendigo):

Provided that if the Board is satisfied that any light motor omnibus has during the period of three months ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine operated regularly upon any of such routes the Board may subject to and in accordance with the last preceding section grant a licence for such light motor omnibus so as to authorize such light motor omnibus to operate also upon such route until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty and no longer.—(Mr. Webber.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Pakenham," in line 4, be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "Melbourne."—(Mr. Lind.)

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

Committee divided.

A	Ayes, 20.	Noes, 7.
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Maltby	Mr. Cleary
Mr. Cain	Mr. Manifold	Mr. Linton
Mr. Cotter	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Cremean	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Everard	Mr. Satchell	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Gray	Mr. Tunnecliffe	
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Webber	
Mr. Holland		Tellers.
Mr. Jewell	Tellers.	
Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Glowrey
LieutCol. Knox	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Lind

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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