

VICTORIA.



NOTICES

OF

RESOLUTIONS

AND

ORDERS

OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

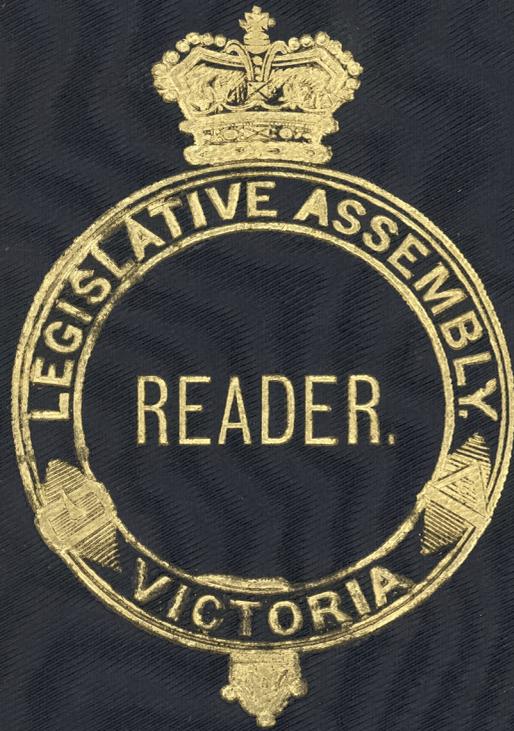
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VICTORIA.

SESSION

1896.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Assembly

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH JUNE, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOX: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health if his attention has been called to the decision given recently by his Honour Mr. Justice Hodges *in re* compulsory vaccination, and whether, as a result thereof, in the opinion of the Government, it is desirable that any amendment should be made in the Act.
2. SIR JOHN MCINTYRE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if his attention has been directed to the large areas of land that are being applied for under the Mining on Private Property Acts in the Maldon, Maryborough, and neighbouring districts, and if he will take care that leases for no larger areas will issue under those Acts than are allowed for mining on Crown lands.
3. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been called to the tick plague now raging among cattle in Queensland, and to ask what steps the Government has taken with a view to preventing its introduction into this colony.
4. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. If his attention has been called to the recent cases of wholesale wheat-stealing at Numurkah, whereby a number of farmers lost upwards of 5,000 bags of wheat.
 2. Does he consider the present law relating to the storage of agricultural produce sufficient to protect farmers; if so, how is it that the offenders in the cases referred to have escaped punishment.
 3. If the law is defective, will he take steps to have it amended during the present Session, so as to prevent a repetition of such robberies.
5. MR. GRATTAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he intends to at once institute searching inquiries into the truthfulness or otherwise of alleged wholesale smuggling of live stock, and for which the "permit" system is said to be responsible.
6. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture, in view of the large and valuable dairy herds in Victoria which it would take years to replace, what action he intends to take, by legislation or otherwise, to secure Victoria from any risk of the introduction of the "tick" scourge.
7. MR. ROGERS: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will place a sum of money on the Estimates for the family of the late Mr. Winter, M.L.A.
8. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Is it a fact that two railway free passes from the 15th June to 15th July have been sent with the compliments of the Secretary for Railways to each Member of Parliament.
 2. Will the Minister, if this is a fact, state by whose direction this was done—whether it was in accordance with previous regulations and precedents, or by his own directions, or by the authority of the Victorian Railways Commissioners, or by the courtesy of the Secretary for Railways.
9. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will bring in a Bill to extend the hours of polling for municipal elections in time for the elections in August next.
10. MR. DUGGAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it is his intention, as an adjunct to the sewing classes now established for boys in the State schools, to take into his serious consideration the necessity of also establishing washing, scrubbing, and laundry classes for boys.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence):—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KIRTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House special provision should be made for the aged poor by means of State-aided pensions or insurance.
2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890.*
3. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation of servants' registry offices.

4. MR. GRATTAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of dealing with the disposal of the Shepparton Race-course.
5. MR. MADDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the adulteration of seeds and to regulate the sale thereof.
6. MR. GRATTAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.
7. MR. HANCOCK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1890*, with a view to legalizing certain art unions.
8. MR. DUGGAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claim of Andrew O'Keefe, in respect to certain monetary claims made by the said Andrew O'Keefe, in connexion with the construction of the Laanecoorie Weir, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Craven, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Styles, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
9. MR. IRVINE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen.
10. MR. GRAY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*.
11. MR. MCGREGOR : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.
12. MR. WEBB : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain land at Tatura.
13. MR. KIRTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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

WEDNESDAY, 1ST JULY.

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 1. If the owners of houses will have to pay immediately, by instalments, or how, for the connexion with the underground system of sewerage.
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1. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Alfred Goddard, late a sorter in the General Post Office, such Committee to consist of Mr. Gray, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Salmon, Mr. E. D. Williams, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 24th June.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD JUNE, 1896.

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

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 2.

THURSDAY, 25TH JUNE, 1896.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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

On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business:

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

General Business:

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

On the alternate Wednesday—

General Business:

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

Private Bill Business:

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

4. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graves, Mr. Mason, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Vale, and Mr. Wheeler; five to be the quorum.
5. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Madden, and Mr. Shiels.
6. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graham, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Taverner, and Mr. Webb.
7. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Rawson, and Mr. Zox; three to be the quorum.
8. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Austin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Wilkins.

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9. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Carter, Mr. Deakin, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. Shiels, Mr. R. Murray Smith, and Mr. T. Smith; three to be the quorum.
 10. MR. PEACOCK: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1890* and for other purposes.
 11. MR. KIRTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House special provision should be made for the aged poor by means of State-aided pensions or insurance.
 12. MR. DUGGAN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claim of Andrew O'Keefe, in respect to certain monetary claims made by the said Andrew O'Keefe, in connexion with the construction of the Laanecoorie Weir, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Craven, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Styles, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
 13. MR. GRAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*.
 14. MR. KIRTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.
 15. MR. WHEELER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.
 16. MR. SALMON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Dog Act 1890*.
 17. MR. ZOX: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the transfer of certain reserved land in the City of Melbourne from the Victorian Horticultural Improvement Society to the Grand United Order of Free Gardeners of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 1)—Second reading.
3. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
4. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
5. SEEDS ADULTERATION AND SALE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. ART UNIONS BILL—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
10. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
11. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY; 30TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government during the present Session to introduce a Bill for the purpose of adopting the Referendum.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the telegraph office at present located at the back of Parliament House will be removed to the front of the building for the convenience of Members.
3. MR. STERRY: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether it is his intention to discontinue the percentage reductions to all the lower-paid men in the Railway Department—say, on all salaries up to £200—after the end of the present financial year.
4. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to several recent vexatious law suits in connexion with the drainage of water from agricultural lands and roads, and does he intend to deal with the question this Session.
5. MR. PRENDERGAST: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If his attention has been called to a letter signed "Anti-Sweater," in the *Age* newspaper of the 24th inst., under the heading "Railway 'Boys' Wages," containing statements to the following effect:—That when the attention of the Railways Commissioners was called to an assertion made at a meeting of railway employes, that men were working for 2s. 6d. per day, they admitted that 40 men were working on boys' work 5½ days per week for 2s. 6d. per day; also, that there were casual hands waiting to be drafted into the service; and further, that the 40 men were doing precisely the same class of work as men paid 6s. per day, namely, pulling out at the circular-saw bench, acting as strikers to blacksmiths, and as boilermakers' assistants.
 2. Will he see that the men referred to receive fair wages, and thus remove the possible stigma of sweating from a great State Department.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 1st JULY.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 30th June.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at a quarter to three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH JUNE, 1896.

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

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Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill—[3].

Regulations with respect to Applications for Orders authorizing the Supply of Electricity, &c. No. 22.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 3.

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5. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways is it his intention to remit to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report any other line of railway before the line from Rupanyup to Marnoo, remitted to the Committee last Session, has been reported upon to this House.
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7. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state—
 1. How many railway carriages are there now awaiting general repairs.
 2. How many of those awaiting repairs have been running three years and over.
 3. How many trucks are awaiting repairs.

Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND BILL—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 1)—Second reading.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH JUNE, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 3.
 Warrnambool Waterworks Trust.—Application for additional Loan of £500. No. 3.
 Post Office Savings Bank.—Statement of Accounts for the year 1895. No. 7.
 Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Regulations for securing the Safety of the Public. No. 24.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 4.

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2. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the pledges given at the last general election, it is his intention to bring in a Bill this Session dealing with the question of reducing the number of Members of Parliament.
3. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if steps will be taken to open the saw-mills siding at Burke's Hill, near Violet Town, in response to a largely-signed petition of residents and 35 saw-millers' labourers.
4. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he observed a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper of Saturday, 27th June last, referring to the rabbit pest on the Metropolitan Farm, Werribee, and if he will communicate with that body and request that prompt measures be adopted to cope with the evil.
5. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has taken any action as to the appointment of a colonial Judge as a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council ; and, if not, will he permit this House to express its opinion thereon.
6. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in view of the very high price charged in the colony for wire netting, he will assist the farmers by purchasing, on behalf of the municipalities applying for assistance under the provisions of the *Vermin-proof Fences Advances Act 1896*, a consignment of wire netting in the London market.
7. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Solicitor-General)—
 1. Whether in view of the letter which has been written by the Secretary for the Law Department to Mr. Lormer, J.P., informing him that it is most desirable that he should refrain from adjudicating as a magistrate in a certain class of police court cases connected with the liquor trade, the public are to infer that it is the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown that all magistrates who are total abstainers are necessarily biased and unfit to adjudicate in such cases.
 2. Is there any evidence to show that Mr. Lormer has given unfair or improper decisions in such cases because of his alleged bias or prejudice.
 3. Is there any doubt in the minds of the Law Officers of the Crown as to whether the numerous magistrates who are interested in the liquor trade by being wine and spirit merchants, licensed grocers, owners of hotel property, brewery shares, and the like, may not be biased or prejudiced in adjudicating in the class of cases referred to.
 4. Has the Executive a right to direct magistrates as to what class of cases they shall or shall not adjudicate in.

8. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether his attention has been directed to the formation of clubs for the destruction of sparrows in various parts of the colony; and, if so, will the Government co-operate with these bodies by subsidizing their revenues, or by granting aid to the agricultural societies or municipal councils for the purpose of assisting these bodies to keep down the pest.
9. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. If it is not a fact that frequent cases of perjury have been occasioned by the exercise of the right conferred by the *Crimes Act* 1891 upon persons charged with an offence, to give evidence on their own behalf.
 2. If he can state about how many such cases of perjury are known to have occurred.
 3. Does he not consider it most desirable that the right conferred under the Act should be abolished.
10. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will inform the House when he intends to bring in a Bill to amend the Mines Acts, and when he will circulate the same.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
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5. MR. COOK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria.
6. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the adoption of the Referendum.
7. MR. BENNETT : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the correspondence in 1889 and 1896 between the Crown Law Department and Dr. Stewart, of South Melbourne, in reference to certain honorary magistrates making use of their position as councillors in cancelling sentences.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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11. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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13. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. T. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Alfred Goddard, late a sorter in the General Post Office, such Committee to consist of Mr. Gray, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Salmon, Mr. E. D. Williams, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 25TH JUNE, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 1 and 2.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 1, 2, and 3.

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

Factories and Shops Bill—[18]. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Companies Bill—[19].

Adulteration of Seeds Bill—[28].

Horticultural Improvement Society Land Bill—[35].

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1895. No. 8.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms and Shops for the year 1895. No. 11.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Fourth General Report. No. 13.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1895. No. 15.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

THURSDAY, 2ND JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
3. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 7TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he can inform the House—
 1. If the owners of houses will have to pay immediately, by instalments, or how, for the connexion with the underground system of sewerage.
 2. What will be the charge for each connexion.
2. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether his attention has been directed to the formation of clubs for the destruction of sparrows in various parts of the colony; and, if so, will the Government co-operate with these bodies by subsidizing their revenues, or by granting aid to the agricultural societies or municipal councils for the purpose of assisting these bodies to keep down the pest.
3. MR. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he is aware of the existence in large numbers of white ants at Ascot Vale and the neighbourhood, and if he will take steps to prevent their increase.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY.

General Business (to take precedence).

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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Second reading.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 8th July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
LIBRARY (JOINT)—at a quarter to three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1ST JULY, 1896.

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

Friendly Societies' Art Unions Bill—[31].

Municipal Electors Bill—[36].

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1895, to 31st December, 1895. No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

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9. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, with regard to the Valedictory Report of the Acting Victorian Railways Commissioners presented by him on Wednesday last to this House, if he will say upon what money terms with the State these gentlemen have made their farewell.
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11. MR. HIGGINS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether it is his intention to bring in a Bill for the purpose of extending the provisions of the *Fences Act 1890* to wire netting against rabbits.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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General Business (to take precedence).

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 8th July.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND JULY, 1896.

Life Assurance Companies Bill—[17].

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

Local Government Elections Bill—[33].

Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[37].

Annual Report on British New Guinea, from 1st July, 1894, to 30th June, 1895; with Appendices No. 14.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. LEVIEN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary will he take such steps as may be necessary to afford persons who have served under the *Defences and Discipline Act 1890* the necessary facilities for examination in order that they may qualify themselves for appointment to the non-clerical division of the Public Service.
2. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will make such regulations as will provide for the payment of compensation to any persons leaving the Public Service on the date of retirement, instead of delaying the payment for several months as is at present frequently the case.
3. **MR. O'NEILL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will bring in a Bill for the purpose of leasing all Government roads that are not used for public traffic, or otherwise make regulations whereby occupiers of such roads will be compelled to pay fees for the use and occupation of such roads.
4. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the minimum rate of wage and eight hours per day clauses are inserted in the specifications of contracts for tenders in the Railway Department.
5. **MR. BAKER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it a fact that selectors who take up heavy forest land under section 42 of the *Land Act 1890*, and who of necessity are compelled to kill the timber in order to comply with the improvement covenants of their licences, are not allowed to sell any of the timber without first paying heavy licence-fees for the privilege of felling, hauling, sawing, or splitting the timber on their own land, whereas they are at liberty to kill and burn it without limit.
 2. Is he aware of any instances in which selectors have had to pay from £40 to £60 per annum in licence-fees for saw-mills, fallers, and jinkers while using only the timber on their own selections where it was necessary to destroy the timber before the land could be cultivated or even made fit for growing grass.
 3. If so, will he take steps to remove this impediment to the prosperity of the settlers.
6. **MR. KIRTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. Is it a fact that certain young men who possess theoretical knowledge only have recently been appointed assistant inspectors of mines.
 2. Does he not think it absolutely necessary that men who fill such positions should possess practical knowledge.
7. **MR. LONGMORE** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether the Crown Law officers have issued any special instructions to Mr. Nicolson, P.M., as Chairman of the City District Court, with a view of preventing scenes in that court which bring the administration of justice into contempt in this colony.

8. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if it is a fact that growers of flax who have complied with the instructions of the Department of Agriculture in harvesting the flax crop have not received the bonus ; and, if so, what is the reason thereof.
9. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply whether he will cause the Report of the Waterworks Inquiry Board to be laid on the Table of the House.
10. MR. DOWNWARD : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the condition of paying the minimum wage is being observed by the companies who have the contract for supplying the coal to the Railway Department.
11. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. If private individuals are being supplied with road metal from the Melbourne and Pentridge prisons.
 2. If so, under what conditions and at what price is the metal supplied.
12. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Yarra improvement works will be carried out under the butty-gang system, or by the method of registration through the Railway Department.
13. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. Is it a fact that this year foresters gazetted as Crown lands bailiffs, and who receive no remuneration for that work, are compelled to pay out of their own pockets for a guarantee policy.
 2. Is it a fact that Crown lands bailiffs receive £60 a year allowance, while those who combine the office of forester and Crown lands bailiff receive only £50.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR ROGERS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of classified positions (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) in the teachers branch of the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
 2. The number of classified teachers (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) employed by the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
 3. (a) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results £500 and upwards for year ending 30th June, 1896.
 - (b) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £450 and £500 for year ending 30th June, 1896.
 - (c) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £400 and £450 for year ending 30th June, 1896.
 - (d) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £350 and £400 for year ending 30th June, 1896.
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(Percentage deductions to be included as received.)

 4. The number of "First Appointments" made to the Classified Roll of Teachers during the year ended 30th June, 1896.
 5. The number of pupil teachers acting temporarily as classified teachers on the 30th June, 1896.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of block-holders in the mallee who have got authority to subdivide their blocks for settlement.
 2. The areas of such land so authorized to be subdivided.
 3. The date at which such authority was given.

General Business (to take precedence).

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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Second reading.
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16. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. T. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the petition presented to the Law Department praying for the release from prison of C. R. Staples.
2. **MR. GRAHAM** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for taking a plebiscite of the electors of the colony on the question of using the Irish National Scripture Lesson Books in State schools.
3. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.
4. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, in view of the urgency of the case, prompt action ought to be taken to issue a Proclamation, similar to the one issued by the Government of Tasmania, prohibiting the importation of Queensland hides into Victoria, in order to prevent the introduction of the "tick" pest.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL**—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
2. **COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
4. **SUPPLY**—To be considered in Committee.
5. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY.

Question.

1. **MR. McCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If he intends to proceed with the permanent reservation of the Forest Reserve at Ellesmere.
 2. Is he aware that there is a large mining field there on which more than 300 men are employed, and that there is no Government land except the Forest Reserve on which these men with their families can settle.
 3. Is he aware that a race has been constructed by the Water Supply Department at a cost of £1,200 to supply this locality with water, and which reserve it is now proposed to permanently exclude the public from settling upon.
 4. Will the Minister, before proceeding further with the reservation, have a report from officers of the Lands and the Mines Departments as to the advisability of making a portion of this reserve available in small blocks, and so give the people homes and make the water-race remunerative, as well as stimulate the mining industry.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY.

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

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Factories and Shops Bill—[18]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 4, 5, and 6.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.
Divisions in Committee of the Whole. No. 1.
Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill—[39].
Dog Bill—[40].
Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Plan for new Railway Station at Flinders-street; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.—Return to an Order of the House. C.—No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
2. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

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 2. Is he aware that these statistics and reports were required by law to be made by the late Railways Commissioners.
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 14th July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH JULY, 1896.

Game Bill—[20].

Life Assurance Companies Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. M. Pratt. (To Members of Council only.)

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

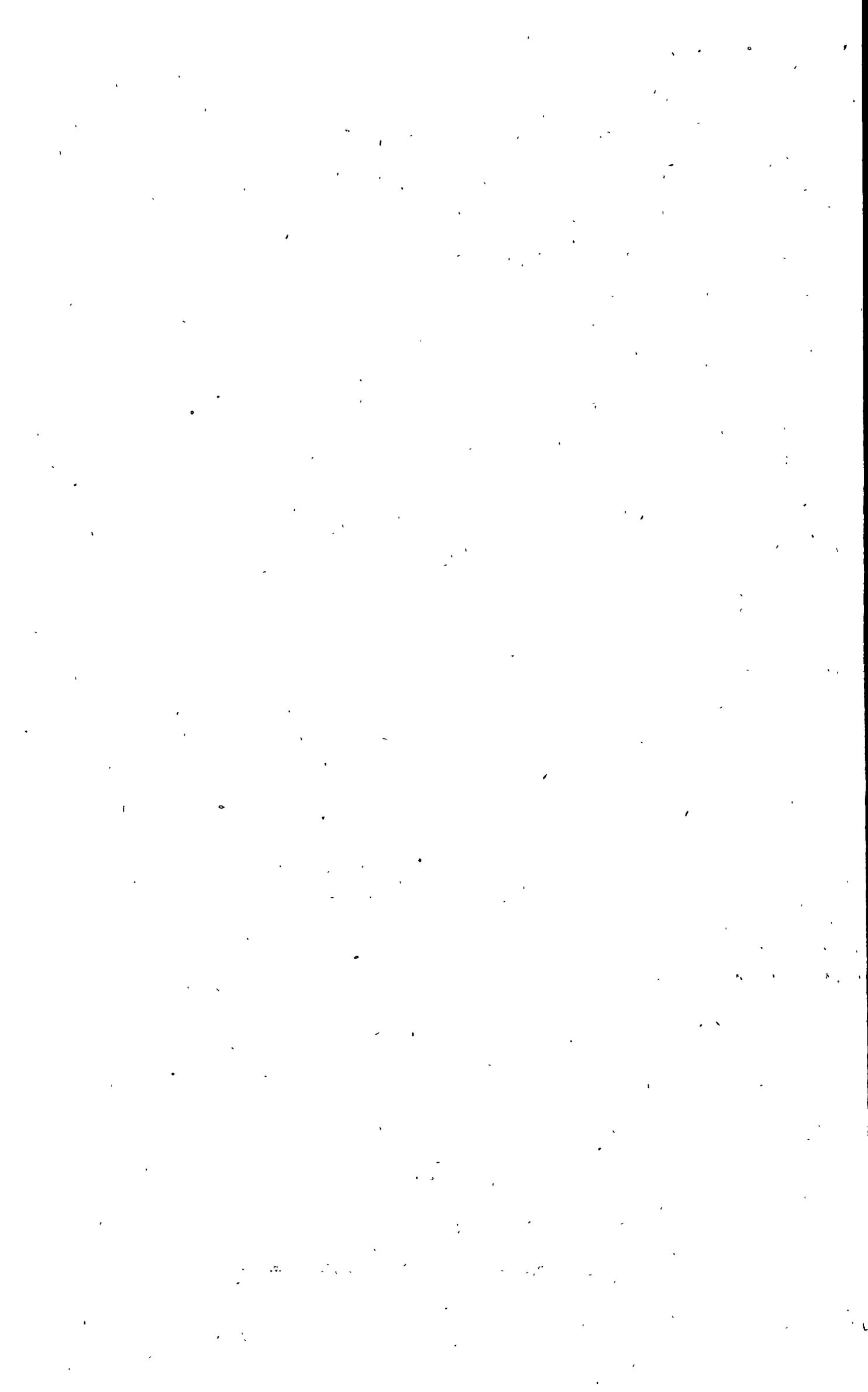
Reconstructed Companies Act Extension Bill—[6].

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

Australasian Statistics for the year 1894. No. 1.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1894.—Part IX.—Social Condition. No. 2.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part I.—Blue Book. No. 4.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If he intends to proceed with the permanent reservation of the Forest Reserve at Ellesmere.
 2. Is he aware that there is a large mining field there on which more than 300 men are employed, and that there is no Government land except the Forest Reserve on which these men with their families can settle.
 3. Is he aware that a race has been constructed by the Water, Supply Department at a cost of £1,200 to supply this locality with water, and which reserve it is now proposed to permanently exclude the public from settling upon.
 4. Will the Minister, before proceeding further with the reservation, have a report from officers of the Lands and the Mines Departments as to the advisability of making a portion of this reserve available in small blocks, and so give the people homes and make the water-race remunerative, as well as stimulate the mining industry.
2. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he intends to perpetuate the system of supplying private individuals with road metal from Melbourne or Pentridge prisons, in the face of the fact that large numbers of old men are kept out of employment by that practice being pursued.
3. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, after the disclosures recently made before a Board of inquiry, he does not think it is advisable to have a Board appointed to inquire into the working of the various Government Departments.
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 2. Is he aware that these statistics and reports were required by law to be made by the late Railways Commissioners.
 3. Did he call the attention of the late Railways Commissioners to this complaint prior to their leaving office.
5. MR. LAZARUS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Is it a fact, as stated in the *Bendigo Advertiser* newspaper of the 9th inst., that quite recently a truck loaded with dynamite was left standing at a railway station for nearly a week, and that on another occasion a truck containing detonator caps was shunted about from one line to another several times during the night.
 2. If these statements are correct, will the Honorable the Minister at once take steps to prevent the recurrence of such a dangerous proceeding.

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6. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government intends to introduce a *Crédit Foncier* or Cheap Money Bill in the interests of the producers this Session ; and, if so, when.
7. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Solicitor-General)—
 1. Has his attention been called to the prosecution of Robert Neimke by one Pratt for conspiracy and for perjury, which was lately dismissed by the justices at Geelong.
 2. Is it a fact that Neimke was kept in custody and bail refused on the *ex parte* information of a private prosecutor.
 3. If so, will the Attorney-General take any, and what, steps to prevent a repetition of such an infringement of the liberty of the subject.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
4. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
5. WAYS-AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY.

General Business (to take precedence).

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WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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9. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 14th July.

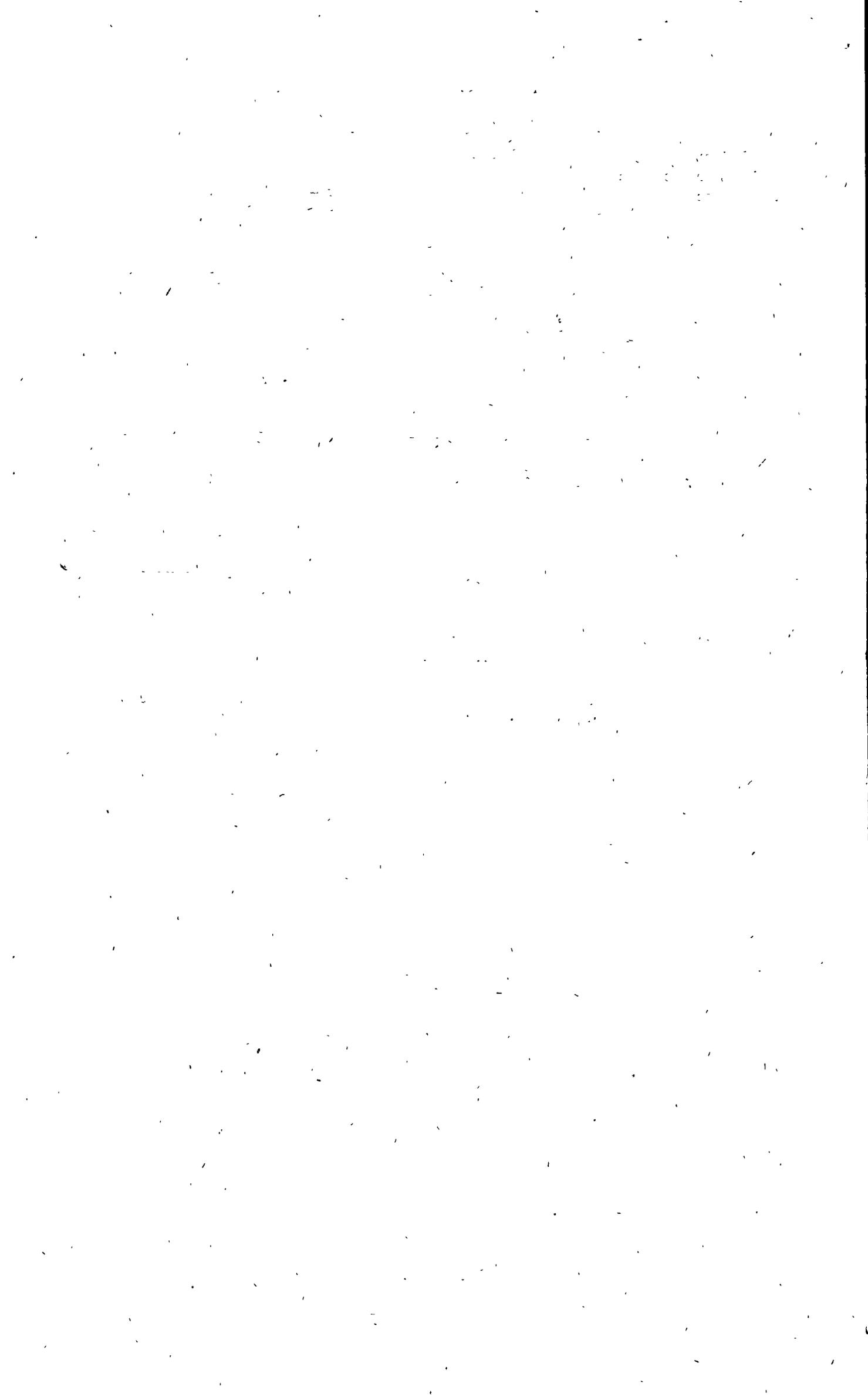
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REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH JULY, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 3.

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

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill.—New Clauses and Schedule to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1896.

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 2. Has this rule always been given effect to since the passing thereof.
3. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If his attention has been called to a statement made by the Premier of New South Wales in his Budget speech, that there is a difference in price of 100 per cent. between the contract price of certain stores supplied to the Government Departments in that colony and that of similar stores supplied to Victoria.
 2. Is this difference in favour of New South Wales due, as stated, to the greater cheapness of "specific" over "general" tenders.
 3. If so, will he consider the matter of inquiring into the whole question of the supply of stores to the Victorian Government Departments.
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 1. If he noticed a letter in the *Herald* newspaper of Monday last relating to the late Assistant Station-master Hunter, in which it is stated Hunter was killed whilst on duty on the morning of the 10th July instant, and that only nine and a half days' pay was forwarded to the widow, a half-day's pay being deducted for the 10th instant, the day of the fatality.
 2. Are the statements in the letter correct.

General Business (to take precedence).

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8. MR. KERR : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of architects employed in the Public Works Department during the past two years, and the amount of salary paid to each.
 2. The number of draughtsmen employed during the same time, and salaries paid to each.
 3. The number of bridges, public buildings, &c., erected under their supervision during the same period, and total cost of same.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ISAAC A. ISAACS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Insolvency.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TREASURY DEPOSITS INTEREST BILL—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL—Second reading.
4. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 21st JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, after the disclosures recently made before a Board of inquiry, he does not think it is advisable to have a Board appointed to inquire into the working of the various Government Departments.
2. MR. STERRY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. How many so-called trainees have been appointed, or it is intended to appoint, as Assistant Inspectors of Mines.
 2. What special training or experience have those persons so appointed, or proposed to be appointed, in practical mining.
 3. Is it intended that those so appointed as Assistant Inspectors will ultimately be eligible for appointment as Mining Inspectors.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

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WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

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9. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 9TH JULY, 1896.

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

Adulteration of Seeds Bill—[28]—(To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Elections Bill—[33]—(To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Bill—

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. E. J. Croke. (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 7, 8, and 9.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 2.

Yarra Improvement Bill—[1].

Treasury Deposits Interest Bill—[45].

Village Settlers, Koo-wee-rup.—Petition. E.—No. 1.

Proceedings of the Australasian Quarantine Conference of Melbourne, Victoria, 1896. No. 25.

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No. 11.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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 2. The number of men on annual salary who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.

TUESDAY, 21st JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. CHIRNSIDE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if it is a fact that the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works have taken no steps to make the private roads leading from the Metropolitan Farm, Werribee; and if he will request the Board to put these roads in such order as will enable the farmers to cart their produce to and from the railway station.
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4. **MR. WEBB :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he has any objection to giving the names of the parties or firms said to have exported butter to Western Australia adulterated with margarine.
5. **MR. HANCOCK :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the erection of the central electric light station.
6. **MR. COOK :** To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in accordance with his promise of last Session, it is still his intention to ask this House to remit the question of constructing the Northern Suburbs line to the Railways Standing Committee ; and, if so, when.
7. **MR. MALONEY :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the Government will make any pecuniary provision for Mrs. Hunter, widow of the late Assistant Station-master Hunter, who was killed whilst on duty on the 10th of June last ; and, if so, to what extent.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. KIRTON :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 21st July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH JULY, 1896.

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

Companies Bill—[19]. (To Members only.)

Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill.—Amendment and new-clauses to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION.—

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 21st JULY, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. CHIRNSIDE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if it is a fact that the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works have taken no steps to make the private roads leading from the Metropolitan Farm, Werribee; and if he will request the Board to put these roads in such order as will enable the farmers to cart their produce to and from the railway station.
2. **MR. BENNETT** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, after the disclosures recently made before a Board of inquiry, he does not think it is advisable to have a Board appointed to inquire into the working of the various Government Departments.
3. **MR. STERRY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. How many so-called trainees have been appointed, or it is intended to appoint, as Assistant Inspectors of Mines.
 2. What special training or experience have those persons so appointed, or proposed to be appointed, in practical mining.
 3. Is it intended that those so appointed as Assistant Inspectors will ultimately be eligible for appointment as Mining Inspectors.
 4. Does the Honorable the Minister not consider that all appointments to the position of Assistant Mining Inspectors or Inspectors of Mines should be persons who possess special knowledge and experience in practical mining.
4. **MR. WEBB** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he has any objection to giving the names of the parties or firms said to have exported butter to Western Australia adulterated with margarine.
5. **MR. HANCOCK** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when tenders will be called for the erection of the central electric light station.
6. **MR. COOK** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in accordance with his promise of last Session, it is still his intention to ask this House to remit the question of constructing the Northern Suburbs line to the Railways Standing Committee; and, if so, when.
7. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if the Government will make any pecuniary provision for Mrs. Hunter, widow of the late Assistant Station-master Hunter, who was killed whilst on duty on the 10th of June last; and, if so, to what extent.
8. **MR. CRAVEN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is his intention to rectify the anomaly existing with regard to allowing dough and bread to come into Victoria free, whilst the duty upon flour is £3 per ton.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
2. **COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
3. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
5. **EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL**—Second reading.
6. **SUPPLY**—To be considered in Committee.
7. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be considered in Committee.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The number of men on daily pay in the different sections of the Railway Service who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per-day, specifying each section.
 2. The number of men on annual salary who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KIRTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 21st July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH JULY, 1896.

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

Insolvency Bill—[21].

Referendum Bill—[38].

Municipal Councillors' Indemnity Bill—[41].

Homestead Bill—[46].

Report upon the affairs of the Post Office and Telegraph Department for the year 1895. No. 12.

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1895.
No. 23.

Trade with the United Kingdom.—Returns prepared in compliance with Colonial Office Despatch No. 103,
of 28th November, 1895. No. 27.

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RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. STERRY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. How many so-called trainees have been appointed, or it is intended to appoint, as Assistant Inspectors of Mines.
 2. What special training or experience have those persons so appointed, or proposed to be appointed, in practical mining.
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3. **MR. REID** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has any intention of renting another building at Malvern for a post-office.
4. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If the late Acting Commissioners have been in the habit of employing stevedores at the stations on the Murray River and other places, and charging the same to the shippers.
 2. Have all the shippers been charged alike.
 3. Has Permewan and Co. always paid this charge.
 4. If Permewan and Co. have paid, has the amount so paid been refunded to them ; and, if so, has any other agent or shipper had the same treatment.
 5. Have all farmers and graziers sending wool from the Linton Railway Station or any other station on that line paid the same rate for carriage.
 6. If not, what reasons did the Acting Commissioners give for the difference in treatment.
 7. Will a list of these irregular charges and payments, if made, be laid before Parliament.
5. **MR. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways the amount of loan money that is still available for railway construction ; also, the sum used for purposes other than the construction of new railways out of loan fund.
6. **MR. BARRETT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 1. Is it a fact that large numbers of the unemployed of the other colonies are arriving in Melbourne with the object of obtaining work in connexion with the Yarra Floods Scheme.
 2. Will a system be adopted giving preference to the unemployed in our midst and others who, notwithstanding that they have been registered for a long time past, have not obtained employment.
7. **MR. KIRTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he will see that wire ropes in mines are tested in the same manner as cages and boilers, in order to lessen the risk of accidents.
8. **MR. HAMILTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. Is he aware of the highly dangerous practice carried on at some of the deep mines, where men are in the habit of ascending shafts on cages containing gads, drills, and pickaxes.
 2. Has he power to stop the practice.
 3. If not, will he see that such power is obtained.
9. **MR. BURTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines on what date is it his intention to introduce the Amending Mines Bill.
10. **MR. A. ANDERSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government intend to support the Bill introduced by the Honorable Member for Delatite to save local bodies from the effect of the decision in the case of *Holland v. Ireland*.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS AFTER REPORT—To be further considered.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading.
5. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

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

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3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
8. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
9. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. WEBB : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he has any objection to giving the names of the parties or firms said to have exported butter to Western Australia adulterated with margarine.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Second reading.
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 22nd July.

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

Tuesday, 28th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 16TH JULY, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 4.

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

Yarra Improvement Bill—[1]. (To Members of Council only.)

Explosives Bill—[24].

Life Assurance Companies Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. S. Fraser in substitution for Clause 6. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 10, 11, and 12.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3.

Exported Products Bill—[4].

Customs Bill—[25].

Sparrow Destruction Bill—[42].

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill—

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

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New Clauses, Amendments, and Schedule to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Styles. (To Members only.)

New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. T. Smith. (To Members only.)

Companies Bill 1896.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs on consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed on Report. (To Members only).

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that a line of railway should be constructed from Rupanyup to Banyena.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Consideration of Report.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading.
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6. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MADDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Crimes Act 1890.*

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. WEBB : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he has any objection to giving the names of the parties or firms said to have exported butter to Western Australia adulterated with margarine.
2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Government intend, in carrying out the improvements, &c., in the River Yarra, to select working men exclusively or preferentially from the municipal districts of Richmond, Prahran, and Melbourne.
3. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. If his attention has been called to the case of James Slattery, who is in custody on a charge of forging and uttering scrip purporting to represent shares of the value of several thousand pounds in the Broken Hill Junction Mining Company.
 2. Is he aware that Slattery has confessed that he got the forged scrip printed by a firm of printers carrying on business at Ballarat, and also that it was impressed with various stamps in imitation of stamps used by several sharebroking firms, so as to make it appear that the scrip had passed through their hands.
 3. Does the Honorable the Attorney-General not think that this case shows the necessity for some steps being taken to prevent the printing of scrip or the issue of rubber stamps bearing the name of any sharebroking firm without some guarantee of the *bona fides* of the person ordering the scrip or the stamps; and will he consider the expediency of introducing legislation to guard against this, and to prevent, as far as possible, any repetition of such forgeries and frauds as Slattery has confessed he has committed.
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 WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.
General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
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 WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.
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 WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.
General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

 WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.
General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
 Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 23rd July.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at twelve o'clock.
 ALFRED GODDARD—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND JULY, 1896.

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

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Consideration of Report.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAVES : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount due to the employés of the Victorian Railways Service for overtime, including Sunday work, for the year ending 30th June, 1896, which, by the late Commissioners' orders, must be paid for, or time equivalent granted as leave of absence with full pay; and approximately the amount now which will have to be recouped in this respect under the management of Mr. Commissioner Mathieson.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

Questions.

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5. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he intends to have the Report of Mr. Ribbentrop, Inspector-General of Forests in India, upon the forests of Victoria, printed and made available for interested persons.

6. MR. HIGGINS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—

1. Is it a fact that Mr. E. H. Lascelles has notified his willingness to undertake to cultivate an area of 125,000 acres within his mallee blocks, provided that he can be assured of permission to cultivate, in the first instance, 13,000 acres, and, subsequently, further portions of the area from time to time.
2. Is it not correct that at present Mr. Lascelles pays a mere nominal rent for the said area as a pastoral area, and, if given permission to cultivate, will have to pay 3d. per acre per annum.
3. Has the Honorable the Minister refused to give the assurance; and, if so, why.

7. MR. LAZARUS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—

1. Is it a fact, that an applicant for a second class certificate as an engine-driver is not eligible for examination, though he may have complied with the regulations as to the number of hours per day, and the length of time that he has driven an engine, and all other regulations, except that he has not actually been engaged by any company on such work.
2. Will the Honorable the Minister remedy this by either amending the regulations, or making the necessary alteration in his promised Bill.

8. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply whether he intends to introduce a Water Act Amendment Bill this Session; and, if so, will such Bill provide for the reduction of interest and sinking fund on loans granted to Water Trusts.

9. MR. LAZARUS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—

1. Has his attention been called to the fact that the Bendigo Mining District is too large to permit one Inspector of Mines to properly perform the duties of his office.
2. Will the Honorable the Minister subdivide the district, so that this important work may be facilitated.

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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. MR. KIRTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.
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4. MR. MADDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale of manure.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD JULY, 1896.

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

Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to investigate and report upon the Complaints made by George Sangster, Esq., M.P., against the Marine Board of Victoria. No. 17.

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria, for 1895, &c. No. 18.

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1895. No. 26.

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

(Title of Report)

Date

Author

Office of the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SYNOPSIS

(Summary of Report)

Main body of the report containing detailed findings and analysis.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. WEBB :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he has any objection to giving the names of the parties or firms said to have exported butter to Western Australia adulterated with margarine.
2. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Government intend, in carrying out the improvements, &c., in the River Yarra, to select working men exclusively or preferentially from the municipal districts of Richmond, Prahran, and Melbourne.
3. **MR. ZOX :** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. If his attention has been called to the case of James Slattery, who is in custody on a charge of forging and uttering scrip purporting to represent shares of the value of several thousand pounds in the Broken Hill Junction Mining Company.
 2. Is he aware that Slattery has confessed that he got the forged scrip printed by a firm of printers carrying on business at Ballarat, and also that it was impressed with various stamps in imitation of stamps used by several sharebroking firms, so as to make it appear that the scrip had passed through their hands.
 3. Does the Honorable the Attorney-General not think that this case shows the necessity for some steps being taken to prevent the printing of scrip or the issue of rubber stamps bearing the name of any sharebroking firm without some guarantee of the *bona fides* of the person ordering the scrip or the stamps; and will he consider the expediency of introducing legislation to guard against this, and to prevent, as far as possible, any repetition of such forgeries and frauds as Slattery has confessed he has committed.
4. **MR. MALONEY :** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he is aware that a large proportion of specifications which the British Patent Office and the Patent Offices of all the other colonies have accepted as referring to one invention only have been objected to in the Victorian Patent Office as referring to more than one; and will he inquire as to whether these increasingly numerous objections, which may inflict much hardship on inventors, are necessary.
5. **MR. MCKENZIE :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he intends to have the Report of Mr. Ribbentrop, Inspector-General of Forests in India, upon the forests of Victoria, printed and made available for interested persons.
6. **MR. HIGGINS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it a fact that Mr. E. H. Lascelles has notified his willingness to undertake to cultivate an area of 125,000 acres within his mallee blocks, provided that he can be assured of permission to cultivate, in the first instance, 13,000 acres, and, subsequently, further portions of the area from time to time.
 2. Is it not correct that at present Mr. Lascelles pays a mere nominal rent for the said area as a pastoral area, and, if given permission to cultivate, will have to pay 3d. per acre per annum.
 3. Has the Honorable the Minister refused to give the assurance; and, if so, why.
7. **MR. LAZARUS :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. Is it a fact that an applicant for a second class certificate as an engine-driver is not eligible for examination, though he may have complied with the regulations as to the number of hours per day, and the length of time that he has driven an engine, and all other regulations, except that he has not actually been engaged by any company on such work.
 2. Will the Honorable the Minister remedy this by either amending the regulations, or making the necessary alteration in his promised Bill.
8. **MR. MCKENZIE :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply whether he intends to introduce a Water Act Amendment Bill this Session; and, if so, will such Bill provide for the reduction of interest and sinking fund on loans granted to Water Trusts.

9. **MR. LAZARUS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
1. Has his attention been called to the fact that the Bendigo Mining District is too large to permit one Inspector of Mines to properly perform the duties of his office.
 2. Will the Honorable the Minister subdivide the district, so that this important work may be facilitated.
10. **MR. CHIRNSIDE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is a fact that the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works are about proceeding with the erection of a jetty and shipping stage at the Sewage Farm at Werribee, notwithstanding the protest of the Honorable the Minister of Railways and the legislative action against this competition with the existing State railways.
11. **MR. BARRETT** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether in the appointment of any new inspectors under the Factories and Shops Acts it is his intention to choose them solely from the ranks of the Public Service.
12. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in granting permission to Mallee block and allotment holders to subdivide their holdings, such permission carried with it the right to cultivate the subdivisinal portions; if not, how does he intend to deal with or treat the subdivisinal lessees.
13. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
1. How many hours a day was the late Mr. Purcell, cattle-truck cleaner, of 64 Munster-terrace, employed for the fourteen days preceding his being killed, and what were his wages per day.
 2. Will any compensation be given to his widow and family of eight children.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—Consideration of Report.
2. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. KIRTON** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.
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4. **MR. MADDEN** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale of manure.
5. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount due to the employes of the Victorian Railways Service for overtime, including Sunday work, for the year ending 30th June, 1896, which, by the late Commissioners' orders, must be paid for, or time equivalent granted as leave of absence with full pay; and approximately the amount now which will have to be recouped in this respect under the management of Mr. Commissioner Mathieson.

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 23RD JULY, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 5 and 6.

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

Companies Bill—[19]. (To Members of Council only.)

Life Assurance Companies Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. N. FitzGerald. (To Members of Council only.)

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

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 4.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 17.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of Railway from Rupanyup to Banyena.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
2. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. J. ANDERSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to give to all ratepayers the right to vote at all elections for the City Council of Melbourne.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows:—

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TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Questions.

1. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether the services of Mr. Stirling, the Assistant Government Geologist, can be made available for a series of lectures in the mining centres.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. What is the amount of agricultural bonuses due and unpaid to the persons claiming them.
 2. Is the amount provided on the Estimates for year 1896-7.
3. MR. A. ANDERSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill to do away with the local auditors this Session.
4. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will state—
 1. How many acres of Mallee land are held under lease by Mr. E. H. Lascelles.
 2. What rent is paid per acre by Mr. Lascelles for the land leased.
 3. What amount will be required to pay Mr. Lascelles, on the expiry of the leases, to enable the Government to resume possession of the land.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
3. MR. KIRTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 30th July.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past ten o'clock.

Tuesday, 4th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.
LIBRARY (JOINT)—at a quarter-past four o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH JULY, 1896.

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

Municipal Councillors' Indemnity Bill—[41]. (To Members of Council only.)

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

Scripture Lesson Books Plebiscite Bill—[47].

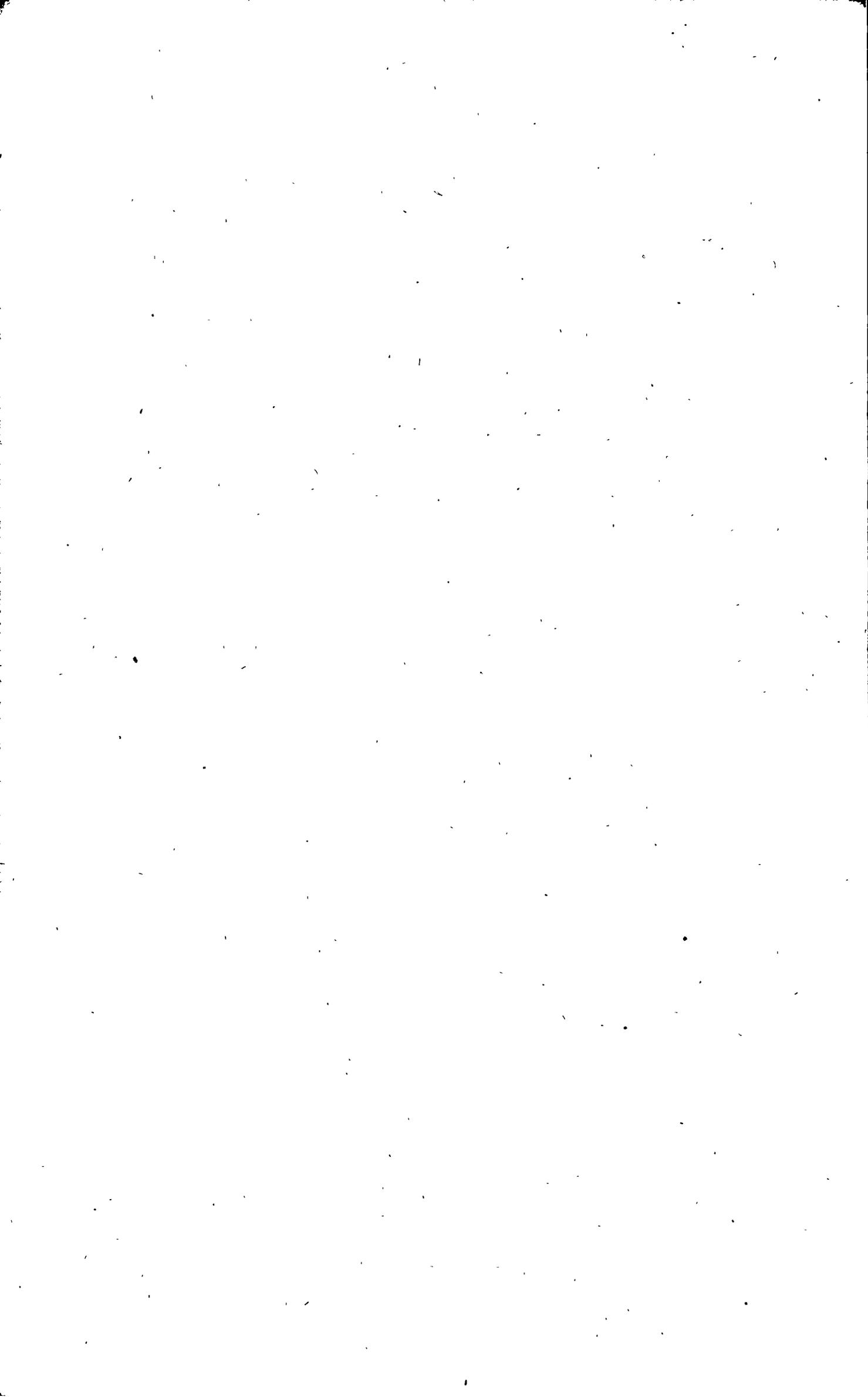
Yarra River Floods Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Supplementary Estimates, 1895-6. B.—No. 4.

Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1897. B.—No. 5.

Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence. Report No. 1.

Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1892-5 to the Minister of Health. No. 32.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether the services of Mr. Stirling, the Assistant Government Geologist, can be made available for a series of lectures in the mining centres.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
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 1. How many acres of Mallee land are held under lease by Mr. E. H. Lascelles.
 2. What rent is paid per acre by Mr. Lascelles for the land leased.
 3. What amount will be required to pay Mr. Lascelles, on the expiry of the leases, to enable the Government to resume possession of the land.
5. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to publish the names and dates of the promotions of the Chief Commissioner of Police, officers, and sub-officers to their present ranks, and dates of joining of all constables in the Police Force, in the *Police Gazette* every fourth year, in their order of seniority, as is done in the *Government Gazette* in regard to the Public Service, Education, and Railway Departments ; the first publication to appear in the first issue of the *Police Gazette* in 1897.
6. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if any provision will be made in the new Constitution Act Amendment Bill regarding the extension of the franchise to aliens who are not separated by the colour line.
7. MR. J. B. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is his or the Government's intention, in carrying out the Yarra Improvement Works, to give preferential rights for employment to the unemployed of the municipalities contributing towards the cost of the work, as published in the *Age* newspaper of 22nd July, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 4th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.
LIBRARY (JOINT)—at a quarter-past four o'clock.

Wednesday, 12th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH JULY, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 7.
Life Assurance Companies Bill 1896.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

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

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. How many years had the late Mr. Purcell, cattle-truck cleaner, of 64 Munster-terrace, been employed in the Victorian Railways.
 2. How many hours and at what times was he employed during each of the seven days previous to his being killed.
2. **MR. DUGGAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will be good enough to make arrangements with the Lands Department whereby hop-growers on the Loddon River will be enabled to secure the necessary supply of hop poles from the adjoining State forests.
3. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a letter in the *Age* newspaper of the 3rd inst. *re* hours of hospital nurses ; if so, will he obtain a return showing the names (or names indicated by numbers) and the hours worked daily by each member respectively of the nursing staff of Melbourne Hospital during the months of January, February, June, and July, 1896.
4. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Whether in originally granting permission to subdivide mallee blocks and allotments it was not intended to allow cultivation in all cases.
 2. Was it not contended that if permission to subdivide was granted a superior class of settlers would be induced to purchase subdivisions and settle thereon for the direct purpose of cultivating same.
 3. If so, why was permission to cultivate granted in some cases only.
 4. Is it the intention of the Government to place all subdivisional lessees on the same footing.
 5. How, in what manner, and to what extent will the State suffer by permission to cultivate being given in all cases.
5. **MR. BROMLEY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 1. If his attention has been called to the state of the steps of Parliament House during wet weather and the consequent danger to the foundations of the façade through the percolation of water thereto.
 2. Will the Honorable the Minister take the necessary means to have them put in order.
6. **MR. J. B. TUCKER** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Solicitor-General)—
 1. Is the Honorable the Solicitor-General aware that the Secretary to the Law Department stated in a memo., dated 22.5.95, on letter 1060/95, that the classification of the Public Service Board, made by direction of the Public Service Act, is practically obsolete, and that he, the Secretary, pays no attention to it.
 2. Is he further aware that the Secretary to the Law Department has kept one officer at work and classified as 4th class, while he appointed a junior officer to a position classified as 2nd class, and that on a 3rd class position becoming vacant he moved the senior and not the junior officer to such position.
7. **MR. LONGMORE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he will allow this House to express an opinion upon the question before leasing any public road.
8. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. What is the least sum paid for the lease of a section of 640 acres of mallee land by the large block-holders, and what is the least sum paid for the lease of a section of 640 acres of mallee land by the selector.
 2. Will the Honorable the Minister introduce an Amending Bill to allow the use of the mallee land to the selector on the same terms as the large block-holder, so that the small holder will be charged in the same way.
9. **MR. KIRTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether the head teachers of State schools have power to compel members of their staffs appointed prior to the inception of the Public Service Act, and who are unqualified or incompetent to do so, to give instruction in singing and drawing.

10. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—

1. If it is a fact that a number of station-masters, clerks, and telegraph operators are compelled to work on Sundays without payment or other consideration.
2. If it is true that a number of porters and guards in the suburban area are owed from 12 to 25 days each as time off for working on Sundays; and if it is the intention of the Department to pay the arrears owing to these men for Sunday work.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. WEBB : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The quantity of wheat and flour exported and again, under bond regulation, imported during the last six months.
 2. The dates and number of firms or persons exporting and importing same.

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

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
3. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. ANDERSON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to give to all ratepayers the right to vote at all elections for the City Council of Melbourne.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300 " " " £400 ...				
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Over £2,200				

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. McCOLL; To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. What is the amount of agricultural bonuses due and unpaid to the persons claiming them.
 2. Is the amount provided on the Estimates for year 1896-7.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
3. MR. KIRTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the present system of constituting Ministries is unsatisfactory and should be superseded by one based on the principle of selection

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 12th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 30TH JULY, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 8.

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

Life Assurance Companies Bill 1896—

Amendments to be proposed by the Hons. J. Sternberg, E. Miller, and C. J. Ham. (To Members of Council only.)

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. Balfour. (To Members of Council only.)

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. N. FitzGerald. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Councillors' Indemnity Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Elections Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. E. J. Crooke. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 16, 17, and 18.

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

Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary for the Year 1895. No. 28.

3. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
4. **MR. MCCAY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not) :—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

Questions.

1. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. What is the amount of agricultural bonuses due and unpaid to the persons claiming them.
 2. Is the amount provided on the Estimates for year 1896-7.
2. **MR. MCLELLAN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will cause copies of his proposals and plans for the improvement of the River Yarra to be laid on the Table of the House for the information of Honorable Members.
3. **MR. MALONEY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. What is the height from the floor to the lamp in the second class carriage 16B travelling between Melbourne and St. Kilda.
 2. What is the least measurement from lamp to floor in any second class carriage on the same line.
4. **MR. GROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the intention of the Government to appoint a Committee or Royal Commission to inquire into and report on the subject of old age pensions, he will consider the question of reserving suitable areas of land for endowment purposes.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GRAHAM** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. **MR. HIGGINS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
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4. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 12th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH AUGUST, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.
Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[60].

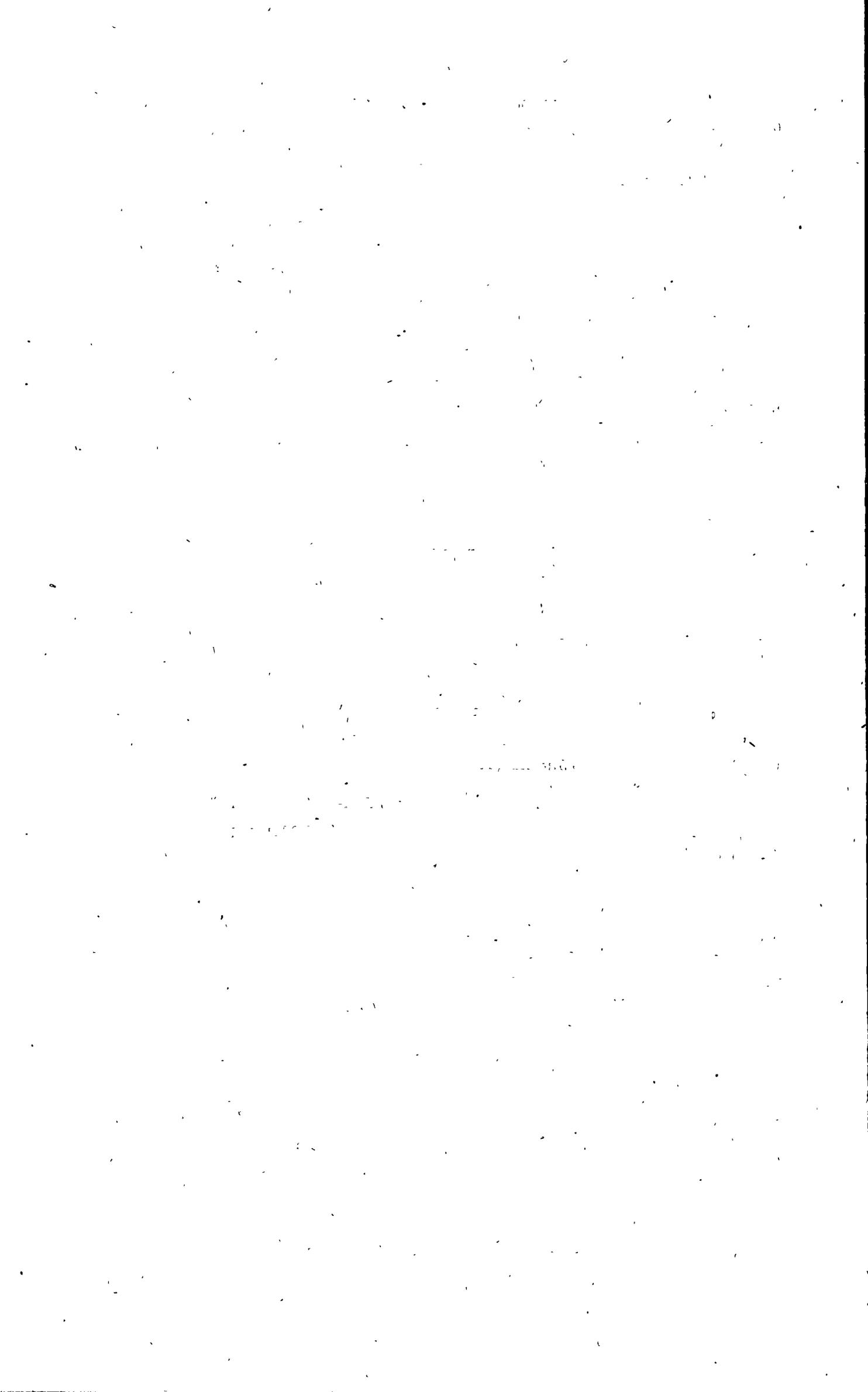
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

Employers' Liability Bill—[58].

Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 4).—Amendments of the Legislative Council.

(To Members only.)

Dog Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Salmon. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. What is the amount of agricultural bonuses due after inspection and unpaid to the persons claiming them.
 2. What is the approximate amount owing to persons whose properties have not been inspected.
 3. Is the amount provided on the Estimates for year 1896-7.
2. MR. McLELLAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will cause copies of his proposals and plans for the improvement of the River Yarra to be laid on the Table of the House for the information of Honorable Members.
3. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. What is the height from the floor to the lamp in the second class carriage 16B travelling between Melbourne and St. Kilda.
 2. What is the least measurement from lamp to floor in any second class carriage on the same line.
4. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the intention of the Government to appoint a Committee or Royal Commission to inquire into and report on the subject of old age pensions, he will consider the question of reserving suitable areas of land for endowment purposes.
5. MR. DOWNWARD : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways upon what grounds Mr. Devling was reduced from the position of inspector to that of ganger.
6. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state—
 1. What is the cost for a monthly ticket from Melbourne to St. Kilda for a lady possessing an independence of £1,000 a year.
 2. What is the cost for the same where a lady has to exist on her earnings of 12s. per week.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of the railway lines constructed under the butty-gang system.
 2. The length of each line and total length of all those constructed.
 3. The Engineer's estimate of cost of each line.
 4. The actual cost of each line, showing the principal headings and total cost of all the lines.
 5. The cost of supervision, including the salaries of construction engineers and inspectors.
 6. The average wages paid.
 7. The total number of men employed on each line.
 8. The time occupied in the construction of each line.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. RUPANYUR TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

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2. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
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Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

4. **MR. MALONEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The average cost per seat for building first class and second class railway carriages respectively from and including 1889.
2. The average cost of earning £100 on the Victorian Railways by first class and second class carriages respectively during the same period.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been directed to a new cereal extensively and successfully grown in the State of Kansas, America, last year; and, if so, will he take steps to introduce the same into this colony by importing a small quantity of the seed thereof for distribution.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
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WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 12th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

Thursday, 13th August.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 6TH AUGUST, 1896.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been directed to a new cereal extensively and successfully grown in the State of Kansas, America, last year ; and, if so, will he take steps to introduce the same into this colony by importing a small quantity of the seed thereof for distribution.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he will make inquiries as to the difference (if any) between the rates charged for docking vessels in New South Wales and Victoria ; and, if necessary, lay upon the Table of the House a schedule of the charges.
3. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether the Government will agree to an amendment of section 43 of the *Land Act* 1890, so as to allow married women to select an agricultural allotment under that Act.
4. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Whether his attention has been called to a paragraph in the report of Mr. Miller, Secretary for the Neglected Children's Branch of the Industrial Schools, to the following effect :—“That we are not getting the best results for suspending the sentences of juvenile first offenders, in consequence of the want of proper and systematic supervision over the probationary cases.”
 2. If so, will the Honorable the Minister take the necessary steps to remedy same.
5. MR. MALONEY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether there is any provision to prevent the evasion of the Factories and Shops Acts by unscrupulous employers selling the materials to the workers, and agreeing or arranging to buy back the completed article at a price which would only allow for the original sweating price of labour.
6. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether the Government will take steps, by reduction of the dock charges or otherwise, to render the Alfred Graving Dock a payable concern.
7. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Is he aware that the North-Eastern Railway Company, England, has arranged to issue coupons whereby passengers may be carried 1,000 miles, in journeys of 10 miles and upwards.
 2. Will he consider the advisability of adopting the system.
8. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what rate per yard was paid to men lately employed on the railway works at Nathalia and sent up by the Railway Department.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

(220 copies.)

8. **MR. BURTON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. A list of trading companies in Victoria incorporated since 1886, and the names of the directors of each company, showing which companies have gone into liquidation or otherwise failed to meet their liabilities.
 2. A list of trading companies or similar corporations now carrying on business, and the names of their directors.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
1. If he will make inquiries from the Commissioner whether, in the event of any future railway accident occurring, he has any objection to an open inquiry being held, with a view of insuring a more impartial investigation into such cases.
 2. If he has any objections, will he be pleased to state them.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
2. **SALE OF MANURE BILL**—Second reading.
3. **MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL**—Second reading.
4. **HOMES PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.
5. **DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL**—Second reading.
7. **SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL**—Second reading.
8. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)**—Second reading.
9. **TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL**—Second reading.
10. **SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL**—Second reading.
11. **NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HIGGINS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. **MR. HAMILTON** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
3. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)**—Second reading.
2. **REFERENDUM BILL**—Second reading.
3. **CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL**—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 12th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

Thursday, 13th August.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 6TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

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

Game Act Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. E. J. Croke. (To Members of Council only.)

Life Assurance Companies Bill.—

Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. J. Balfour on New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. N. FitzGerald. (To Members of Council only.)

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. James Balfour. (To Members of Council only.)

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

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st March, 1896. No. 29.

Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of the Settlement on Lands Act 1893, during the financial year ended 30th June, 1896. No. 33.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1896.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. BURTON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. A list of trading companies in Victoria incorporated since 1886, and the names of the directors of each company, showing which companies have gone into liquidation or otherwise failed to meet their liabilities.
 2. A list of trading companies or similar corporations now carrying on business, and the names of their directors.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. H. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That the question of providing direct communication between the northern suburbs and Melbourne, by railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WEBB : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
2. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
3. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

2. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been directed to a new cereal extensively and successfully grown in the State of Kansas, America, last year ; and, if so, will he take steps to introduce the same into this colony by importing a small quantity of the seed thereof for distribution.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
 1. Is there any restriction upon the measurement of brewers' casks.
 2. If not, will steps be taken to enforce restrictions in the proposed Customs legislation.
4. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when the existing contracts with the P. and O. and Orient Steamship Companies for the carriage of mails will expire.
5. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If he has received any communication from Mr. Hutchinson, of Warracknabeal, asking that an independent board of inquiry be granted him to inquire into certain charges made against the administration of the Lands Department.
 2. If so, is it his intention to grant the inquiry.
6. MR. BROMLEY : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will concede the privilege of granting six months' pay to a number of telegraph messengers who have reached the maximum age, as was done on a previous occasion.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. O'NEILL : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
3. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—
1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 13th August.

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

Tuesday, 18th August.

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

Wednesday, 19th August.

ALFRED GÖDDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he will make inquiries from the Commissioner whether, in the event of any future railway accident occurring, he has any objection to an open inquiry being held, with a view of insuring a more impartial investigation into such cases.
 2. If he has any objections, will he be pleased to state them.
2. **MR. DUGGAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if his attention has been directed to a new cereal extensively and successfully grown in the State of Kansas, America, last year ; and, if so, will he take steps to introduce the same into this colony by importing a small quantity of the seed thereof for distribution.
3. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
 1. Is there any restriction upon the measurement of brewers' casks.
 2. If not, will steps be taken to enforce restrictions in the proposed Customs legislation.
4. **MR. T. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when the existing contracts with the P. and O. and Orient Steam-ship Companies for the carriage of mails will expire.
5. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If he has received any communication from Mr. Hutchinson, of Warracknabeal, asking that an independent board of inquiry be granted him to inquire into certain charges made against the administration of the Lands Department.
 2. If so, is it his intention to grant the inquiry.
6. **MR. BROMLEY** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will concede the privilege of granting six months' pay to a number of telegraph messengers who have reached the maximum age, as was done on a previous occasion.
7. **MR. BAKER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether, in view of the urgent necessity for making various amendments in the Local Government Acts, and particularly the necessity for simplifying the law in relation to drainage in connexion with the construction and maintenance of municipal works, he will bring in his promised amending Bill in time for it to be fully dealt with this Session.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. H. R. WILLIAMS** : To move, That the question of providing direct communication between the northern suburbs and Melbourne, by railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 4)**—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
7. **RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
8. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

(220 copies.)

7. MR. MALONEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The average cost per seat for building first class and second class railway carriages respectively from and including 1889.
 2. The average cost of earning £100 on the Victorian Railways by first class and second class carriages respectively during the same period.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. O'NEILL : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
3. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 18th August.

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

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at a quarter-past four o'clock

Wednesday, 19th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

Melbourne City Elections Bill—[64].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1893.

Questions.

1. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will inquire whether it is true that certain men doing painting at the Mint are receiving only 6s. per day from the contractor, although compelled to sign pay-sheets for the minimum wage, namely, 8s.
2. MR. BROMLEY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 1. When the Police Courts in Swanston-street were sold to the City Council, was it not intended to build new Police Courts.
 2. Has not a site for new Police Courts been reserved in Queen-street, and plans prepared for the buildings.
 3. Why have the Courts not been built, and what has become of the money intended for the purpose.
 4. Does he consider that the present Police Courts are suitable for the purpose.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of money paid since 1887 for legal advice in connexion with the Marine Board, specifying each year and the payments made to each individual, together with names of the legal advisers.
2. MR. ROGERS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of the present Patent Office Examiners, and what diplomas of technical qualification does each possess.
 2. What positions under Government each Examiner has previously held.
 3. If any Examiner has reported that he is not in a position to make a reliable expert report as to the novelty of any invention referred to him ; if so, who, on what subject, and on what grounds.
 4. How many complete specifications each Examiner has examined in each of the following twelve subjects in the five years preceding 1896 :—Agriculture, chemistry, textiles, metallurgy, paper and printing, stoves and furnaces, ordnance, arms and explosives, electricity, railways, marine, other engineering, others.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
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8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATERA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

(220 copies.)

7. MR. MALONEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The average cost per seat for building first class and second class railway carriages respectively from and including 1889.
2. The average cost of earning £100 on the Victorian Railways by first class and second class carriages respectively during the same period.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
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WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
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2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

W. V. ROBINSON,
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GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 19th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

Tuesday, 25th August.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 13TH AUGUST, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 12.

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

Explosives Bill (No. 2)—[65].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 22, 23, and 24.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 25.

Division in Committee of the Whole. No. 5.

Game Bill.—[20]. (To Members only.)

Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[60]. (To Members only.)

Artificial Manures Bill—[63].

Report of the Council of Defence. No. 30.

3. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

4. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not) :—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

5. MR. MALONEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

- The average cost per seat for building first class and second class railway carriages respectively from and including 1889.
- The average cost of earning £100 on the Victorian Railways by first class and second class carriages respectively during the same period.

6. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—

- The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
- The suitability of the present polling places.
- The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
- How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

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TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

Questions.

- MR. OUTTRIM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he proposes introducing a Bill to regulate coal mining.
- MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has seen the circulars and the reprint of letters regarding the proposed "Sewage Farm Jetty" forwarded to the Members of this House, and if he will instruct a responsible and competent survey officer to proceed to Cocoroc and report whether the proposed jetty for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works at that place is all or any portion thereof situated on Crown lands permanently reserved under Order in Council of 26th May, 1873, notified in the *Government Gazette*, 1873, p. 1059, and proclaiming "Shore of Port Phillip Bay.—Site for Public purposes," as a permanent reserve.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

- TREASURY BONDS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
3. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
5. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
7. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
10. SHEPPARION RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
12. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE-LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.

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

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 25th August.

COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH AUGUST, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 26.
Treasury Bonds Bill—[59].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. OUTTRIM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he proposes introducing a Bill to regulate coal mining.
2. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has seen the circulars and the reprint of letters regarding the proposed "Sewage Farm Jetty" forwarded to the Members of this House, and if he will instruct a responsible and competent survey officer to proceed to Cocoroc and report whether the proposed jetty for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works at that place is all or any portion thereof situated on Crown lands permanently reserved under Order in Council of 26th May, 1873, notified in the *Government Gazette*, 1873, p. 1059, and proclaiming "Shore of Port Phillip Bay.—Site for Public purposes," as a permanent reserve.
3. **MR. BOWSER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if, in view of the decision arrived at by the Members concerned at his request, he will take steps to have a close season proclaimed for the northern rivers of the colony.
4. **MR. STERRY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture what decision the Cabinet have come to regarding the vineyards of Strathfieldsaye.
5. **MR. MURPHY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will send the Geological Surveyor to report upon both quartz and alluvial in the Bolwarra district, near Gordon.
6. **MR. STERRY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. Is it his intention to facilitate prospecting by having tracks cut on the various lines of reef known to exist in the Whipstick Scrub, north of Bendigo.
 2. If so, when will the work be started, and how does the Honorable the Minister propose to have it carried out.
7. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. If his attention has been called to the numerous cases in which solicitors have been prosecuted lately for fraudulent dealings with their clients' money.
 2. Is it a fact that some solicitors suspended for offences of this nature have nevertheless virtually carried on business during the time of their suspension.
 3. Does he consider that the existing law gives sufficient protection to clients in their transactions with solicitors.
 4. If the law is not sufficient, will the Honorable the Minister take early steps to make the necessary amendments.
8. **MR. T. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that some men in the Railway Department having conscientious objections to work on Sundays are compelled to do so.
9. **MR. J. S. WHITE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. Whether officers of the Fourth Class appointed under Act No. 160 are entitled to receive an annual increment of £25, and whether all subsequent Acts have not conserved that right, so that by six increments such officers may rise from the minimum of £200 to the maximum of £350 of their class.
 2. Whether officers under Act No. 773 of the same or Fourth Class are not entitled to an annual increment of £10, starting from £210 until their salaries reach £300, with a right to two further increments of £25 each for long services at intervals of five years, subject to recommendations of permanent heads of Departments; if so, why have the long-service increments been suspended since 1891.

3. Whether the following table fairly illustrates the effect of the two systems less percentage deductions:—

Officer under Act—	Class.	Salary in 1891.	Annual Increments under Act No. 160.	Increment under Act No. 773.	Long-service Increment	Present Salary.
No. 773	4th	£300	...	Nil	Withheld since 1891	£300
No. 160	4th	£225	£25	Nil	Nil	£350

10. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that a number of women waiting-room attendants are to be removed from the list of permanent employes and regraded as temporary ; and, if so, what is the reason for this change.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. TREASURY BONDS BILL—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
9. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WEBB : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300 " " " £400 ...				
" £400 " " " £500 ...				
" £500 " " " £600 ...				
" £600 " " " £700 ...				
" £700 " " " £800 ...				
" £800 " " " £900 ...				
" £900 " " " £1,000 ...				
" £1,000 " " " £1,100 ...				
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" £1,200 " " " £1,300 ...				
" £1,300 " " " £1,400 ...				
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" £1,800 " " " £1,900 ...				
" £1,900 " " " £2,000 ...				
" £2,000 " " " £2,100 ...				
" £2,100 " " " £2,200 ...				
Over £2,200				

3. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

MR. MCCAY: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

5. MR. MALONEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The average cost per seat for building first class and second class railway carriages respectively from and including 1889.
2. The average cost of earning £100 on the Victorian Railways by first class and second class carriages respectively during the same period.

6. MR. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points:—

- (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
- (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
- (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
- (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

7. MR. GRAVES: To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.

WEDNESDAY, -26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
2. MR. HAMILTON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
3. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
4. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
5. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
7. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
10. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
12. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LONGMORE: To move—

1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.

2. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That in the opinion of this House any future inquiry in the Railway Department into an accident of a serious nature should be held in public, and not in private as at present.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER:

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 25th August.

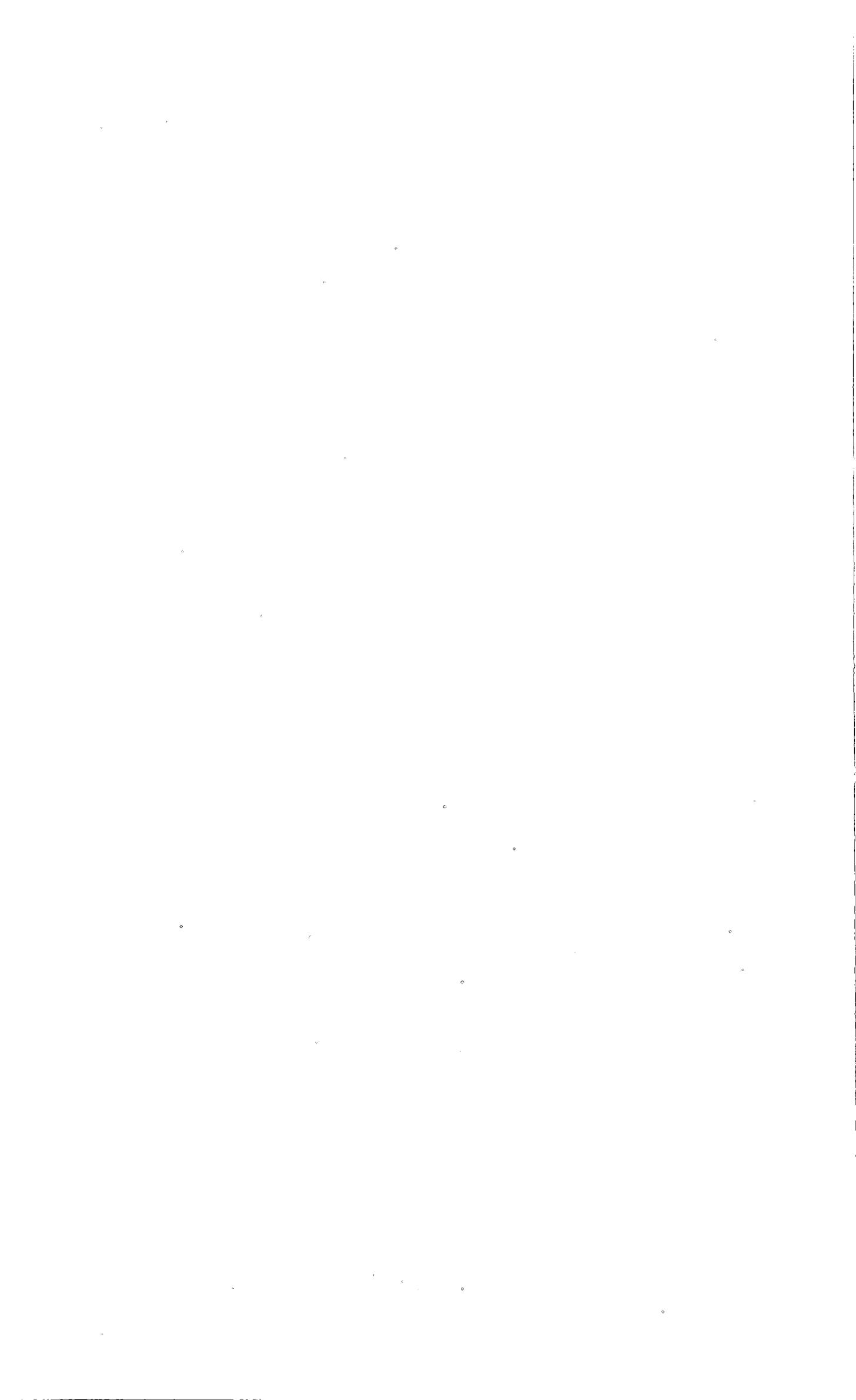
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 26th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 20TH AUGUST, 1896.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. THOMSON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture when he proposes to introduce a Bill for the compulsory dipping of sheep.
2. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether he is in regular receipt of reports from the General Agent sent to Great Britain by this colony for the purpose of endeavouring to develop greater facilities for the disposal of our agricultural and other products ; if so, will he cause such to be published for general information.
3. **MR. SALMON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Does he intend to introduce a Bill to amend the law with regard to dentists this Session ; if so, when.
 2. Will he confer with the Dental Board as to the provisions of such amending Bill.
4. **MR. BARRETT** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. Whether, in view of the urgent necessity for 'amending' the law relating to the liability of employers this Session, the Government are prepared to take charge of the Employers' Liability Law Amendment Bill now before this House.
 2. If not, will they give the Honorable Member in charge of that Bill special facilities to assist in its passage.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **TREASURY BONDS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)**—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. **INSOLVENCY, LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
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10. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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(220 copies.)

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General Business.

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15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LONGMORE: To move—

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WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

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W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 26th August.

ALFRED GODDARD—at half-past nine o'clock.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 13 and 14.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.

Division in Committee of the Whole. No. 6.

Telegraph Operators.—Petition, E.—No. 2.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the Working of the Explosives Act during the year 1895.
No. 31.

Tenth Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1895,
with an Appendix. No. 36.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it his intention to impose upon sleeper-cutters a royalty of 3d. per sleeper on all sleepers procured from State forests on and after the 1st September instant.
 2. If so, is it his intention to collect such royalty upon 60,000 sleepers let in several contracts by the Railway Department on 6th August last; tenders for which had been invited by advertisements previously, and tenders submitted for same without a knowledge of the impending royalty.
 3. Will sleeper-cutters who will be called upon to pay the said royalty be also compelled to take out the usual quarterly wood-cutter's licence, and pay the stipulated fees for same, viz., £1 per quarter.
2. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will be good enough to lay the classification scheme of the Victorian Railway employés, drawn up by the Commissioner for Railways, on the Table of the House before its final approval by the Executive Council.
3. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Government will proceed with the Bill to place the charities of the colony upon a better footing.
4. MR. MCGREGOR : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if provision will be made for telegraph boys to pass the non-clerical examination.
5. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if a responsible officer has reported as to the position of the proposed jetty at Cocoroc, for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, and if all or any portion of that work is proposed to be erected on the permanent reserve for public purposes, gazetted on the 26th May, 1873:

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. STYLES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The sums paid during the last financial year in connexion with the perishable products which passed through the Flinders-street Market buildings, viz :—
 - (a) Amount paid for rent of premises.
 - (b) Amount paid for use of machinery.
 - (c) Amount paid for working machinery.
 - (d) Any other sums paid to the City Corporation.
 2. The average cost per ton for handling, carriage, and other charges (if any) for taking the produce from the market buildings, and delivering it in the vessel's hold.
 3. The number of tons of produce exported through the premises referred to during the last financial year.
 4. The date on which the present arrangement between the Government and the City Corporation terminates.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. TREASURY BONDS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
9. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
3. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
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9. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
10. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
12. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—

1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.

2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

3. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.

4. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

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8. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.*General Business.*

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2. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

Upon the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill being called on—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Deakin, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Moule, Mr. R. Murray Smith, and Mr. Wheeler, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time ; three to be the quorum.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 1st September.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 2nd September.

ALFRED GODDARD—at ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. MCGREGOR : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if provision will be made for telegraph messengers to pass the non-clerical examination.
2. MR. THOMSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the following statement from the *Herald* newspaper of 25th August last is correct :—"Operations are proceeding to-day at the latter rate of pay, but the gang referred to in yesterday's *Herald*, who would have had only 1s. 2d. per man for a week's labour had they paid for horses and drays, were unable to get any horses and drays to work for them. They were accordingly put on higher up the bank on day labour, for which they expect to receive 6s. for eight hours."
3. MR. WEBB : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. By what authority or Act of Parliament the Railway Department through its officers have taken possession of some of the land in the construction of the Picola Railway without consulting or paying the owners of the land so taken.
 2. Has the officer in charge authority to inform the owners of the said land that unless they are prepared to take the money now offered by the Department a caveat will be lodged in the Titles Office against them dealing with their own land, and that the money offered will be passed into the Trust Funds of the colony.
 3. Have the owners of the land asked the Department to allow their claims to be settled by arbitration ; and, if so, has the Department any objection to such a course being adopted.
4. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health if, in view of the Report of the British Royal Commission against compulsory vaccination, instructions will be given for the lowest possible penalties to be inflicted on persons convicted of neglecting to have their children vaccinated.
5. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House what is the annual cost to the Department of sending engines from Seymour to assist heavily laden trains to surmount what is known as the Avenel bank ; and also if he intends to avoid this loss by regrading the line at that place forthwith.
6. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House what is the annual cost of working the electric lighting station at Spencer-street ; also the number of electric lights in use at Spencer-street, and the number of hours they are worked per night.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TREASURY BONDS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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 1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
4. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows:—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
„ £300 „ „ „ £400 ...				
„ £400 „ „ „ £500 ...				
„ £500 „ „ „ £600 ...				
„ £600 „ „ „ £700 ...				
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„ £2,000 „ „ „ £2,100				
„ £2,100 „ „ „ £2,200				
Over £2,200				

5. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

6. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not) :—

	Over £300	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

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1. MR. LONGMORE : To move—

1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.

2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.

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WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 3rd September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at ten o'clock.

Wednesday, 9th September.

ALFRED GODDARD—at ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26TH AUGUST, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 16.

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

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—

Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. Nathaniel Levi. (To Members of Council only.)

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

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

Crimes Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[56].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. T. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General whether it is his intention to reduce the present high charges levied for telephone rates.
2. MR. OUTTRIM: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether the following portion of a paragraph published in the *Castlemaine Leader* newspaper of the 15th August last is true, viz.:—"The afternoon train from Bendigo to Melbourne was considerably delayed yesterday on the line between Chewton and Elphinstone through three trucks, containing hay, becoming ignited. It is supposed that a spark from the engine alighted on the inflammable material and set it in flames." If so, what is the amount of the loss to the Department—firstly, the amount paid as compensation for the hay; and, secondly, the value of the rolling-stock destroyed.
3. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. Was the statement made by Mr. Pharez Phillips at Mildura, on 31st August last, as reported in the *Argus* newspaper of 1st September instant, made by the authority of the Minister, viz.:—"That the bonus for the 1895 raisins was on the Estimates, and would shortly be paid to the Mildura people."
 2. If so, is it correct that the bonus is on the Estimates.
 3. On what part of the Estimates does it appear.
 4. When will the bonus be paid.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TREASURY BONDS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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General Business.

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2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES' REGULATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

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

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 8th September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at half-two o'clock.

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

Wednesday, 9th September.

ALFRED GODDARD—at ten o'clock. °

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part II.—Interchange. No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. LONGMORE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. For what public purpose sums amounting to £22,000 or thereabouts were paid to Holloway and Macredie for certain blocks in the mallee.
 2. Whether such public purpose has been carried out.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if, as the commercial community feel much interest in the matter, he will furnish an explanation in reply to the letter of Messrs. C. Atkins and Co., in the *Argus* and *Age* newspapers of the 8th inst., in regard to the mode of registration of addresses by the Telegraph Department.
3. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will explain the method adopted for reducing the applicants for the position of Inspector of Factories to the number of twelve, and the points taken into consideration in connexion therewith.
4. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. On what basis the sum provided for professional assistance in his Department is disbursed.
 2. Has he any objection to furnishing a list of those who have participated in Government work, with the sums received by them.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TREASURY BONDS BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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

2. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
3. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that pensioners who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum should have their pensions increased to that amount.
4. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
5. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
6. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
7. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
- The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - The suitability of the present polling places.
 - The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.
8. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary ; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.
9. MR. ROGERS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.
10. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
11. MR. WEBB : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 - The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 - The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
12. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300 " " " " £400 ...				
" £400 " " " " £500 ...				
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" £2,100 " " " " £2,200				
Over £2,200 				

13. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

14. MR. McCAY: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

- MR. STERRY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is not an arrangement in his Department that bonuses should be paid to gangers who, in the opinion of the inspectors, kept the permanent way under their charge in the best order; and, if so, when will such bonuses be payable.
- MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if, in view of the success and benefit to the colony that followed from the information gained at the last Mining Exhibition, he will give effect to the suggestions contained in the *Age* newspaper of the 7th inst., relative to holding another Exhibition of Mining Machinery, &c; and, if so, when.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
- EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
- TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.
- MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL—Second reading.
- HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
- DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
- TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
- NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- MR. ZOX: To move, That in the opinion of this House any future inquiry in the Railway Department into an accident of a serious nature should be held in public, and not in private as at present.
- MR. HIGGINS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 9th September.

ALFRED GODDARD—at ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at a quarter-past ten o'clock.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 17 and 18.

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

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

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 30 and 31.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 7.

Public Service Board Report. No. 16.

Royal Commission on Water Supply.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to the financial position and prospects of the various Local Bodies that have obtained Loans from the State for the construction of works of Water Supply, &c., &c.; with Appendices.

No. 20.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 33.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. FOSTER : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to subsidize and enable companies to further develop gold mining and for other purposes.
2. MR. BEST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* and for other purposes.
3. MR. BEST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of powder magazines, and to authorize the construction by the State of a tramway to such magazines.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KENNEDY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. STERRY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is not an arrangement in his Department that bonuses should be paid to gangers who, in the opinion of the inspectors, kept the permanent way under their charge in the best order; and, if so, when will such bonuses be payable.
2. MR. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if, in view of the success and benefit to the colony that followed from the information gained at the last Mining Exhibition, he will give effect to the suggestions contained in the *Age* newspaper of the 7th inst., relative to holding another Exhibition of Mining Machinery, &c.; and, if so, when.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Why have railway employes, who have been entitled to be supplied with uniforms since the year 1874, not been supplied with the same for the last three years.
 2. Will the arrears be paid to officers entitled thereto, in consequence of uniforms not having been supplied during the last three years.
 3. Will the Minister instruct the Commissioner to continue the original practice of paying a yearly sum equal to the cost of uniforms, or will he supply the uniforms.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
4. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
10. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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3. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
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WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*

1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 10th September.

ALFRED GODDARD—at twelve o'clock.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 15th September.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

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

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. T. Smith. (To Members only.)

Report of the Waterworks Inquiry Board, 1893. July, 1894. No. 43.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. STERRY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether it is not an arrangement in his Department that bonuses should be paid to gangers who, in the opinion of the inspectors, kept the permanent way under their charge in the best order; and, if so, when will such bonuses be payable.
2. MR. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if, in view of the success and benefit to the colony that followed from the information gained at the last Mining Exhibition, he will give effect to the suggestions contained in the *Age* newspaper of the 7th inst., relative to holding another Exhibition of Mining Machinery, &c.; and, if so, when.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Why have railway employes, who have been entitled to be supplied with uniforms since the year 1874, not been supplied with the same for the last three years.
 2. Will the arrears be paid to officers entitled thereto, in consequence of uniforms not having been supplied during the last three years.
 3. Will the Minister instruct the Commissioner to continue the original practice of paying a yearly sum equal to the cost of uniforms, or will he supply the uniforms.
4. MR. LONGMORE: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he has seen the reply of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to a deputation of licensed victuallers *re* Mr. Lormer sitting on the Bench when licensing cases are before it; and, if so, what course he intends to pursue with reference to such reply.
5. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether it is true that the Government is about to send an officer of the Geological Department to Europe; if so, for what purpose is such officer being sent, and what is the scope of the duties he will perform.
6. MR. IRVINE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it a fact that certain transfers of mallee allotments have been refused on the ground that the transferees would thereby become lessees of more than 640 acres.
 2. What is the principle acted on by the Department with respect to such transfers.
7. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he proposes to take any action to stop or restrain the illegal occupation of Crown lands at Cocoroc, near Werrabee, by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, and to preserve this valuable "permanent public reserve" from being seized upon by a few private persons.
8. MR. IRVINE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Has his attention been directed to the numerous complaints which have been made as to the operation of the *Mallee-Lands Act* 1895, requiring Threepence per acre to be paid by lessees of mallee allotments for leave to cultivate, irrespective of the amount of land cultivated or capable of being cultivated in each allotment.
 2. If so, is he prepared to introduce a Bill to rectify this anomaly in the existing law.
9. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. If the regulations under which the Boards provided for by the *Factories and Shops Act* 1896 are to be elected are framed.
 2. When will the elections of such Boards take place.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Local Government Act 1890*, so as to prevent "plumping" at municipal elections.
2. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act, Amendment Act 1890*, so as to prevent "plumping" at parliamentary elections.
3. MR. DOWNWARD: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of electors on the rolls for each electorate in the colony.
4. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Patents Act 1890*.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

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 1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER. (After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 5)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion;

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 15th September.

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

Wednesday, 16th September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

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

Royal Commission on Water Supply.—Minutes of Evidence. No. 21.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether it is true that the Government is about to send an officer of the Geological Department to Europe ; if so, for what purpose is such officer being sent, and what is the scope of the duties he will perform.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health when the representations of the deputation that waited upon him with reference to certain alleged irregularities that have taken place in the St. Kilda Cemetery will be inquired into.
3. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will take immediate steps to have the floors of all sheep trucks relaid with the patent floor, so as to prevent the ever-recurring loss to farmers and graziers who are compelled to load their sheep and lambs in the old trucks.
4. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will try the experiment of letting the first portion of the works on the north side of the river in connexion with the Yarra Relief Works by contract, and provide for the payment of the minimum rate of wage.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL—Second reading.
2. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
4. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
7. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
8. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
10. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

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WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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Number of such employés receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
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2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 16th September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 19.

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

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 32, 33, and 34.

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

The Constitution Act Amendment Bill—[8].

Mining Development Bill—[43].

Servants' Registry Offices Bill—[55].

Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of selecting Localities for the Permanent Survey of Narrow-gauge Lines; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence. Report No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 36.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. STAUGHTON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the annual cost of supplying the Sunbury Lunatic Asylum with water.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That in the opinion of this House any future inquiry in the Railway Department into an accident of a serious nature should be held in public, and not in private as at present.
2. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
3. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
5. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
6. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
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WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
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2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.
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WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 17th September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.
Licensing Amendment Bill (No 3)—[69].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 37.

TUESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Question.

1. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—

1. Whether a statement in the *Age* newspaper of the 17th inst., to the effect that the committee of the Prahran Mechanics' Institute has refused to admit two reputable citizens of that city—namely, Mr. J. B. Crews, J.P., and Mr. John Hinde—as members of such institute, is correct.
2. If so, will he take such steps as the Crown Law Department may advise to compel the committee of the institute (which was erected partly by money given by the State upon land given by Mr. James Mason for that purpose, and subsequently supported by annual grants from the Government) to admit the public to such institute.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the annual cost of supplying the Sunbury Lunatic Asylum with water.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That in the opinion of this House any future inquiry in the Railway Department into an accident of a serious nature should be held in public, and not in private as at present.
2. MR. HIGGINS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.
3. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
4. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
5. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
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 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
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WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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Total amount of such remuneration ...				
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2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.
3. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
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WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

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W. V. ROBINSON,
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*GRAHAM BERRY,
*Speaker.***MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.***Tuesday, 22nd September.*

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 38.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the annual cost of supplying the Sunbury Lunatic Asylum with water.
2. MR. E. D. WILLIAMS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Will he, in consequence of the disclosures that appeared in the *Age* newspaper on Thursday, the 17th inst., in the case of *Kelson v. David Henry*, bring in a Bill to amend the laws regulating the rates of interest charged by money-lenders.
 2. If the Government will not bring in a Bill for the object above mentioned and one is introduced by a private Member, will the Honorable the Attorney-General promise that an early opportunity will be afforded for considering such Bill.
3. MR. MCGREGOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he can state definitely when he intends introducing the amending Mines Bill.
4. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will take steps to send to London or Europe for sale a trial consignment of Victorian grown tobacco graded and selected by Mr. Bondurant, the American Tobacco Expert from Virginia, now under engagement to his Department, the present season being the best to make any selection decided on.
5. MR. ZOx: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will obtain from the Police Department a report as to the circumstances under which two alleged lunatics charged at the Fitzroy Police Court on 22nd September inst., and stated to have come from New Zealand, arrived in this colony.
6. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the correspondence which has taken place between the Honorable the Solicitor-General and Judge Molesworth relative to the unavoidable absence of the latter from his duties during a period of 48 hours.
7. MR. BOWSER: To ask the Honorable the Premier (for the Honorable the Minister of Defence) if he will grant 200 rounds of Martini-Henry ammunition to each first, second, and third class shot in the Rifle Clubs of the colony, in lieu of effective allowance withdrawn.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

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3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
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 - The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
11. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300 " " " £400 ...				
" £400 " " " £500 ...				
" £500 " " " £600 ...				
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12. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
13. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- The names of the guards and porters (now engaged as such) in the Railway Service who were employed prior to 1874, and who have since that year received allowances in lieu of the departmental supply of uniforms.
 - The amount received by each.
 - The years in which allowances were paid.

14. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of free-holders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—

- (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 (b) " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
 (c) " " £100 and £200 "
 (d) " " £200 and £500 "
 (e) " " over £500 capital value.

15. MR. HIGGINS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of section 111 of the *Local Government Act 1891* to the Town of Geelong.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

3. **MR. SALMON:** To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
4. **MR. LONGMORE:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER;

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 23rd September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 29th September.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 20.

Life Assurance Companies Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. G. Godfrey on recomittal. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 35, 36, and 37.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 38.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 8.

Employers' Liability Law Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl. (To Members only.)

Report from the Select Committee upon the case of Alfred Goddard; together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and an Appendix. D.—No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 39.

THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of the guards and porters (now engaged as such) in the Railway Service who were employed prior to 1874, and who have since that year received allowances in lieu of the departmental supply of uniforms.
 2. The amount received by each.
 3. The years in which allowances were paid.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. E. D. WILLIAMS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Will he, in consequence of the disclosures that appeared in the *Age* newspaper on Thursday, the 17th inst., in the case of *Kelson v. David Henry*, bring in a Bill to amend the laws regulating the rates of interest charged by money-lenders.
 2. If the Government will not bring in a Bill for the object above mentioned and one is introduced by a private Member, will the Honorable the Attorney-General promise that an early opportunity will be afforded for considering such Bill.
2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the correspondence which has taken place between the Honorable the Solicitor-General and Judge Molesworth relative to the unavoidable absence of the latter from his duties during a period of 48 hours.
3. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the proposed Bill to amend the *Income Tax Act 1895* will provide that persons whose incomes are under £200 may make a statutory declaration to that effect without being compelled to furnish returns.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

(220 copies.)

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES, REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.
3. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
5. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
6. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.
7. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary ; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.

8. **MR. ROGERS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.
9. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
10. **MR. WEBB** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
11. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300 " " " £400 ...				
" £400 " " " £500 ...				
" £500 " " " £600 ...				
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12. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
13. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
- (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - (b) " " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
 - (c) " " " £100 and £200 "
 - (d) " " " £200 and £500 "
 - (e) " " " over £500 capital value.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GRAHAM** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 24th September.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 29th September.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 39.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 40.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. E. D. WILLIAMS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—

1. Will he, in consequence of the disclosures that appeared in the *Age* newspaper on Thursday, the 17th inst., in the case of *Kelson v. David Henry*, bring in a Bill to amend the laws regulating the rates of interest charged by money-lenders.

2. If the Government will not bring in a Bill for the object above mentioned and one is introduced by a private Member, will the Honorable the Attorney-General promise that an early opportunity will be afforded for considering such Bill.

2. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the correspondence which has taken place between the Honorable the Solicitor-General and Judge Molesworth relative to the unavoidable absence of the latter from his duties during a period of 48 hours.

3. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the proposed Bill to amend the *Income Tax Act 1895* will provide that persons whose incomes are under £200 may make a statutory declaration to that effect without being compelled to furnish returns.

4. MR. ZOx : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has yet obtained from the Police Department a report as to the circumstances under which two alleged lunatics charged at the Fitzroy Police Court on 22nd September inst., and stated to have come from New Zealand, arrived in this colony.

5. MR. WEBB : To ask the Honorable the Premier the names of the officers appointed to inquire into the stores supply of the Government, and the scope of their inquiry.

6. MR. BARRETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will inform the House how many (if any) tobacco factories are now working under the £5 licence-fee ; also where these factories are situated, and what is their annual output.

7. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has any objection to inform the House—

1. How many telegraph messengers are there in the Postal Department, and between what ages are they employed ; also what salaries do they receive, and what hours do they work.

2. How many of them are performing operators' duties solely, and do those performing operators' duties receive any allowance ; if so, how much.

3. Is there any hope of their promotion.

8. MR. BARRETT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to take any steps to prevent Chinese manufacturers and employers from exercising a dominant influence over the Boards to be shortly appointed in the furniture trade under the *Factories and Shops Act 1896*.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
11. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not) :—

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Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
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 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
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7. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary ; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
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2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 29th September.

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

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 40.

Geelong Streets Bill—[77].

Mildura Settlement.—Report of the Mildura Royal Commission. No. 19.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 41.

WEDNESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Whether his attention has been called to the matter of the prosecution of the licensee of Parer's Hotel for allowing improper characters to be served on his premises, reported in the *Herald* newspaper of 6th August last.
 2. On what ground and under what authority did the counsel for the Crown, on the appeal to General Sessions (*Argus*, 11th September instant), consent to the conviction being quashed.
 3. Why was not notice given to the justices who convicted before counsel for the Crown gave such a consent.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has received a report by Mr. Detective McManamny (who visited Kerang on the 14th August last for the purpose of inquiring into the matter) upon the smuggling of cattle and sheep across the Lower Murray from New South Wales into Victoria; if so, will he place a copy of it on the table of the Library.
3. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Is it a fact that Civil Servants who receive permission from the Public Service Board to exchange from one Mutual Life Assurance Company to another do not receive surrender value from the company from which they withdraw, thus losing all that has been paid in for a term of years?
 2. If so, will the Government make arrangements to place those in the Service on the same footing as the ordinary insurer.
4. MR. GRAY: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if it is a fact that the Postal Department are taking up the position that transfers of station-masters to stations with post-offices are new appointments, and decline to make any allowance to such station-masters for doing post-office work.
5. MR. SALMON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will frame regulations whereby local candidates for pupil teacherships will have their claims to consideration more fully recognised than they have hitherto been.
6. MR. BEAZLEY: To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Bill to deal with the percentage reductions in the Public Service will be brought in.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. COOK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. How many telegraph messengers are employed in the Postal Department.
 2. Between what ages they are employed, and what salaries they receive.
 3. What hours they work.
 4. How many of them are performing operators' duties solely, and whether those performing operators' duties receive any allowance; if so, how much.
 5. In what order they are promoted, if at all.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FOSTER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Mines Acts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. STATE BANK AND SAVINGS BANKS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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6. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
9. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
11. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
12. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3)—Second reading.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
5. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in view of the fact as reported that Mr. Lascelles refuses to cultivate the 125,000 acres on Tyrrell Downs Station, on the terms sanctioned by this House; the resolution passed on 15th September, 1896, be read and rescinded.
2. MR. MURRAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers and correspondence in connexion with the appointment of Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray as Railways Commissioners, and of their retirement from those positions.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. ZOx : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—

1. Has he considered the remarks of His Honour Mr. Justice Williams, as reported in the *Argus* newspaper of 23rd September, 1896, in regard to the "age of consent" under the *Crimes Act* 1891.
2. Does he propose to take any steps to alter the existing law.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employes receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

3. **MR. SALMON** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
4. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
5. **MR. MURRAY** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
6. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
- The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - The suitability of the present polling places.
 - The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.
7. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary ; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.
8. **MR. ROGERS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.
9. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
10. **MR. WEBB** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
- The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
 - The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
 - The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.
11. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
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12. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
13. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
- Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - " " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
 - " " " £100 and £200 "
 - " " " £200 and £500 "
 - " " " over £500 capital value.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 6th October.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

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

Bills, how dealt with by both Houses, 1881 to 1895-6.—Return to an Order of the Legislative Council. C.1.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 38, 39, and 40.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 41.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 42.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1896.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. MURRAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers and correspondence in connexion with the appointment of Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray as Railways Commissioners, and with their retirement from those positions.
2. MR. ROGERS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATE BANK AND SAVINGS BANKS BILL—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
6. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
10. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
12. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAY : To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Has he considered the remarks of His Honour Mr. Justice Williams, as reported in the *Argus* newspaper of 23rd September, 1896, in regard to the "age of consent" under the *Crimes Act* 1891.
 2. Does he propose to take any steps to alter the existing law.
2. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will frame regulations whereby local candidates for pupil teacherships will have their claims to consideration more fully recognised than they have hitherto been.
3. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the return ordered by the House on 11th August last, re cost of railway works, will be laid on the Table of the House.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

2. MR. MCCAY: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

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Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
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Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

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

4. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of

5. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.

6. MR. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points:—

(a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.

(b) The suitability of the present polling places.

(c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.

(d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

7. MR. GRAVES: To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.

8. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.

9. MR. WEBB: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.

2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.

3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.

10. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

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11. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of, all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
12. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
- Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - " " " " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
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 - " " " " " £200 and £500 "
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13. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in view of the fact as reported that Mr. Lascelles refuses to cultivate the 125,000 acres on Tyrrell Downs Station, on the terms sanctioned by this House, the resolution passed on 15th September, 1896, be read and rescinded.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

— ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
- PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- GEE LONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
- SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
- DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
- TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
- NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

- MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
- MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 7th October.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 42.

Factories and Shops Act Amendment Bill—[82].

Mining Development Bill.—Amendments and new clauses to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part III.—Finance, &c. No. 6.

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1896, to 30th June, 1896. No. 44.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 43.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Has he considered the remarks of His Honour Mr. Justice Williams, as reported in the *Argus* newspaper of 23rd September, 1896, in regard to the "age of consent" under the *Crimes Act* 1891.
 2. Does he propose to take any steps to alter the existing law.
2. MR. SALMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will frame regulations whereby local candidates for pupil teacherships will have their claims to consideration more fully recognised than they have hitherto been.
3. MR. CRAVEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will grant to the miners in the Yackandandah and Upper Murray districts the same privilege that is enjoyed by miners in other parts of the colony, viz., that of having railway tickets issued to them at reduced rates to enable them to visit their families in Melbourne or elsewhere upon a certificate of their *bona fides* from the secretary of the local branch of the Amalgamated Miners' Association.
4. MR. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will accept personal securities or satisfactory recommendations in lieu of a cash deposit on behalf of needy workmen, so as to enable them to tender for cutting tracks, races, &c., where the total work does not exceed £200.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. MURRAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers and correspondence in connexion with the appointment of Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray as Railways Commissioners, and with their retirement from those positions.
2. MR. CARTER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing, with regard to the Coburg and Brunswick lines, to 30th June, 1896—
 1. Number of passengers carried.
 2. Detail of fares.
 3. Total income.
 4. Expenses with interest and without.
 5. Profit or loss on running.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
3. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
6. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
9. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
11. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
12. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAY : To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

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TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
- PATENTS ACT 1890—AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
- SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
- DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
- SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
- TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
- SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
- NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 7th October.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPER ISSUED 1ST OCTOBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 43.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 44.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will take into consideration the necessity for amending the law relating to vaccination.
2. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General—
 1. In about how many places post-offices have been closed during the past year and the loose-bag system substituted.
 2. If some information will be available to the public to ascertain at what times these loose-bags are despatched.
3. **MR. OUTTRIM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if seniority as a shunter counts from the time of appointment as shunter, in the same way as with the signalmán.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
11. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
2. **MR. McCAY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

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Number of such employés receiving remuneration				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

13. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in view of the fact as reported, that Mr. Lascelles refuses to cultivate the 125,000 acres on Tyrrell Downs Station, on the terms sanctioned by this House, the resolution passed on 15th September, 1896, be read and rescinded.
14. MR. GRAY: To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
5. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRAHAM: To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.

W. V. ROBINSON,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1ST OCTOBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 21.

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

Factories and Shops Amendment Bill—[82]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 41, 42, and 43.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 44.

Mining Development Bill.—Amendment to be proposed on consideration of Report. (To Members only.)

Railways constructed under the Butty-gang System.—Return to an Order of the House. C.—No. 3.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the year ending 30th June, 1896. No. 38.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 45.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
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11. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. VALE : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention ; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. KENNEDY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
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 1. If his attention has been directed to a quartz gold mining company intituled "The American Quartz Mining Company, Cay's Diggings, Laanecoorie."
 2. Does he know how the company is being managed, who are the directors of the said company, and who is the legal manager of the same.
 3. If not, will he cause inquiries to be made by his Department whereby the shareholders in the said company may be fully protected.
3. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs why he has not proclaimed a close season for fish in the northern rivers, after having given one month's notice of his intention to do so.
4. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. For what purpose Circular No. 132 has been issued to Crown lands bailiffs by the Department of Lands and Survey.
 2. Upon the information therein demanded being supplied, what course does the Honorable the Minister intend to pursue.

5. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
1. Has he noticed the remarks made *re* Melbourne meat supply by a Commission which lately visited Victoria on behalf of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly.
 2. Is it intended to remedy the defects pointed out, and also to deal with the evils of diseased meat and unclean milk, as brought under notice on many occasions recently.
 3. When will a Bill dealing with the food supply be introduced.
6. **MR. GROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he proposes to appoint the Commission to report on the subject of old-age pensions.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question—*That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 8th October.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 7TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Coroners Bill—[70].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 45.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 46.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. KENNEDY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—

1. If the new regulations recently introduced to regulate the crossing of stock from Victoria into New South Wales, more particularly that relating to compulsory branding of stock, apply to *bona fide* holders of land on both sides of the river.
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2. Does he know how the company is being managed, who are the directors of the said company, and who is the legal manager of the same.
3. If not, will he cause inquiries to be made by his Department whereby the shareholders in the said company may be fully protected.

3. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs why he has not proclaimed a close season for fish in the northern rivers, after having given one month's notice of his intention to do so.

4. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—

1. For what purpose Circular No. 132 has been issued to Crown lands bailiffs by the Department of Lands and Survey.
2. Upon the information therein demanded being supplied, what course does the Honorable the Minister intend to pursue.

5. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Premier—

1. Has he noticed the remarks made *re* Melbourne meat supply by a Commission which lately visited Victoria on behalf of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly.
2. Is it intended to remedy the defects pointed out, and also to deal with the evils of diseased meat and unclean milk, as brought under notice on many occasions recently.
3. When will a Bill dealing with the food supply be introduced.

6. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he proposes to appoint the Commission to report on the subject of old-age pensions.

7. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause the reports of his officers on gold discoveries, and other topics of current interest relating to mining, to be printed in a handy form and made available to the public, as received from time to time, instead of as at present; being reserved for the large annual Report.

8. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will state—

1. How many telegraph messengers are there performing mail guards' duties.
2. How long have they been doing these duties.
3. Does the Honorable the Postmaster-General intend to classify them.

9. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—

1. Whether Mr. Walter Madden has tendered his resignation as a member of the Agricultural College Council; if so, has such been accepted.
2. If such vacancy exists, does he intend to take any action to refill that office; and, if not,
3. Does he intend to remodel or abolish such Council; if so, upon what basis does he propose to manage the Agricultural College and Model Farms in the future.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

2. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890. FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.

(220 copies.)

4. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
5. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
6. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.
8. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
10. RUPANUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
11. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. VALE : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention ; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
5. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
3. MR. McCAY : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés; whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200. to £300.	From £100. to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration ...				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6 ...				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question—*That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 13th October.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 46.

Mining Development Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Foster on consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1896. No. 48.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 47.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause the reports of his officers on gold discoveries, and other topics of current interest relating to mining, to be printed in a handy form and made available to the public, as received from time to time, instead of as at present, being reserved for the large annual Report.
2. MR. DOWNWARD : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state what was the consumption of coal in the Railway Department during the past twelve months; also, what quantity of coal passed through the Korumburra station for the use of the Department from the 1st February, 1896, up to the present time.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 1. Has the Government any objection to take steps for securing to Victorian inventors the protection afforded by the International Union of Industrial Property.
 2. Is any legislation necessary to secure to Victoria the above advantages.
 3. By what European countries and British Possessions are the privileges to foreign countries, as granted by section 56 of the *Patents Act* 1890, not reciprocated to Victoria.
 4. Are any countries reciprocating with Victoria under sections 54 to 56 of the *Patents Act* 1890.
4. MR. BARRETT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. If his attention has been called to the heroic conduct of Constable Patrick Pigott, who, at the risk of his own life, entered a burning building on the 10th September last in Drummond-street, Carlton, and rescued Margaret Heagney and her mistress, Mrs. Brodie, who subsequently died from injuries received.
 2. Will the Department either by promotion or otherwise recognise the conduct of the constable.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ISAACS. A. ISAACS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the prevention of usury.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4)—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
2. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.
6. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. RUFANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
10. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
3. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
5. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.

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8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
9. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
10. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. VALE : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention ; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will state—
 1. How many telegraph messengers are there performing mail guards' duties.
 2. How long have they been doing these duties.
 3. Does the Honorable the Postmaster-General intend to classify them.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
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 1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employes of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employes, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

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Number of such employes receiving remuneration				
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Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.
4. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
5. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
6. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
7. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 14th October.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at ten minutes to eleven o'clock.

Thursday, 15th October.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 20th October.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8TH OCTOBER, 1896.

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

Companies Bill—[19]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 44, 45, and 46.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 47.

Mines Bill—[5].

Insolvency Bill 1896.—To be proposed by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs on recomittal, consideration of Report, or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1896. No. 45.

Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1896. No. 49.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Further consideration of Report.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.
8. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
10. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will state—
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4. MR. RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 1. Whether the method adopted for carrying out the Yarra Improvement Works has been recommended by the Inspector-General of Public Works.
 2. Whether the Inspector-General thinks the method is the best and most economical that can be adopted under the circumstances.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country.
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 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

7. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary ; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.
8. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
9. **MR. BROMLEY** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
10. **MR. ZOZ** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
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| (a) | Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value. |
| (b) | „ „ between £50 and £100 capital value. |
| (c) | „ „ „ £100 and £200 „ |
| (d) | „ „ „ £200 and £500 „ |
| (e) | „ „ over £500 capital value. |
11. **MR. GRAY** : To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.
12. **MR. VALE** : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention ; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—Resumption of debate on the question—**
1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. **PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.**
3. **PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.**
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.**
5. **PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.**
6. **GEE LONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.**
7. **SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.**
8. **DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.**
9. **SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.**
10. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.**
11. **TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.**
12. **SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.**
13. **NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.**
14. **LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.**

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 15th October.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
 MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 20th October.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Factories and Shops Act 1896 Amendment Bill.—New Clauses to be proposed. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 48.

State Bank Bill—[12].

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Sir John McIntyre. (To Members only.)

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict. cap. 55, during the year 1895-6. No. 47.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 49.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will state—
 1. How many telegraph messengers are there performing mail guards' duties.
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 1. Whether the method adopted for carrying out the Yarra Improvement Works has been recommended by the Inspector-General of Public Works.
 2. Whether the Inspector-General thinks the method is the best and most economical that can be adopted under the circumstances.
5. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the letter which appeared in the *Argus* newspaper of Thursday, 15th October instant, from Dr. Smart, having reference to the insanitary condition of the Kew Asylum grounds, and if he will take immediate steps to ascertain the accuracy of the statements therein contained, and obtain a report from the Superintendent of the asylum thereon.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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9. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That in the opinion of this House the office of Agent-General as at present constituted should be abolished at the end of December next.
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WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
2. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
3. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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5. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
7. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890, FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL, (No. 2)—Second reading.
11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
12. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
14. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 20th October.

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

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

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State Bank Bill.—Memorandum. (To Members only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1896.

Question.

1. MR. KIRTON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Solicitor-General)—
 1. Whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the fact that Mr. Leader, P.M., still presides over courts in the Ballarat district.
 2. Does he not think it desirable, in view of the evidence in the case of the Queen against Tuthill, to take steps to transfer Mr. Leader to some other district.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
4. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
6. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
9. CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
 2. That purchased land held to the extent of 4,000 acres of first-class land, or 5,000 acres of second-class land, or 6,000 acres of third-class land, or 7,000 acres of fourth-class land, as set out by the *Land Tax Act 1877*, held by one family, shall not be considered a large estate for the purpose of this motion.
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 5. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
 6. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
 7. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
 8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 9. SHEPPARION RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
 10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
 11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
 12. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
 13. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
 14. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

W. V. ROBINSON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 21st October.

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Mining Development Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Amendment Bill—

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

New clause to be proposed by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

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Constitution Act Amendment Bill—

New clauses to be proposed by Mr. T. Smith and Mr. J. B. Tucker. (To Members only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 51.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
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12. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.* (After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

W. V. ROBINSON,
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Customs Bill 1896.—Amendments and new clauses to be proposed by Mr. Best. (To Members only.)

Explosives Bill 1896.—New clause and amendment to be proposed by Mr. Best. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 52.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

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Government Business.

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3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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12. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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General Business.

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TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 27th October.

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

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at half-past two o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND OCTOBER, 1896

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 52.

Game Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Grattan. (To Members only.)

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 53.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Is it a fact that the Goulburn Valley Railway line is undermanned and not sufficiently supplied with rolling-stock, and that in consequence the trains are running most irregularly as to time.
 2. If not, what is the cause of the trains running often an hour and over late during the past month.
2. MR. T. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If a firm named "Dalton" have a contract for building a number of railway trucks ; and, if so, does the specification say, the minimum rate of wage is to be paid.
 2. What is the Government minimum rate of wage paid in railway contracts for rolling-stock.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PEACOCK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Aliens Act* 1890.
2. MR. TAVERNER : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act* 1890 and for other purposes.
3. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the Sessional Order appointing the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business be rescinded, and that the following be adopted in place thereof, viz.:—That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business ; that Four o'clock p.m. be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Half-past One o'clock p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, and Ten o'clock a.m. on Friday ; that on Friday Government business shall have precedence of all other business ; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading.—*Resumption of debate.*
4. RUFANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
5. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
6. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
8. CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
11. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS—*Resumption of debate on the question—*
 1. That with the view of enabling our railways to pay and thus assist in bringing back prosperity to this country, the owners of large estates of country lands should be called upon by the Government to sell during next year, in the open market, land held by them within three miles of any railway running through or close to such purchased land, under conditions to be prepared and passed by Parliament, provided that not more than one-tenth of any such large estate shall be so required to be sold in any one year.
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8. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
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11. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
2. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 28th October.

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

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND OCTOBER, 1896.

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

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 50, 51, and 52.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 53.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 54.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
4. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
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8. CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. ALIENS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Second reading.
12. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

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

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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8. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
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13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.*

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 29th October.

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at two o'clock.

Wednesday, 4th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 24, 25, and 26.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27.

Mining Development Bill—

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

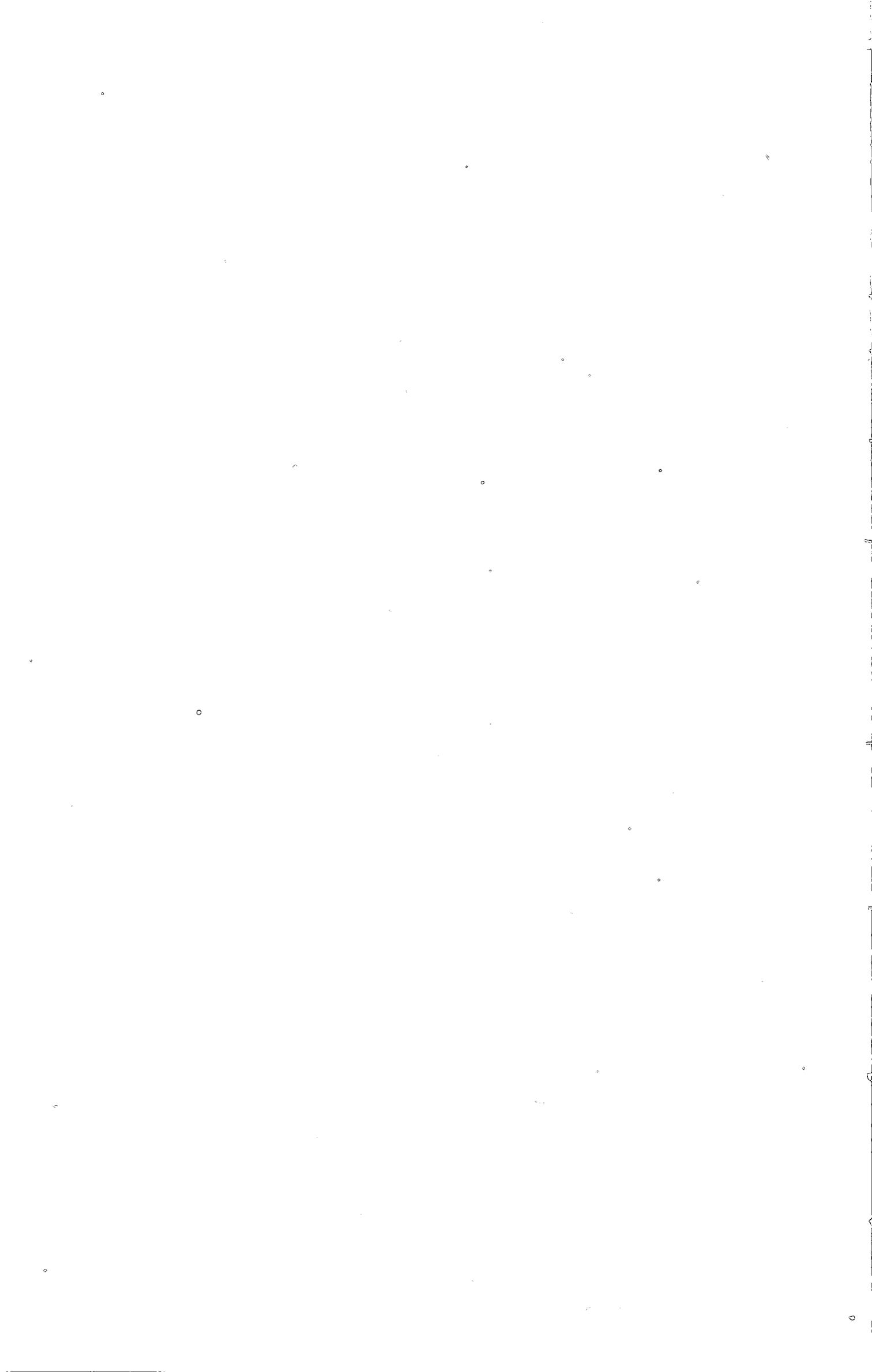
New clause to be proposed by the Hon. Sir A. Snowden. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 54.

Customs Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendment and new clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Best. (To Members only.)

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Pilotage Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 31st December, 1895; together with the Audit Commissioners' Certificate thereon. No. 10.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part IV.—Accumulation. No. 39.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 55.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. MCKENZIE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is a fact that while Sunday pay has recently been granted to officers and employes in the clerical branch of the Department, it has been withheld from the signalmen, shunters, and engine and carriage cleaners; and, if so, whether he will take steps to provide for all employes in his Department being fully paid for Sunday labour.
2. MR. MCGREGOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will arrange to have the inspectors and permanent way men paid their salaries before the 8th day of the month.
3. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. If the bonuses due by the Department to growers have been paid.
 2. If not, how much is now unpaid.
 3. What is the reason for the non-payment.
 4. When will they be paid.
4. MR. T. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what was the reason given by the Korumburra Coal Company as to their inability to supply the full quantity of coal under their contract.
5. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he is aware that one of the Supreme Court Judges contemplates resigning his position; if so, is it the intention of the Government, in view of the great decrease of business, in the Law Courts, to fill the vacancy by the appointment of another gentleman to the Supreme Court Bench.
6. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he will state what steps he has taken to give effect to the recommendations of the Railways Standing Committee with regard to the permanent surveys of narrow-gauge lines contained in the Committee's Report presented to this House on the 18th August last.
 2. Is it the intention of the Honorable the Minister to submit to the House this Session any proposals for the construction of narrow-gauge lines in country districts.
7. MR. CARTER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the return relating to the Coburg and Brunswick lines ordered by the House on the 6th October last will be laid on the Table.
8. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Report of the Mildura Commission will be considered and dealt with.
9. MR. GRATAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if, in view of the desirability and importance of an understanding being arrived at on the subject without delay, he will give this House an opportunity during the present Session of expressing an opinion as to the advisability of adopting certain recommendations of the Royal Commission on Water Supply bearing upon the reduction of interest and sinking fund on loans granted to certain Water and Irrigation Trusts.
10. MR. COOK: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the present governor of the Beechworth Gaol has attained the age of 60 years; and, if so, why is he being retained in his position.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. GRAVES: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of the Government auditors under the *Local Government Act 1890* who have held office during the past two years.
 2. The names of the respective shires audited by them.
 3. The amount each of these auditors respectively received.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ALIENS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL—Second reading.
3. CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Second reading.
7. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
9. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
10. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895, and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum, should have their pensions increased to that amount.
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3. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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12. MR. HAMILTON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons residing in the colony who are eligible to hold a seat in the Legislative Council.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
6. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
8. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
9. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
12. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
2. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.***MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.***Wednesday, 4th November.*

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

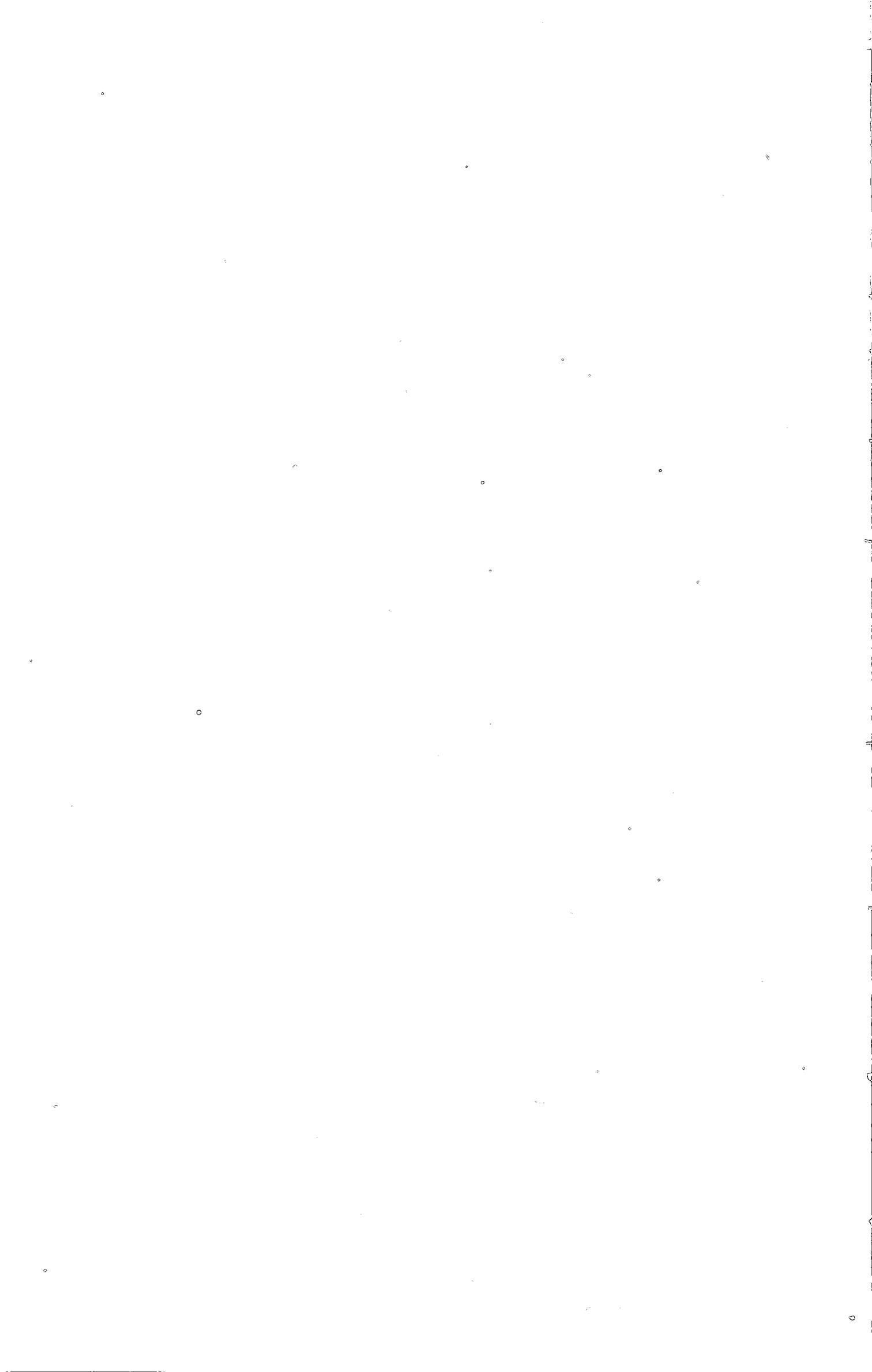
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.

Minutes of Evidence taken by the Committee of the Cabinet on the Law relating to Insolvency. (To Members of Council only).

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 55.

Aliens Bill—[44].

The Constitution Act Amendment Bill—[73].



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 56.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FOSTER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as loans for water supply and irrigation works in the country districts and for other purposes.
2. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to ratify the method of distributing the endowment to municipalities and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Second reading.
3. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
8. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will, during the present Session, bring in a short measure to carry out the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Water Supply to reduce the interest payable by Water Trusts from 6 per cent. to 4½ per cent.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
4. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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6. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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8. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
9. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

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10. SHEPPARION RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
12. TAJURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

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Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 5th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

- Mining Development Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only)
- Life Assurance Companies Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Agar Wynne. (To Members of Council only.)
- Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. F. S. Grimwade. (To Members of Council only.)
- Factories and Shops Act 1896 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert in substitution for those previously issued. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 53, 54, and 55.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 56.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 11.

Powder Magazines Bill—[26].

Rupanyup and Banyena Railway Construction Bill—[52].

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill—[72].

Local Government Bill (Number 5)—[91].

Cost of Railways and other Public Works, 1886 to 1895.—Return to an Order of the House. C.—No. 4.

Income Tax.—Return to an Order of the House. C.—No. 5.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895—

Appendix to Part II.—Interchange.—Posts and Telegraphs, tabulated in accordance with the recommendations of the Post and Telegraph Conference, held at Hobart, in February, 1895. No. 5A.

Part VI.—Population (exclusive of Municipal Finances). No. 41.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 57.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will, during the present Session, bring in a short measure to carry out the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Water Supply to reduce the interest payable by Water Trusts from 6 per cent. to 4½ per cent.
2. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is true that Captain Neville has been allowed to land wines from H.M.S. *Nelson* for his private use without paying duty.
3. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he is aware that by the amended freight tariff on the railways, as issued on Monday, the 2nd inst., the minimum has been raised from 2 tons to 6 tons on all agricultural produce; also that the seed rate has been abolished, thereby greatly increasing the cost of transit on small quantities of produce to farmers and others in country districts.
 2. Does he approve of the same.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
8. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT, 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
11. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

Upon the Second Reading of the State Bank Bill being moved—

1. SIR JOHN MCINTYRE: To move, That all the words after “That” be omitted, with the view to insert in place thereof the words “as the principles in Part I. of the Bill, dealing with the amalgamation of the Savings Banks and the making of advances at low rates of interest, will meet the requirements of the country, it is inadvisable and unnecessary to ask the House to deal with the other parts of the Bill, and therefore Part I. only of the Bill should be proceeded with.”

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 10th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 57.
 Municipal Endowment Ratification Bill—[10].
 Municipalities' Advances Bill—[16].
 Customs Bill—[25]. (To Members only.)
 Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[67].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. BENNETT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is true that Captain Neville has been allowed to land wines from H.M.S. *Nelson* for his private use without paying duty.
2. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the extraordinary evidence given before the Public Service Board in connexion with the unauthorized sale of postage stamps by certain officials, the Government are prepared to indorse the finding of the Public Service Board, and give effect to their recommendation.
3. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If, after the failure of the Queensland Parliament to pass the Federation Bill, he intends taking the opinion of the electors of Victoria to elect representatives to draft a Federal Constitution.
 2. Can he state when such election will be held for Victoria, in order that the electors may have time to select the statesmen most fitted for such purpose.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. G. TURNER** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of legislative authority thereon.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
8. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
11. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SALE OF MANURE, BILL—Second reading.
4. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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13. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
15. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

(220 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
2. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
3. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
4. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
5. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points:—
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6. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.
7. MR. ZOx : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
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10. MR. MOULE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
11. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons residing in the colony who are eligible to hold a seat in the Legislative Council.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.*General Business.*

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment.—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 11th November.

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

Tuesday, 17th November.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 5TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 27 and 28.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.
 Powder Magazines Bill—[26]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Aliens Bill—[44]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill—[72]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Explosives Act 1890 Amendment Bill (No. 2).—Amendments made by Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 56 and 57.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 58.
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 12.
 Customs Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by Mr. McColl, after Third Reading. (To Members only.)
 Crimes Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 59.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That notice be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 428, that on and after the 1st day of December, 1897, repayment will be made of all sums of money raised under the said Act and under any Act increasing the amount of Victorian Government Stock authorized to be issued under Act No. 428.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATE BANK BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
10. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
11. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
12. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
13. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the classification and regrading of the railway employes will be given effect to by Order of the Governor in Council.
2. MR. CRAVEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will comply with the request of the miners on the Eskdale gold-field, by reserving that locality for miner's right claims only.
3. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. When will the permanent survey of a railway line from Birchip to Minapre be completed?
 2. What will be the approximate total expenses of this permanent survey?
 3. Has the proposed railway from Birchip to Minapre, now either being surveyed or actually surveyed, been considered by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways; and
 4. By what authority has the permanent survey of this line been undertaken.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. O'NEILL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Report of the Inspector-General for Public Works is yet received as to the question of dealing with the Huntly sludge channel; and, if so, what action does the Cabinet intend taking to deal with this matter.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
2. MR. BROMLEY: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
3. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
4. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
5. MR. GRAVES: To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points:—
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7. MR. ZOX: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
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11. MR. HAMILTON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons residing in the colony who are eligible to hold a seat in the Legislative Council.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
4. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
8. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
11. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
14. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
15. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 17th November.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
 PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 30.
 Justices Bill—[87].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 59.

Game Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by Mr. McColl. (To Members only.)

State Bank Bill—

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

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

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

Mining Development Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Factories and Shops Act 1896 Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McColl. (To Members only.)

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c. No. 40.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 60.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the classification and regrading of the railway employées will be given effect to by Order of the Governor in Council.
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4. MR. HIGGINS: To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Government will deal with the Report of the Royal Commission on Mildura.
5. MR. HAMILTON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it a fact that Crown lands bailiffs, in taking action against offenders under the regulations as to timber on Crown lands, have to pay the costs of such action if a verdict is given for the defendant.
 2. If so, what is the reason.
6. MR. IRVINE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what steps have been taken in connexion with the proposed removal of the differential freights between Dimboola and Serviceton.
7. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Whether he is aware that his Department is carting northwards water from the Korong Vale Reservoir.
 2. Is he aware that, in view of the existing dry season, all the water conserved in that reservoir will be required for local domestic purposes; if so, will he prevent any more being carted away from that place.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That notice be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 428, that on and after the 1st day of December, 1897, repayment will be made of all sums of money raised under the said Act and under any Act increasing the amount of Victorian Government Stock authorized to be issued under Act No. 428.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
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General Business.

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9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.

10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
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16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 17th November.

- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
 PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Companies Bill—[19]. (To Members of Council only.)

Aliens Act 1890 Amendment Bill—

New clauses to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

New clause to be proposed by the Hon. F. S. Grimwade. (To Members of Council only.)

New clause to be proposed by the Hon. G. Godfrey. (To Members of Council only.)

Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on the Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill; together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.1.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 60.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 61.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. O'NEILL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Report of the Inspector-General for Public Works is yet received as to the question of dealing with the Huntly sludge channel ; and, if so, what action does the Cabinet intend taking to deal with this matter.
2. MR. HAMILTON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it a fact that Crown lands bailiffs, in taking action against offenders under the regulations as to timber on Crown lands, have to pay the costs of such action if a verdict is given for the defendant.
 2. If so, what is the reason.
3. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been called to the committal to the Melbourne Gaol of two children, aged respectively five years and seven years, named Shews, by the Camberwell Bench, and if the Law Department approves of same.
4. MR. ROGERS : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he is aware that the excess of emigration over immigration last September was at the rate of 30,000 a year by sea alone ; and what measures, if any, he intends to take to stay this great national calamity.
5. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey when the Report of the Inspector-General of Indian Forests on the Victorian forests resources will be available to the House.
6. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Has his attention been directed to the fact that some policemen have been removed from the intersections of streets in the city, the reason given being that they have not been sufficiently active in prosecuting the public.
 2. Is he aware that no specific or general charges are made against these policemen further than that their prosecutions have not been numerous enough.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That notice be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 428, that on and after the 1st day of December, 1897, repayment will be made of all sums of money raised under the said Act and under any Act increasing the amount of Victorian Government Stock authorized to be issued under Act No. 428.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
10. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
12. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
13. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
15. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
17. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.
2. MR. BROMLEY : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.
3. MR. LONGMORE : To move; That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety, such Committee to consist of
4. MR. MURRAY : To move; That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
5. MR. GRAVES : To move, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points:—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.
6. MR. GRAVES : To move, That the law now regulating the election of Members to this House is unsatisfactory, and that a revision thereof is necessary; and that a more efficient and economical representation can be effected by altering the boundaries of electorates, providing that majorities, and not minorities shall return Members, and that the number of Members be reduced.
7. MR. ZOX : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
 - (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - (b) " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
 - (c) " " £100 and £200 "
 - (d) " " £200 and £500 "
 - (e) " " over £500 capital value.
8. MR. GRAY : To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.
9. MR. VALE : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.
10. MR. MOULÉ : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
11. MR. HAMILTON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of persons residing in the colony who are eligible to hold a seat in the Legislative Council.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
4. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. PLUMPTING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
8. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
11. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
14. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
15. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 29 and 30.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31.

Insolvency Bill 1896.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Lieut.-Col. Sir F. T. Sargood, on recommittal. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 58, 59, and 60.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 61.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 13.

Employers' Liability Bill—[58]. (To Members only.)

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

The Constitution Act Amendment Bill 1896.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Best, (To Members only.)

Municipal Endowment Ratification Bill.—Amendments to be moved in Committee by Mr. G. Turner. (To Members only.)

State Bank Bill—

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Cook, in lieu of those previously circulated. (To Members only.)

New clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Beazley. (To Members only.)

Game Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. McLeod. (To Members only.)

Customs Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Best, after consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Factories and Shops Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be moved by Mr. Gray, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Rogers. (To Members only.)

Thirtieth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 31st May, 1895, to 30th June, 1896. No. 51.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 62.

THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That notice be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 428, that on and after the 1st day of December, 1897, repayment will be made of all sums of money raised under the said Act and under any Act increasing the amount of Victorian Government Stock authorized to be issued under Act No. 428.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE BANK BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
10. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
12. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
13. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
15. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Has his attention been directed to the fact that some policemen have been removed from the intersections of streets in the city, the reason given being that they have not been sufficiently active in prosecuting the public.
 2. Is he aware that no specific or general charges are made against these policemen further than that their prosecutions have not been numerous enough.
2. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been called to the committal to the Melbourne Gaol of two children, aged respectively five years and seven years, named Shews, by the Camberwell Bench, and if the Law Department approves of same.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he will state why guards and porters in the Railway Service who have been deprived for the last three years of their yearly allowances for uniforms have not been paid the same.
 2. Is it the intention of the Department to pay these allowances.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
4. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
8. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
11. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
14. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
15. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.
3. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
4. MR. ZOx: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
 - (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - (b) " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
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6. MR. VALE: To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.
7. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; *and on the following amendment*:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH. NOVEMBER, 1896.

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

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. Agar Wynne.
(To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 62.

Justices Bill—[87]. (To Members only.)

The Constitution Act Amendment Bill—[98].—Showing the effect of the Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Best. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 30th September, 1896. No 53.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 63.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. PRENDERGAST :** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Has his attention been directed to the fact that some policemen have been removed from the intersections of streets in the city, the reason given being that they have not been sufficiently active in prosecuting the public.
 2. Is he aware that no specific or general charges are made against these policemen further than that their prosecutions have not been numerous enough.
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3. **MR. PRENDERGAST :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he will state why guards and porters in the Railway Service who have been deprived for the last three years of their yearly allowances for uniforms have not been paid the same.
 2. Is it the intention of the Department to pay these allowances.
4. **MR. A. L. TUCKER :** To ask the Honorable the Premier whether his attention has been called to the provisions of the Navigation Act Amendment Act recently passed by the Parliament of New South Wales, under which charges upon shipping arriving or departing from any port in that colony have been very largely reduced ; and whether he is prepared to agree to the appointment of a Select Committee whose duty it shall be to take the whole subject of charges levied upon shipping arriving or departing from Victorian ports into consideration, and to report to Parliament upon the advisableness or otherwise of making a reduction therein.
5. **MR. MCCOLL :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Have the permanent-way men who were receiving 5s. per day been paid the additional 1s. per day promised to them.
 2. If not, what is the reason it has not been paid.
 3. When will it be paid.
6. **MR. A. L. TUCKER :** To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the success that has followed the appointment of a Railways Standing Committee, he will take steps to appoint a Standing Committee of this House to deal with all other proposed public works.
7. **MR. SALMON :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if, in the event of the local Boards of Advice deciding to have a conference, he will arrange with the Railway Department to convey the members delegated to attend from each Board to the town where the meeting will be held.
8. **MR. MCCAY :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will remit the charge for loading trucks at country railway stations in cases where such trucks are not available at the time for which they have been ordered by the consignors.
9. **MR. DYER :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether the Government intend to adhere to the decision which they arrived at last Session and permit gristing in bond.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL**—**AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**—To be considered.
3. **STATE BANK BILL**—Consideration of Report.
4. **CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL**—**AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**—To be considered.
6. **RUFANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.

(220 copies.)

7. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
8. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
10. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. GOVERNMENT STOCK-REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
12. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading
13. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
15. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will in the future cause persons supplying sleepers to his Department to be paid more promptly than at present.
2. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause the rapid survey of the Moliagul Gold-field to be completed at once.
3. MR. DUGGAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause some landmark to be erected upon the spot at Moliagul where the famous "Welcome Stranger" nugget was discovered, indicating by inscription thereon the names of the discoverers, date of discovery, and weight and value of the said nugget.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
4. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
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7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
8. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
11. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
14. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
15. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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 - (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS**—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
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 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **REFERENDUM BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. **TAX ON IMPORTED COAL**—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country ; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 31 and 32.

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

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. D. Melville. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 63.

Savings Banks Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[12]. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Amendment Bill—

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

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. E. D. Williams. (To Members only.)

Report on the State Forests of Victoria, prepared in compliance with the request of the Hon. R. W. Best, Minister of Lands, by B. Ribbentrop, C.I.E., Inspector-General of Forests to the Government of India. No. 42.

Thirty-second Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines. No. 52.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 64.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. DUGGAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will in the future cause persons supplying sleepers to his Department to be paid more promptly than at present.
2. **MR. SALMON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if, in the event of the local Boards of Advice deciding to have a conference, he will arrange with the Railway Department to convey the members delegated to attend from each Board to the town where the meeting will be held.
3. **MR. DUGGAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause the rapid survey of the Moliagul Gold-field to be completed at once.
4. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether he will take action (similar to that already taken by him for the purpose of ascertaining the area of wheat under cultivation in the various districts) for the purpose of ascertaining the yield per acre of the wheat crop.
5. **MR. DUGGAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will cause some landmark to be erected upon the spot at Moliagul where the famous "Welcome Stranger" nugget was discovered, indicating by inscription thereon the names of the discoverers, date of discovery, and weight and value of the said nugget.
6. **MR. MOULE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If he will ask the Commissioners of Savings Banks for a report (a) as to the advantages or otherwise of the present system of having trustees appointed for the administration of the Savings Banks; (b) as to the advisability of continuing the system under the proposed amalgamation of Savings Banks.
 2. Will the Honorable the Premier cause such report to be distributed, if practicable, before the further consideration of the Savings Banks Bill.
7. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a return giving a list of all persons who have been sent to gaol in Victoria from the year 1890 up to the present time, not for crime, but because they were destitute, and who were subsequently transferred to the charitable institutions; also of the applications for admission to charitable institutions on behalf of destitute persons other than those who were so transferred.
8. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will state—
 1. What is the approximate number of alienations of Crown lands in Victoria in fee simple or under conditions which enable the fee-simple to be obtained.
 2. What is the approximate number of such alienations that have been transferred from the original holders.
9. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to the production of all correspondence and reports of the Inspector of Charities during the present year relative to the Collingwood Free Medical Mission Dispensary.
10. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state—
 1. Whether D. Anderson's spark arrester was used in No. 411 Y engine when engaged in general haulage traffic from 29th September, 1893, to about 10th June, 1894, in all a period of over eight months, the greater portion of the time from Melbourne to Woodend and back; and whether one driver alone did not use it for 55 trips to and from the places mentioned.
 2. Is it acknowledged by the departmental officers that sparks which can do any damage can escape through the perforations of the arrester even when wood is used for firing.
 3. Has the Chief Mechanical Engineer refused to give the said D. Anderson a copy of the report of the result of these trials, particularly the report of a special trial which took place on the 4th December, 1895, on which occasion Mr. C. E. Watt acted as expert for him, the three Acting Commissioners being also present, and Mr. Anderson paying the cost of such trial. If so, why.
 4. Has the Honorable the Minister any objection to lay all reports, correspondence, and other documents relating to the above referred to trials, as well as the result of Mr. Anderson's many applications to the Department in reference thereto, on the Table of the House.

11. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General (for the Honorable the Solicitor-General) if he will have a Justice of the Peace appointed at Steiglitz in the place of Mr. Wright, who has left the district.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE BANK BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
5. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
6. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
10. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
11. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
13. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
16. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
2. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
3. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
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5. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
6. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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8. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
10. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
11. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
14. NATURAL WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
15. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
17. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LANGDON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names and addresses of all persons who since the year 1869 have overpaid to the State any amounts or account of land, either as rents or on account of purchase money.
 2. The amount overpaid by each person.
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TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. A. L. TUCKER : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether his attention has been called to the provisions of the Navigation Act Amendment Act recently passed by the Parliament of New South Wales, under which charges upon shipping arriving or departing from any port in that colony have been very largely reduced; and whether he is prepared to agree to the appointment of a Select Committee whose duty it shall be to take the whole subject of charges levied upon shipping arriving or departing from Victorian ports into consideration, and to report to Parliament upon the advisableness or otherwise of making a reduction therein.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.
3. MR. MURRAY : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
4. MR. ZOZ : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
 - (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
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5. MR. GRAY : To move, That in the opinion of this House provision should be made to reduce the property qualification for candidates and electors for the Legislative Council, and to divide the provinces into single electorates.
6. MR. VALE : To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention ; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.
7. MR. MOULE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; three to be the quorum.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
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 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country ; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 25th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 33.

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

Insolvency Bill 1896.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. M. Pratt. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 61, 62, and 63.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 64.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 14.

Victorian Government Stock Bill.—[57].

Federal Council Referring (Victoria) Bill.—[92].

State Bank Bill—

Amendment to be moved by Mr. Cook, on consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Amendments to be proposed by Mr. G. Turner on Report. (To Members only.)

New clause to be proposed by Mr. Beazley, on consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Amendment to be moved by Mr. Bromley, on consideration of Report or after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 65.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of persons who have been sent to gaol in Victoria each year from the year 1890 up to the present time, not for crime, but because they were destitute, and who were subsequently transferred to the charitable institutions.
 2. The number of applications during the same period for admission to charitable institutions on behalf of destitute persons other than those who were so transferred.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
2. JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
6. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
7. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
9. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
10. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
11. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
12. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
13. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
15. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LANGDON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. A. L. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether his attention has been called to the provisions of the Navigation Act Amendment Act recently passed by the Parliament of New South Wales, under which charges upon shipping arriving or departing from any port in that colony have been very largely reduced; and whether he is prepared to agree to the appointment of a Select Committee whose duty it shall be to take the whole subject of charges levied upon shipping arriving or departing from Victorian ports into consideration, and to report to Parliament upon the advisableness or otherwise of making a reduction therein.

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2. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will state—

1. Whether D. Anderson's spark arrester was used in No. 411 Y engine when engaged in general haulage traffic from 29th September, 1893, to about 10th June, 1894, in all a period of over eight months, the greater portion of the time from Melbourne to Woodend and back ; and whether one driver alone did not use it for 55 trips to and from the places mentioned.
2. Is it acknowledged by the departmental officers that sparks which can do any damage can escape through the perforations of the arrester even when wood is used for firing.
3. Has the Chief Mechanical Engineer refused to give the said D. Anderson a copy of the report of the result of these trials, particularly the report of a special trial which took place on the 4th December, 1895, on which occasion Mr. C. L. Watt acted as expert for him, the three Acting Commissioners being also present, and Mr. Anderson paying the cost of such trial. If so, why.
4. Has the Honorable the Minister any objection to lay all reports, correspondence, and other documents relating to the above referred to trials, as well as the result of Mr. Anderson's many applications to the Department in reference thereto, on the Table of the House.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what proposals (if any) the Railways Commissioner has submitted for dealing with the most unprofitable of the railway lines.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."
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8. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
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11. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
13. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
15. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
17. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
18. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
20. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 26th November.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 34.

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

Factories and Shops Act 1896 Amendment Bill.—Amendments made by Legislative Council—How dealt with by Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 65.

Mines Acts Amendment Bill.—Additional Amendments to be moved in Committee by Mr. McCay. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 66.

TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

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 4. Has the Honorable the Minister any objection to lay all reports, correspondence, and other documents relating to the above referred trials, as well as the result of Mr. Anderson's many applications to the Department in reference thereto, on the Table of the House.
3. **MR. BOWSER** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if, in view of the ruinous glut of Victorian tobacco leaf in the Melbourne market, he will permit the Tobacco Expert to select, purchase, stem, and cask 5 tons of first quality kiln-dried leaf for sample export to European and Asiatic ports.
4. **MR. T. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government, in view of the favorable Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the case of Alfred Goddard, intend to take steps for his reinstatement as sorter in the Postal Department.
5. **MR. HIGGINS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in view of the recent Report of Mr. Ribbentrop, it is the intention of the Government to take any decisive steps for the conservation of the Victorian forests.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading.
3. **GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
5. **FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL**—Second reading.
6. **EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. **GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL**—Second reading.
8. **USURY PREVENTION BILL**—Second reading.
9. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL**—Second reading.
10. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL**—Second reading.
11. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
12. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country ; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
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7. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
9. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
11. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
13. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
15. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
17. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
18. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
20. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMERON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893.*

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 1st December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 35.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.
 Savings Banks Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[12]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Municipalities' Advances Bill—[16]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Mining Development Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 66.

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

Friendly Societies.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1895, to which are appended Valuations of Friendly Societies, Statistics of Friendly Societies, &c. No. 37.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 67.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what proposals (if any) the Railways Commissioner has submitted for dealing with the most unprofitable of the railway lines.
2. MR. HIGGINS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in view of the recent Report of Mr. Ribbentrop, it is the intention of the Government to take any decisive steps for the conservation of the Victorian forests.
3. MR. BARRETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Health whether he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Reports submitted to him by the Trustees of the Melbourne General Cemetery for the years 1889, 1890, and 1895, relating to the said cemetery, in accordance with the Cemeteries Act.
4. MR. GRATTAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways how many hours per day are the drivers, firemen, and guards of the Goulburn Valley goods trains (down from Seymour) required to be on duty.
5. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is he aware that notices have been sent to the miners and mining companies at Ellesmere prohibiting cutting timber in the Ellesmere Forest for some months.
 2. Is he aware that, if the notices are carried out, the progress of mining in the district will be seriously impeded.
 3. Will he cause these notices to be cancelled, or allow such time as the miners require to get timber for mining purposes.
6. MR. GROSE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he will cause steps to be taken to excise from the Creswick State Forest the holdings of those residing within the reserved area.
7. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways whether he is aware that in addition to the ordinary freight charged by his Department for the carriage of grain and similar produce, a further charge of 6d. per ton is, under the new classification rates, charged for unloading such produce; if so, does he consider this additional charge a fair one; if not, will he take steps to have it abolished or reduced.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesday in each week, from Half-past Eight o'clock, be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
3. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
5. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
6. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
7. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
9. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
11. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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1. MR. SALMON : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
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THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if, in view of the ruinous glut of Victorian tobacco leaf in the Melbourne market, he will permit the Tobacco Expert to select, purchase, stem, and cask 5 tons of first quality kiln-dried leaf for sample export to European and Asiatic ports.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House, a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country, and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."

3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
7. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
9. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
11. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
13. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
15. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
17. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
18. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
20. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

— WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMERON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893*.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

Upon the consideration of the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as reported—

1. MR. GROSE: To move, That the words "Five shillings," in clause 23, line 6, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Two shillings and sixpence."

W. V. ROBINSON,

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GRAHAM BERRY,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 2nd December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 36.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.

Customs Bill—[25]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 64, 65, and 66.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 67.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 15.

Constitution Act Amendment Bill—[98]. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Amendment Bill—

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. John A. Isaacs. (To Members only.)

Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. McCay, in place of those previously circulated. (To Members only.)

Amendments and new clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Sterry, Mr. Austin, Mr. McColl, and Mr. Hamilton. (To Members only.)

Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Charitable Institutions.—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1896. No. 50.

Korumburra Waterworks Trust.—Application for additional loan of £1,000. No. 57.

Mooroopna Waterworks Trust.—Application for additional loan of £500. No. 58.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 68.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1896.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. WHEELER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of trucks of firewood consigned from Lyonville, Bullarto, and Musk Creek Railway Stations to Ballarat during the months of November, 1895, and November, 1896.
2. MR. BARRETT : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Reports submitted to the Honorable the Minister of Health by the Trustees of the Melbourne General Cemetery for the years 1889, 1890, and 1895; relating to the said cemetery; in accordance with the Cemeteries Act.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
4. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
6. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
7. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
10. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
11. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to amend and continue an Act (No. 980) to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway and for other purposes, and that all fees be remitted with regard to such Bill.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if, in view of the ruinous glut of Victorian tobacco leaf in the Melbourne market, he will permit the Tobacco Expert to select, purchase, stem, and cask 5 tons of first quality kiln-dried leaf for sample export to European and Asiatic ports.
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3. MR. COOK : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is his intention to make the newly-framed railways classification scheme statute law; and, if so, when.

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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The quantity of flour imported into Victoria under bond or under drawback regulations from the 1st January last to the 30th November.
 2. The names of the firms importing, using, and re-exporting the same.
 3. The quantity of oats imported, if any, under bond for gristing purposes for the same period.
 4. The names of the firms importing same.
 5. The conditions and supervision under which the flour is imported and handled and the gristing of oats done.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."
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Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 8th December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND DECEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 37.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 38.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 68.

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Best on the Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Duggan. (To Members only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 69.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1896.

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4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the new goods classification and the existing railway freights and fares were submitted to and approved by the Government before being gazetted and brought into operation.
5. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Premier (for the Honorable the Minister of Defence) if it is a fact that the Defence Department has lent 600 tents for the use of a cyclist camp to be held at Warrnambool during the Christmas holidays ; if so, does the Honorable the Minister approve of public property being used in this manner for private purposes.
6. MR. ROGERS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will place a night gatekeeper at the level crossing at the junction of Mathoura-road and St. John's-road, Toorak, for public safety and convenience.
7. MR. McLEOD : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 1. Is it true that 50 unemployed men are being sent from Melbourne to be engaged on the Condah drainage works.
 2. Are the Condah village settlers to be allowed to work on said drainage only half time.
 3. Is it the intention of the Honorable the Minister to absolutely refuse employment on these works to Western District unemployed.
8. MR. ROGERS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is intended to give the lower paid railway employes the increments which they claim as equitably due.
9. MR. CHIRNSIDE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the rapid manner in which the Bathurst burr is spreading on vacant allotments in and around Melbourne, he will instruct the councils to have the burr destroyed.

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1. MR. LANGDON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names and addresses of all persons who since the year 1869 have overpaid to the State any amounts on account of land, either as rents or on account of purchase money.
 2. The amount overpaid by each person.
 3. The total amount so overpaid.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
5. RUPANUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
6. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.

7. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
8. POISONS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
10. EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYÉS ACT 1890 (PART III.) CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
11. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
12. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
13. MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL—Second reading.
14. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
15. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
16. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
17. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The quantity of flour imported into Victoria under bond or under drawback regulations from the 1st January last to the 30th November.
 2. The names of the firms importing, using, and re-exporting the same.
 3. The quantity of oats imported, if any, under bond for gristing purposes for the same period.
 4. The names of the firms importing same.
 5. The conditions and supervision under which the flour is imported and handled and the gristing of oats done.
2. MR. T. SMITH : To move, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to amend and continue an Act (No. 980) to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kileunda Junction Railway and for other purposes, and that all fees be remitted with regard to such Bill.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country ; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
3. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. HOMES PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
7. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
9. PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5)—Second reading.
11. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
13. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
15. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
17. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
18. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
20. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
21. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—
 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
 - (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
 - (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
 - (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMERON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893*.
2. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
3. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.
4. MR. MURRAY: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the aborigines of Victoria.
5. MR. ZOX: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of freeholders (to include selectors and miners occupying residential areas) in Victoria, stating the number of—
 - (a) Those whose holdings are under £50 capital value.
 - (b) " " between £50 and £100 capital value.
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7. MR. VALE: To move, That this House views with regret the refusal of the Queensland Parliament to take part in the Federal Convention; and, believing that the black labour question is the cause of that refusal, expresses the wish that the Government should alter the sugar duties, namely, to £12 per ton on cane sugar and £6 on beet-root sugar.
8. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the third reading of the Mines Acts Amendment Bill—

1. MR. GROSE: To move, That the words "Five shillings," in clause 23, line 6, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Two shillings and sixpence."

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 8th December.

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

MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—at three o'clock.

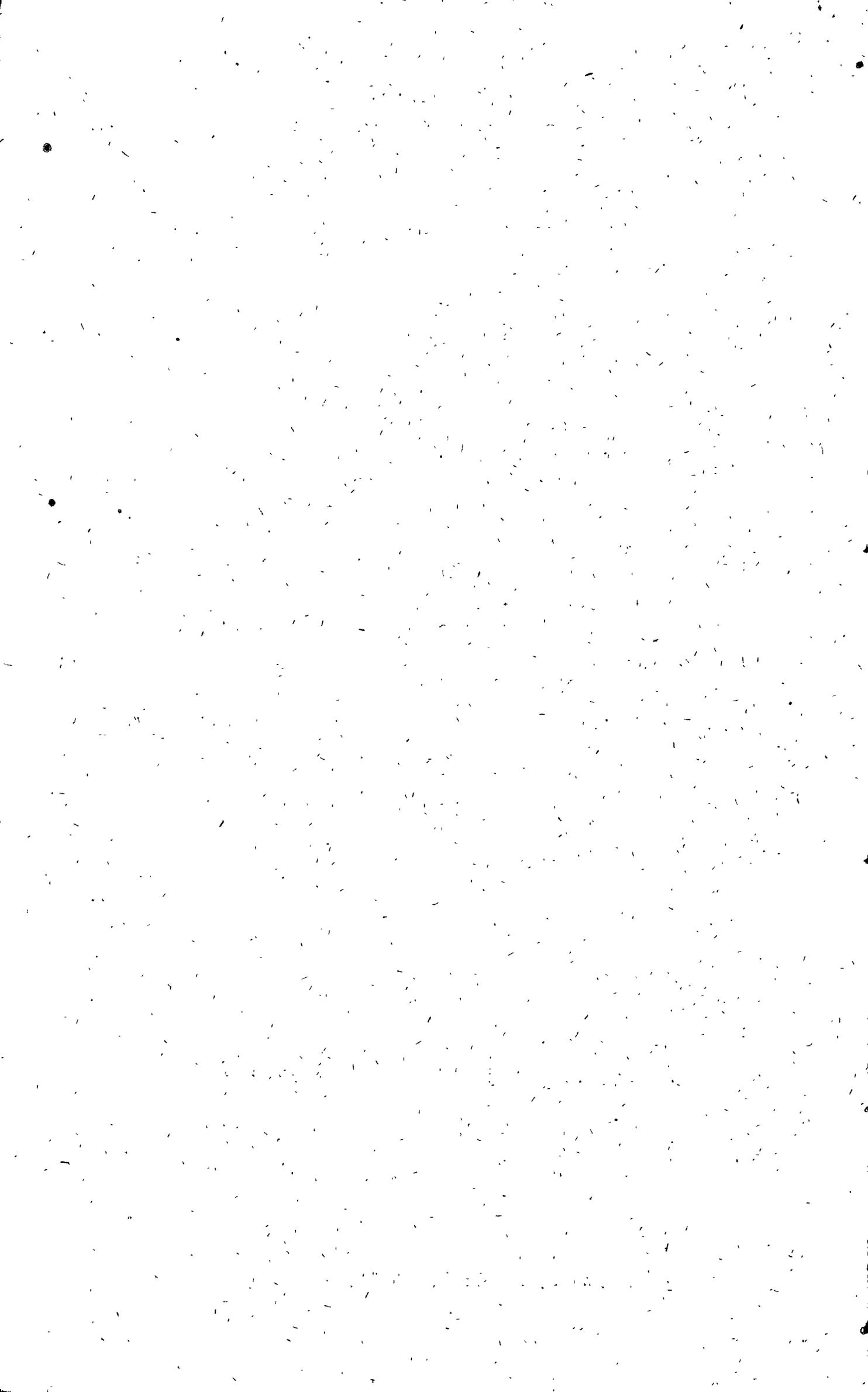
PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS, ISSUED 3RD DECEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 39.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 69.

Usury Prevention Bill—[84].

Poisons Bill—[103].



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 70.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. MR. ROGERS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is intended to give the lower paid railway employes the increments which they claim as equitably due.
2. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General on what grounds a Court of Insolvency, refused to the town of Rutherglen, has been granted to Chiltern.
3. MR. HIGGINS : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he can make arrangements, similar to the arrangements in force in New Zealand, whereby for an annual small subscription any person may have sent regularly to him by post all new Acts of Parliament, and all numbers of *Hansard* and all numbers of the *Government Gazette*.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended, so far as Government Business is concerned, for the remainder of the Session, except on Wednesdays.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be further considered.
3. RUPANYEP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
4. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
5. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
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7. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYÉS ACT 1890 (PART III.) CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
9. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—Second reading.
10. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
11. MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL—Second reading.
12. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
13. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
14. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
15. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
16. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REDUCTION BILL—Second reading.
17. INCOME TAX BILL—Second reading.
18. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*.
2. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment :—That the following words be added to the motion—“providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council.”
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THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That this House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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3. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.
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W. V. ROBINSON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 9th December.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.
PRINTING—at twenty minutes to two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 38, 39, and 40.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 41.
Constitution Act Amendment Bill.—[98]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 67, 68, and 69.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 70.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 16.

Mines Bill—[5]. (To Members only.)

Public Service Retrenchment Limitation Bill—[97].

Special and Other Appropriations Retrenchment Limitation Bill—[97].

Railway Loan Application Bill (No. 2)—[99].

Employers and Employés Act 1890 (Part III.) Continuation Bill—[104].

Poisons Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Peacock. (To Members only.)

Usury Prevention Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. John A. Isaacs. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Amendment Bill—

Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Vale on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Hamilton on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Amendment to be proposed by Mr. McCay on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

New Clauses and Amendments to be proposed by Mr. McColl on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Amendments to be moved by Mr. McColl on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Finance 1895-6.—The Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 30th June, 1896, &c. A.—No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 71.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move, That this House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended, so far as Government Business is concerned, for the remainder of the Session, except on Wednesdays.
2. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
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4. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
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19. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
21. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
22. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is true that the contract for shunting at the railway station, Ballarat West, is let for 6s. 4d. per day for man and horse.
2. MR. BOWSER : To ask the Honorable the Premier (for the Honorable the Minister of Defence) if it is a fact that the military authorities have been for six years past infringing the patent of Mr. Porter's disappearing targets.
3. MR. BENNETT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. If it is a fact that, in accordance with orders from their superior officers, constables have engaged beds in the metropolitan district on Saturdays, with a view of obtaining evidence in Sunday trading prosecutions.
 2. If so, will the Honorable the Chief Secretary request the Chief Commissioner of Police to issue instructions that, in the future, such tactics be discontinued.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMERON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893*.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. REFERENDUM BILL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That Mr. Speaker's ruling be disagreed with.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TAX ON IMPORTED COAL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House a tax of 2s. 6d. per ton should be placed on all foreign coal imported into this country; and on the following amendment:—That the following words be added to the motion—"providing that all the companies now registered or hereafter to be registered in Victoria shall agree to submit to arbitration all disputes occurring with labour in the mines within fourteen days of the inception of such dispute, under regulations to be framed by the Governor in Council."
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5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.
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7. SALE OF MANURE BILL—Second reading.
8. PLUMPTING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
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10. PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. GEELONG STREETS BILL—Second reading.
12. SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
13. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
14. SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL—Second reading.
15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
16. TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL—Second reading.
17. SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
19. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

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Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 10th December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No 41.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 42.

Legislative Council Members Bill.—[101].

Game Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. N. FitzGerald. (To Members of Council only.)

Standing Orders Committee.—Report on Lapsed Bills Restoration. D 2.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 71.

Income Tax Bill—[15].

Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895 Amendment Bill—[80].

Legislative Assembly Members and Districts Bill—[94].

Mines Acts Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed on Third Reading by Mr. Bowser. (To Members only.)



SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 72.

FRIDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be further considered.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
4. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL—Second reading.
5. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL—Second reading.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 15th December.

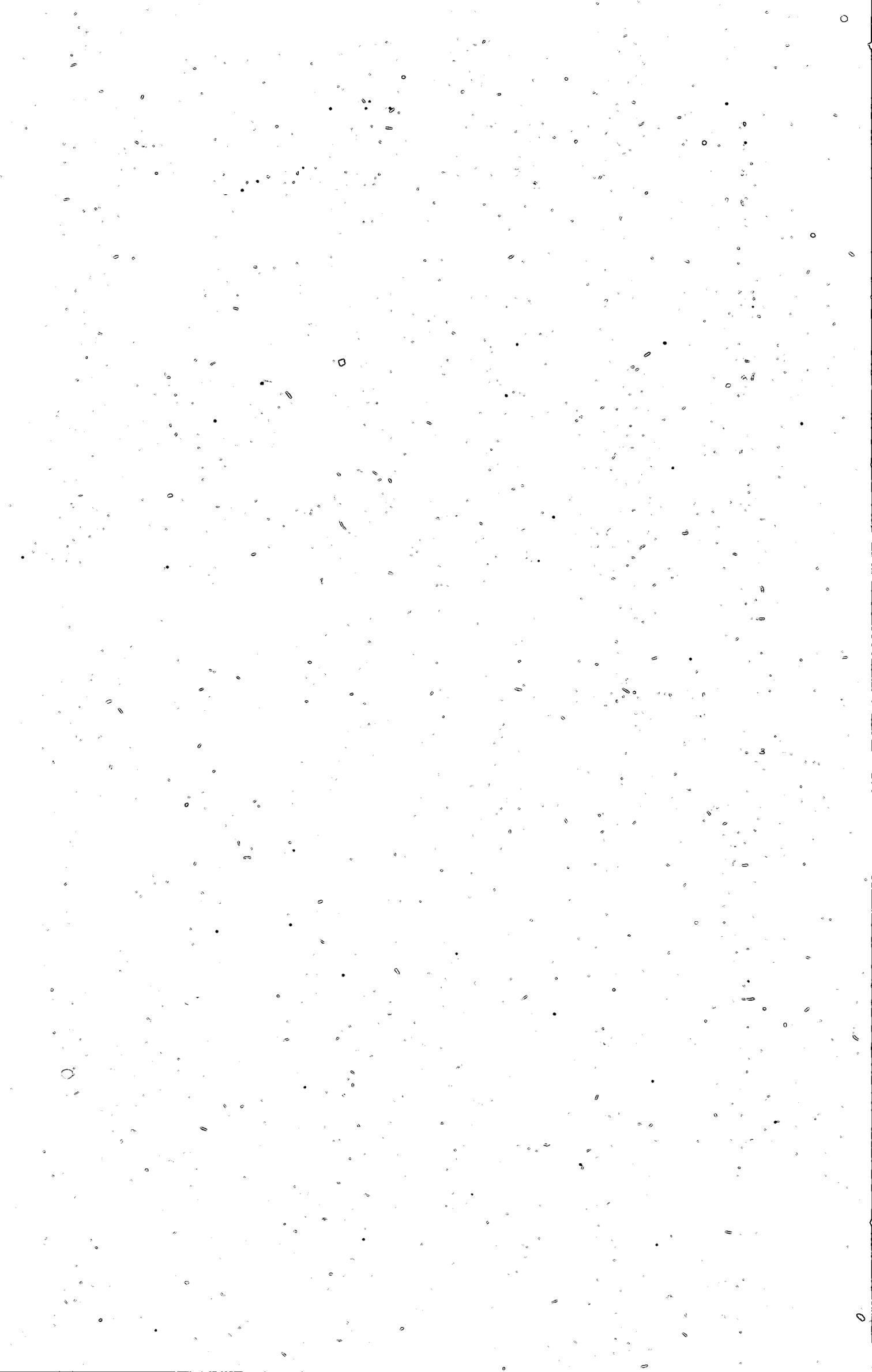
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 43.

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Avenel Waterworks Trust.—Application for additional Loan of £150.—Detailed Statement and Report. No. 59.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 73.

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 1. If the Master-in-Equity acted under the advice of the Law officers of the Crown in appealing from the decision of the Full Court of Victoria to the Privy Council in the case of the Master-in-Equity *versus* the executors of the late William Pearson.
 2. What will be the total amount of costs in this case.
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 1. Is it a fact that Senior Constable Kane, orderly at the District Court, Melbourne, receives the sum of £75 per annum from the City Council for performing the mere routine work of signing his name to summonses for offences under the Melbourne City by-laws.
 2. Is it a fact that he also receives the sum of £25 per annum for performing a similar work for the Melbourne Tramway Company.
 3. Is the work referred to performed during his eight hours' daily duty which he is paid for by the State.
 4. Is it a recognised rule that all members in the Police Department who receive any sum over and above their usual salary have to pay the same into the Treasury.
 5. If so, have the sums mentioned in the foregoing questions been so paid ; and, if not, why not.

11. MR. BOWSER: To ask the Honorable the Minister for Railways if, considering the large number of miners in Rutherglen whose homes are in Ballarat, Allendale, Majorca, Dunolly, Avoca, and Melbourne, and who do not get any benefit from the privilege of "miners' tickets," he will issue railway tickets to them at farmers' excursion rates during the Christmas holidays.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INCOME TAX BILL—Second reading.
2. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be further considered.
3. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 15th December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 73.
Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill—[3]. (To Members only.)
Beet Sugar Works Amendment Bill—[49].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 74.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

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2. **MR. ROGERS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it is intended to deprive Mr. Holland, M.A., Senior Inspector of Schools, of promotion to the position of Secretary of the Education Department; and, if so, why.
3. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If the Commissioner of Railways is reported correctly to have stated that the Railway Department, in accepting tenders for the supplies of coal, will only consider the price of coal at the pit's mouth.
 2. If so, is that rule to apply to Victorian pits only.
 3. Will he not consider the cost of carriage from the pit's mouth to where the coal is required for the service of the railways.
4. **MR. BENNETT** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is his intention to promote Constable Rogers over the heads of 260 constables who are his seniors.
5. **MR. LEVIEN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if the statements contained in a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper of Thursday, 3rd December instant, to the effect that Mr. Taverner, at the meeting of the Council, announced to the members of that body, through the Secretary for Agriculture, that immediately Parliament rises he intends to make a thorough inquiry into the whole question of the administration of the Council of Agriculture, with the object of exercising his authority in the interests of agricultural education according to the views of Parliament when it passed the Agricultural Colleges Acts, were authorized by him; if not, are the statements true.
6. **SIR JOHN McINTYRE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is correct that the Lands Department has determined to withdraw the subsidy for the destruction of foxes after the 31st December instant.
7. **MR. HIGGINS** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will take steps to obtain expert opinion from outside the House on the constitutional point raised in the debate on the Referendum Bill (that is to say)—
 1. Is an absolute majority of the whole number of Members of the Legislative Assembly requisite for the passing of the second and third readings of the Bill.
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8. **MR. BEAZLEY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the men in the Locomotive and Traffic branches, receiving less than 6s. per day, will receive an increase of pay as promised, and as paid to the men in the Permanent-way branch since 1st December last.
9. **MR. E. D. WILLIAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If it is a fact that there is no land surveyor in Castlemaine District, and that great delay and inconvenience are occasioned thereby.
 2. Will he cause an officer to be appointed locally in order to facilitate business.

Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. G. TURNER** : To move—

1. That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesdays, from Half-past Eight o'clock, be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.
2. That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Consideration of Report.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

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 - (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
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W. V. ROBINSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 16th December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 11TH DECEMBER, 1896

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 42 and 43.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 44.

Mines Bill—[5]. (To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[105].

Crimes Act 1890 Amendment Bill—[106].

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 70, 71, 72, and 73.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 74.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 17.

Income Tax Bill—[15]. (To Members only.)

Mildura Trust Loan Bill—[95].

Income Tax Bill 1896—

Amendments to be proposed by Mr. G. Turner after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Madden on Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Legislative Assembly Members and Districts Bill 1896—

Members in Lower House in Australasian Colonies, &c. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Names of Existing Electoral Districts, &c. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Municipal Endowment Ratification Bill.—Statement showing the Amount actually received by Municipalities in excess or otherwise for the period 1st January, 1893, to 31st December, 1896, &c. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Post Office and Telegraph Department, Engineering and Electrical Branch.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into certain charges against the said branch, and also as to the management thereof, &c. No. 55.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 75.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. G. TURNER: To move, That this House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
4. MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
6. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
8. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
9. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
10. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
11. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SAVINGS BANKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
13. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
14. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NORTHCOTE LOAN BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 6)—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. LEVIEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if the statements contained in a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper of Thursday, 3rd December instant, to the effect that Mr. Taverner, at the meeting of the Council, announced to the members of that body, through the Secretary for Agriculture, that immediately Parliament rises he intends to make a thorough inquiry into the whole question of the administration of the Council of Agriculture, with the object of exercising his authority in the interests of agricultural education according to the views of Parliament when it passed the Agricultural Colleges Acts, were authorized by him; if not, are the statements true.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CAMERON: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893.*

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TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

Questions.

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2. MR. TRENWITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
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 3. Has the Honorable the Attorney-General's attention been directed to the reports in the *Argus*, *Age*, and *Herald* newspapers of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th July last, containing an account of the evidence of the defendant in the above case.
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 6. What means are adopted by the Crown Law Office to insure the administration of justice by prosecuting for perjury.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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21. REFERENDUM BILL—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That Mr. Speaker's ruling be disagreed with.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GURR : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning ex-Constable Robert Keegan, of Geelong, who was compelled to resign his position in the Police Force through an accident while on duty, and for which he was not adequately compensated; such Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SALMON: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that the Government should establish a labour colony on lines similar to those in Germany, with modifications and alterations to suit the circumstances of the colony.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That in the opinion of this House no pension shall be payable to any State pensioner who is absent from the colony for more than six months.
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7. MR. MOULE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the facts concerning the loss of a deed of the 28th March, 1860, alleged to have been executed by W. R. Merry, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Craven, Mr. Longmore, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 45.

Income Tax Bill—[15]. (To Members of Council only.)

Beet Sugar Works Amendment Bill—[49]. (To Members of Council only.)

Victorian Government Stock Bill—[57]. (To Members of Council only.)

Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[67]. (To Members of Council only.)

Federal Council Referring Bill—[92]. (To Members of Council only.)

Poisons Bill—[103]. (To Members of Council only.)

Employers and Employés Bill—[104]. (To Members of Council only.)

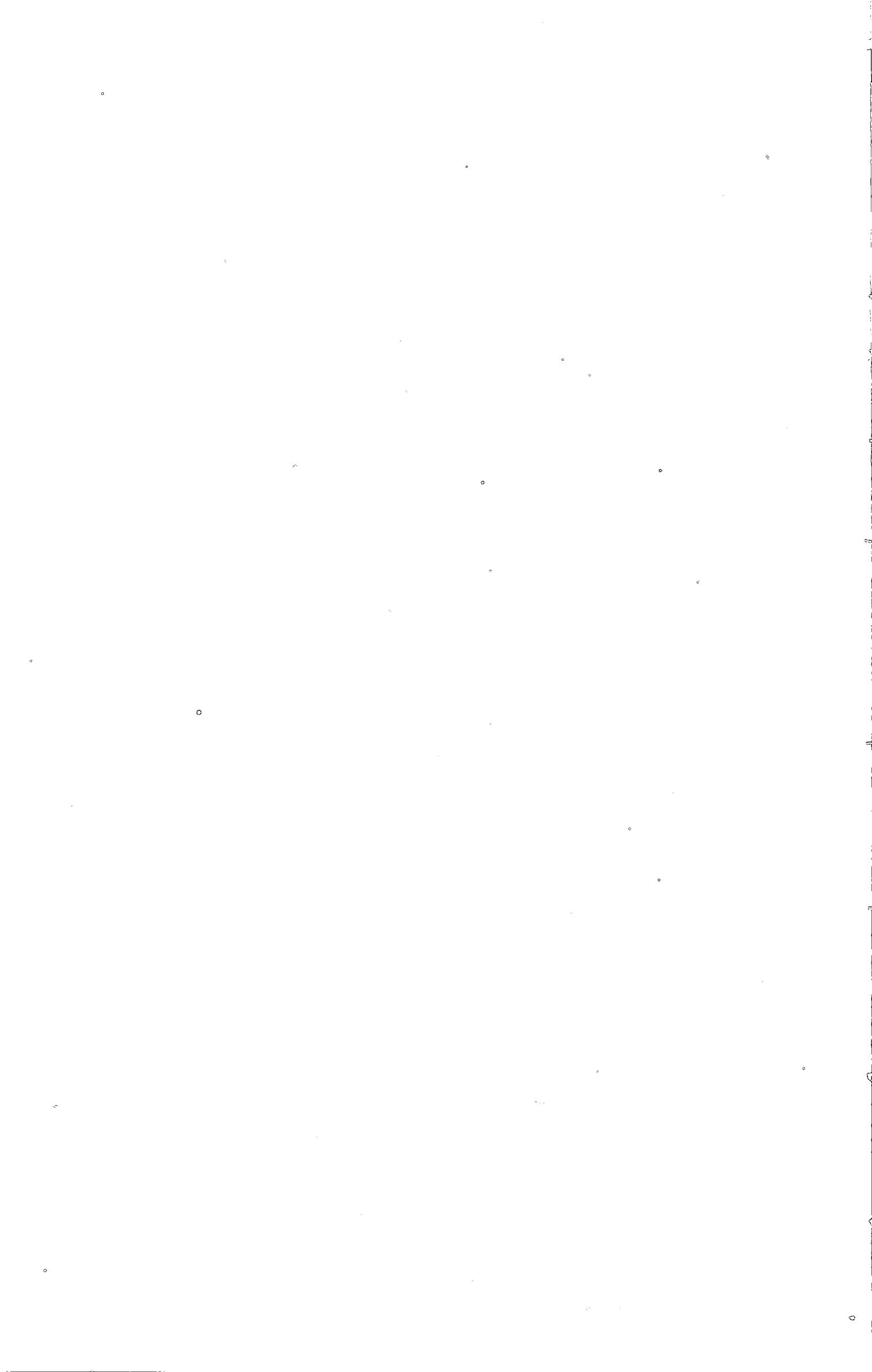
Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Council—How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 75.

Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—[105]. (To Members only.)

Northcote Loan Bill—[107].

Savings Banks Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments of the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)



SITTING OF THE HOUSE.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 76.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Question.

1. MR. LEVIEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if the statements contained in a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper of Thursday, 3rd December instant, to the effect that Mr. Taverner, at the meeting of the Council, announced to the members of that body, through the Secretary for Agriculture, that immediately Parliament rises he intends to make a thorough inquiry into the whole question of the administration of the Council of Agriculture, with the object of exercising his authority in the interests of agricultural education according to the views of Parliament when it passed the Agricultural Colleges Acts, were authorized by him ; if not, are the statements true.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
3. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
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- *3. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of cases of overcrowding reported against the Princess Theatre.
 2. The names of the constables reporting overcrowding, and date of each offence.
 3. In how many cases did prosecutions take place.
 4. Name of officer by whose order prosecutions were withdrawn, and what were the reasons in each case.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 6)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. SIR JOHN MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is correct that the Lands Department has determined to withdraw the subsidy for the destruction of foxes after the 31st December instant.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 44.

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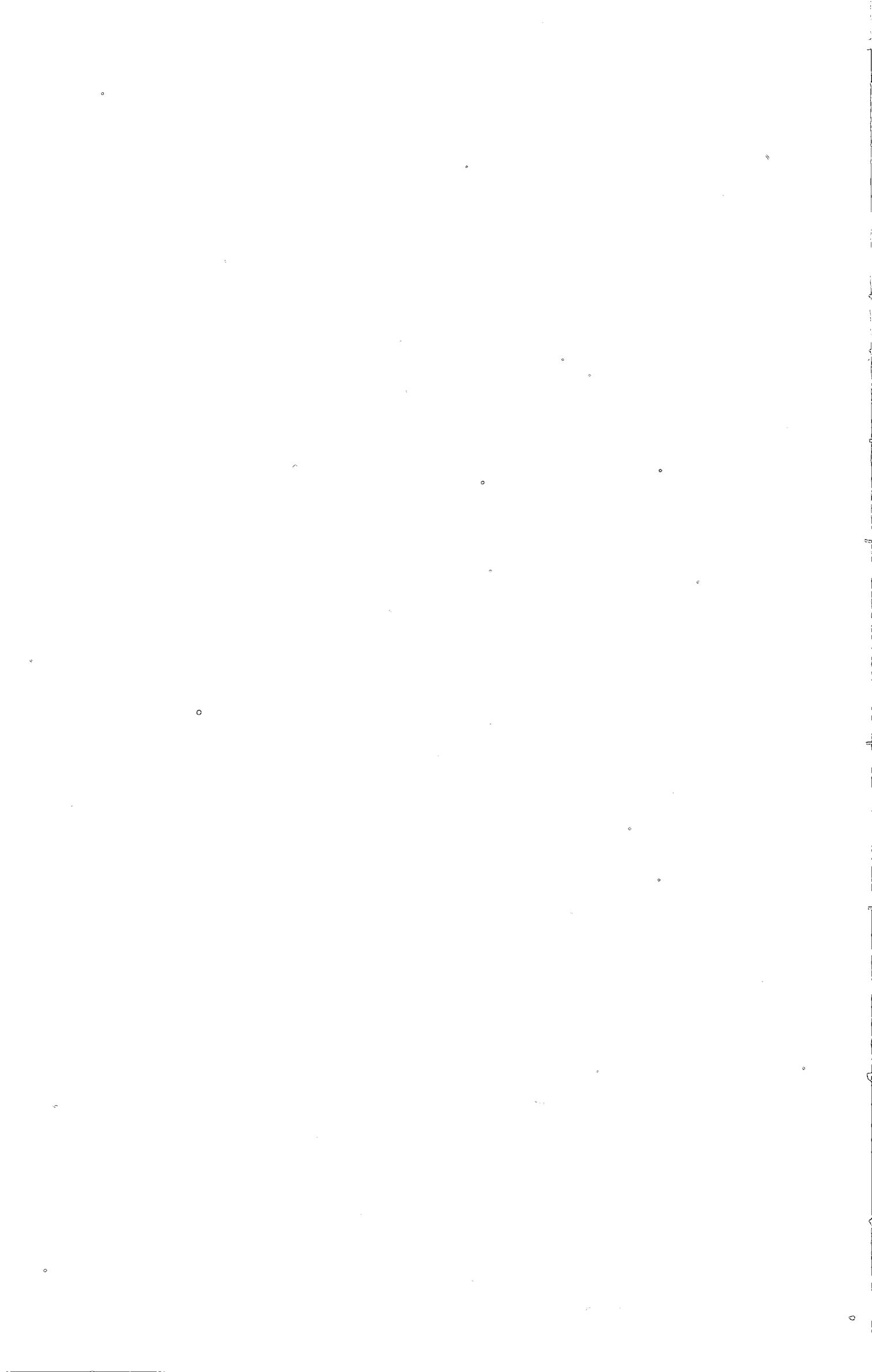
Railway Loan Application Bill (No. 2)—[99]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Northcote Loan Bill—[107]. (To Members of Council only.)

Customs Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. S. W. Cooke. (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 77.

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7. **MR. STYLES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Is it intended that the minimum rates of pay for mechanics set forth in the recently-framed regulations of the Victorian Railways Commissioner shall apply only to young journeymen who have just completed their apprenticeship, or is it intended that the rates in question shall also be paid to mechanics of skill and experience engaged from outside for the permanent staff of the Department.
 2. In the event of a skilled mechanic of experience being employed as a casual hand by the Department, would his rate of pay be the minimum set forth in the regulations referred to, or would it be the minimum recognised outside, as, for instance, the minimum rate which the Government compels its contractors for public works to pay.
8. **MR. MCCAY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 1. Can he arrange to have the results of the examinations at technical schools published before the New Year, or, if not, early in January.
 2. If not, when are they likely to be published.

9. MR. McCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will permit the holders of allotments under section 49 of the *Land Act* 1890, who are residing on Gunbower Island, to transfer their licences, and come under the operation of section 42 of the same Act.
10. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when the accounts incurred in connexion with the recent North-Western Province election will be paid.
11. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of all reports and other papers bearing upon the actions of Constables Proudfoot and Bowman in relation to the regulation of traffic in their positions in Spencer-street and on the Wharf.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
2. SAVINGS BANKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
3. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL—Second reading.
5. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL—Second reading.
7. USURY PREVENTION BILL—Second reading.
8. EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 6)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

(After half-past eight o'clock.)

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 22nd December.

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

Wednesday, 23rd December.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH DECEMBER, 1896.

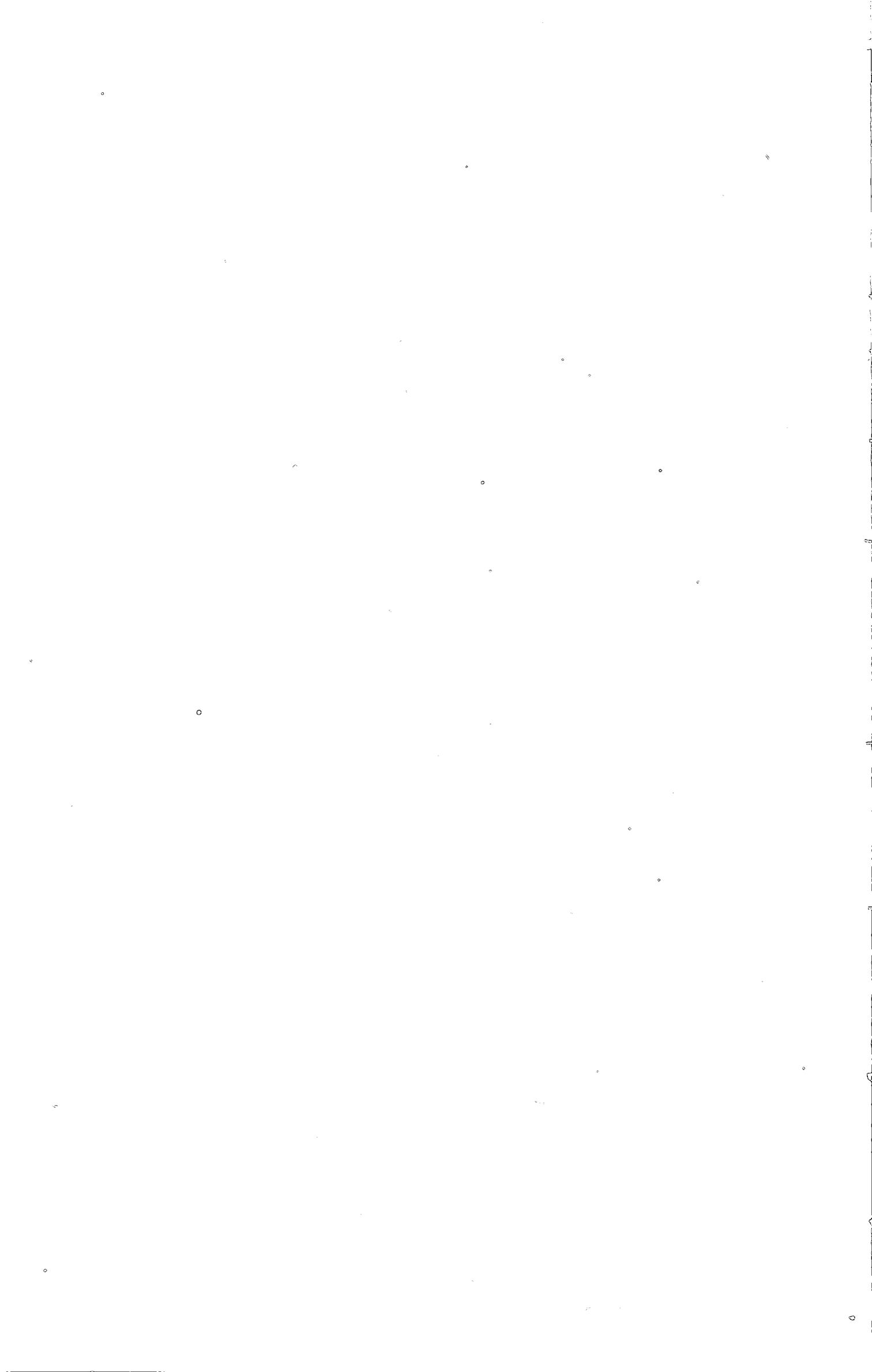
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 47.

Rupañyup and Banyena Railway Construction Bill—[52]. (To Members of Council only.)

Mildura Trust Loan Bill—[95]. (To Members of Council only.)

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—Amendments made by the Legislative Council—How dealt with by Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 77.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 78.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1896.

Questions.

1. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if, in view of the lamentable fatal accident that has just occurred at the Kew Lunatic Asylum, he will communicate with the various public institutions, and impress upon those in charge the necessity of at once reporting if the arrangements for the protection of the institutions from fire are in any particular insufficient.
2. **MR. HANCOCK** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether it is a fact that Detective Sergeant Edward O'Donnell stated at the Licensing Court held on 15th December instant that an applicant for a licence named Alfred Button was a "straightforward and honest man, as far as he could judge," although O'Donnell had previously been instrumental in procuring the conviction of the said Alfred Button upon two distinct charges of being in possession of uncustomed goods, for which he was fined £25 for each offence.
3. **MR. PRENDERGAST** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. What rule is adopted by the Department in the appointment of legal representation for the Crown in the conduct of cases under the Factories and Shops Acts.
 2. Why should not the Crown Solicitor prosecute in such cases.
4. **MR. BAKER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. Is it his intention to bring in a Bill next Session to amend the *Land Act* 1890.
 2. If so, will it include any provision to enable the Minister to grant 42nd section leases to settlers who have satisfied the Department that they are *bond fide* settlers, but who, through sickness or other misfortune, have not been able to fully comply with the conditions of their licences as to residence and improvements.
5. **MR. MOULE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. Whether it is the intention of the Department to return the licence-fees received from the cabmen plying for hire in the new roadway approaching the railway station at Elsternwick.
 2. Whether it is the intention to charge further licence-fees for the right of plying for hire there.
 3. Whether it is the intention to charge cabmen licence-fees for the right of plying in roadways approaching railway stations where such roadways have, in consequence of alterations in the plan of stations, been recently made.
6. **MR. BAKER** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what length of time approximately it will take to make the permanent survey of the proposed narrow-gauge line of railway to the Beech Forest, and what additional time will be required to enable the Department to call for tenders and to supply the Railways Standing Committee with the plans, estimates, and tenders.
7. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 1. Is it correct, as stated in the *Argus* newspaper of 22nd December instant, that an application made on the 19th inst., at Perth, for an extradition warrant to Victoria could not be decided because the warrant and other documents produced by the Victorian constable were so loosely and carelessly drawn.
 2. Has not His Honour Mr. Justice Williams lately remarked on the occurrence of similar carelessness in the preparation of documents in our own Courts.
8. **MR. WILKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will order the evidence of the Postal Inquiry Board to be printed.
9. **MR. JOHN A. ISAACS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. Whether his attention has yet been drawn to the case of *Kissane v. Beehive Mining Coy.*, heard before Warden Rowan, at the Warden's Court, Bright, on the 30th ult., in which the Warden recommended the forfeiture of the lease for breach of labour covenants, and that it should re-issue to Mr. Kissane upon the payment by him of £1,000 to the company.
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Government Business.

(Until half-past eight o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. G. TURNER : To move—
 1. That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesdays from Half-past Eight o'clock be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 23rd December.

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

PRINTING—at twenty minutes to two o'clock.

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

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 45, 46, and 47.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 48.

Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895 Amendment Bill—[80]. (To Members of Council only.)

Public Service Retrenchment Limitation Bill—[89]. (To Members of Council only.)

Special and other Appropriations Limitation Bill—[97]. (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Act Amendment Bill—[108]. (To Members of Council only.)

Factories and Shops Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—New clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Connor. (To Members of Council only.)

Crimes Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Henry Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 74, 75, 76, and 77.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 78.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 18.

Factories and Shops Act Amendment Bill—[108].

Local Government Act 1890 Amendment Bill (No. 6).—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Kennedy. (To Members only.)

Life Assurance Inquiry Board.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into and report upon the affairs of the Mutual Benefit Society of Australasia, &c. No. 34.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part VII.—Law, Crime, &c. No. 54.



