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Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time, on division; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 30; amendment in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee; motion, That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3849.)

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

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the House has been unable to deal with during the present Session of Parliament:" after debate—amendment, by leave, withdrawn; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 24 Dec., p. 40; read the third time; concurrence of the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

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CLOSER SETTLEMENT (FINANCIAL): Bill to amend sections 19, 197, and 203 of the Closer Settlement Act 1928—(Mr. Bailey).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 11) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1929, p. 15; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 20; amendment in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee; suggested amendment with a consequential amendment in the title, viz., after "Nineteen" insert "and" and after "ninety-seven" omit "and Two hundred and three," made and Bill returned to the Council, 21 Dec., p. 31; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendment made by the Assembly which was suggested by the Council and the consequential amendment made by the Assembly) notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3843.)

COAL MINE REGULATION: Bill to provide for the payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of £50,000 out of the net surplus profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 14) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 21; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3856.)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL NO. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £2,511,324 to the service of the year 1929-30—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Dec., 1929, p. 11; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 16. (Assented to 18 December, 1929. Act No. 3851.)

COUNTRY ROADS: Bill relating to payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the financial year beginning on the 1st day of July, 1929, in respect of certain loans—(Mr. Hogan).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 17) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1929, p. 22; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 30; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3844.)
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INCOME TAX: Bill to declare the rates of income tax for the year ending in the last day of December, 1930, and to continue the Income Tax Acts—(Mr. Hoppin).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., 1929; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, 21 Dec., p. 30; on division suggested amendments not made and Bill returned to Council, 23 Dec., p. 35; amendments in the Bill again suggested by the Council on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time; Free Conference desired with the Council on the subject-matter of the amendments suggested by the Council and seven members appointed to be managers of the Conference, 24 Dec., p. 37; Message from the Governor on the Public Accounts for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1929—(Mr. Bailey).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 26; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 34. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3850.)

ENTERTAINMENTS TAX: Bill to provide for the imposition of a tax upon payments for admission to entertainments—(Mr. Tunnicliffe).—Entertainments Tax.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the taxes upon payments for admission to entertainments; matter considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to; Bill considered in Committee; first reading of the Bill, 16 Dec., 1929; p. 29, and second time and committed; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to; Bill considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 31; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 37. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3846.)
passed remaining stages without amendment, 20 Dec., p. 27. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3833.)

**Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board:** Bill relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and passed. Remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Dec., p. 15; the Council's agreement notified, 18 Dec., p. 18. (Assented to 24 December, 1929. Act No. 3824.)

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

**Metropolitan Town Planning Commission:** Bill to amend and consolidate the provisions of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts.—(Mr. Webber).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 10) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1929, p. 17; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., 1929, p. 14; an amended and amended and agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired 20-21 Dec., p. 27.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

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

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

Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee; resolution passed; a new resolution reported and agreed to; and Bill ordered thereupon, 24 Dec., 1929, pp. 38-9. 41.

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

**Municipal Endowment:** Bill relating to municipal endowment.—(Mr. Webber).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Dec., p. 15; the Council's agreement notified, 17 Dec., p. 16. (Assented to 18 December, 1929. Act No. 3823.)

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**Railway Loan application:** Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and for other purposes.—(Mr. Hogan).—Initiated and read a first time, 17 Dec., 1929, p. 13; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 14; an amended and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 24 Dec., 1929, pp. 40-41. 41.

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

**Stamp Duties:** (On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 21 Dec., 1929, pp. 28-9. 41.

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

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

**Stamp Duties:** (On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into the Legislative Council and to consider certain stamp duties; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the duties reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon, 24 Dec., 1929, pp. 40-41. 41. Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee; and reported with an amendment; as amended,
considered, and amendment agreed to; Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired; the Council's agreement notified, 24 Dec., p. 41. (Assented to 30 December, 1929. Act No. 3852.)

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

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

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## OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

| The Speaker | The Honorable Sir Alexander James Peacock, K.C.M.G. |
| Clerk of the Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative Assembly | William Brownbill, Esquire. |
| The Clerk-Assistant | William Robert Alexander, Esquire, J.P. |
| Clerk of Committees and Sergeant-at-Arms | George Reynolds Webb, Esquire. |
| | Frederick Edward Wankie, Esquire. |
### APPENDIX No. 1.

**STATISTICS RELATING TO THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 30th NOVEMBER, 1929.**

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### GENERAL STATISTICS.

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Disability of ballot-papers of James, defeated candidate...

Final count...

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Final count...

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

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

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

PROCLAMATION

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

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

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

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. M. McPHERSON.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

Several of the Members repaired to their seats.

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

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

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

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

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

Then the said Letters Patent were read as follows:—

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

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

Witness Our trusty and well-beloved Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable Arthur Herbert Tennyson, Baron Somers, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., at Melbourne, this ninth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and in the twentieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(SOMERS.)

By His Excellency's Command,
W. M. McPherson.

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

Chas. G. Green, Acting Under-Secretary.

And then the Honorable Mr. Justice Lowe said—

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

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

3. **COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.**—The Honorable Mr. Justice Lowe, having entered the House and been conducted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the Chair, handed to the Clerk at the Table a Commission, which was read as follows:—

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

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

**GREETING:**

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

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

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. M. McPherson.

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

Chas. G. Green, Acting Under-Secretary.

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

- Albert Park
- Allandale
- Ballarat
- Barwon
- Benalla
- Benambra
- Bendigo
- Borounda
- Brighton
- Brunswick
- Bulla and Dalhousie
- Carlton
- Castlemaine and Kyneton
- Caulfield
- Clifton Hill
- Coburg
- Collingwood
- Dandenong
- Dundas
- Essendon
- Evelyn
- Flemington
- Footscray
- Geelong
- Gippsland East
- Gippsland North
- Gippsland South
- Gippsland West
Goulburn Valley... ... Murray William James Bourchier, farmer and grazier, of Katandra North, and Marooon-road, Brighton.

Grant... ... Ralph Theodore Hjorth.

Gumbower Henry Angus, of Treso, grazier.

Hampden ... William Murray McPherson.

Heidelberg ... Gordon Charles Webber.

Kara Kara and Borung John Warburton Pennington, of Bealiba, grazier.

Kew Wilfrid Selwyn Kent Hughes.

Korong and Eaglehawk ... Albert Arthur Dunstan.

Lowan ... Marcus Edwy Wettenhall.

Maryborough and Daylesford George Clement Frost, of Maryborough, orchardist.

Melbourne ... Thomas Hayes, secretary, 7 Curran-street, North Melbourne.

Mildura ... A. G. Allnutt.

Mornington ... Herbert Downward.

Northcote ... John Cain, 23 James-street, Northcote, clerk.

Nunawading ... Robert Gordon Menzies.

Oakleigh ... Squire Horace Reid.

Ouyen ... Harold Glower, farmer, Ouyen.

Pelawath ... James McDonald, of Inverleigh, orchardist.

Port Fairy and Glenelg ... Ernest Edward Bond.

Port Melbourne ... James Laurence Murphy, of 88 Nelson-road, South Melbourne, secretary.

Prahran ... Arthur Richard Jackson.

Richmond ... Edmund John Cotter, cooper, 2/4 Mary-street, Richmond.

Rodney ... John Allan, of Wyuna South, farmer.

Stawell and Ararat Richard Frederic Tootcher, of 22 Victoria-street, Elsternwick, estate agent.

St. Kilda ... Burnett Gray.

Swan Hill ... Francis Edward Old.

Toorak ... Stanley Seymour Argyle.

Upper Goulburn ... Edwin Joseph Mackrell, of Canterbury, grazier.

Upper Yarra ... George Hodges Knox, of Ferntree Gully, farmer.

Walhalla ... William Anderson Moncur, farmer, Thornpale.

Wangaratta and Ovens Lot Victor Difey.

Warrenheip and Grenville ... Ernest Augustine Coyle.

Warrnambool ... Henry Stephen Bailey.

Williamstown ... John Lemmon, of Karms-avenue, East Malvern, legislator.

Wonthaggi ... William George McKenzie, of Wonthaggi, grocer.


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

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

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

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

Then Sir William McPherson, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Allan, and Mr. Dunstan congratulated Mr. Speaker.
7. Presentation of the Speaker.—Sir William McPherson stated that he had already ascertained that it would be His Excellency’s pleasure to receive the Speaker in the Library, at the Parliament House, this day, at a quarter-past Two o’clock.

8. Mr. Speaker left the Chair at fifty-six minutes past Eleven o’clock, and resumed it at thirty-two minutes past Two o’clock, and read the Prayer.

9. Presentation of the Speaker.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day proceeded to the Library, Parliament House, and that he had presented himself to His Excellency the Governor as the choice of the Legislative Assembly, and that His Excellency had been pleased to address him in the following terms:—

Mr. Speaker,

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

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

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

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SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th December, 1929.

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

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

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

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

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House to-morrow.
14. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARAT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE) BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Boardmore, and the same was read:—

**SOMERS,**

*Governor of Victoria.*

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

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

15. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

**SOMERS,**

*Governor of Victoria.*

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

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

16. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CLOSER SETTLEMENT (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

**SOMERS,**

*Governor of Victoria.*

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

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

17. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CULTIVATION ADVANCES BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir William McPherson, and the same was read:—

**SOMERS,**

*Governor of Victoria.*

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

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

18. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Macfarlan, and the same was read:—

**SOMERS,**

*Governor of Victoria.*

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

Government Offices, Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House to-morrow.
19. **PAPERS.**—Dr. Argyle presented—

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

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

- Apprenticeship Act 1927.—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria.—Electrical Trades
  Regulations (No. 2).
- Companies Act 1915.—Summary of Statements for the year 1928 made by Companies trans-
  acting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
- Forests Commission.—Tenth Annual Report of the Forests Commission of Victoria, for the
  financial year 1928-29.
- Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.—Twenty-second Balance-sheet of the Geelong
  Waterworks and Sewerage Trust as at 30th June, 1929.
- Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of Part Crown Allotment 19a, at Main Ridge, Parish of
  Wannaeue, County of Mornington, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate
  of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.
- Railways Standing Committee.—Fortieth General Report.
- State Electricity Commission Act 1918.—Tenth Annual Report of the State Electricity
  Commission of Victoria, for the financial year ended 30th June, 1929; together with
  Appendices.
- Water Acts.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts with reference to
  the constitution of the proposed Hindmarsh Waterworks District; together with Plan
  showing the Area.

20. **FOOTSCRAY.—ERECTIOH OF SHOPS AT NICHOLSON-STREET.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—

That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee
on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3603 (Erection of
Shops at Nicholson-street, Footscray); together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (Mr.
Beardmore)—put and agreed to.

21. **PAPER.**—Mr. Beardmore presented—

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

22. **NORTH ESSENDON.—ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE RAILWAY AT.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—

That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee
on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3603 (Provision of a Road Bridge over the Railway at North Essendon); together with Minutes of
Evidence and Plan (Mr. Beardmore)—put and agreed to.

23. **PAPER.**—Mr. Beardmore presented—

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

24. **JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCY) BILL.**—Mr. Macfarlan obtained leave, with Mr. Angus, to bring in a Bill
intituled "A Bill to amend Division Twelve of Part VIII. of the 'Supreme Court Act 1928'"; and
the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

25. **His Excellency the Governor's Speech.**—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day
attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency
was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for
greater accuracy, obtained a copy, as follows:—

**Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:**

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

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

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

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

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

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

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

It is estimated that, as a result of the prolonged drought, about five thousand settlers will
require financial assistance. In view of the fact that money for advances under the Discharged
Soldiers Settlement Acts and the Closer Settlement Acts and under the Cultivation Advances Act
will not be available after the thirty-first day of December, my Advisers will ask Parliament to increase the authority for advances under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and the Closer Settlement Acts and to extend the Cultivation Advances Act. This legislation, if promptly enacted, will go far towards relieving the serious position of the settlers.

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

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

- Income tax re-enactment;
- Land tax re-enactment;
- Municipal endowment;
- The purchase by the State Electricity Commission of undertakings at Ballarat and Bendigo;

and the continuation of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.

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

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

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

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

- State Rural Bank.
- Home Maintenance Areas.
- Dairy Produce.
- Marketing.
- Transport.
- Motor Vehicles.
- Dried Fruits.
- Public Service.
- Reconstitution of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.
- Money Lenders.
- Trading Coupons.
- Factories and Shops.
- Cancer Research.
- Mental Deficiency.
- Compulsory Voting at Licensing Polls.
- Crimes.
- Police Offences.
- Local Government.
- Public Entertainments.
- Weights and Measures.
- Ministry of Health.

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

SOMERS,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1929.

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

May it please Your Excellency:

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

Amendment proposed.—That the following words be added to the proposed Address: "and we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that after the McPherson Nationalist Government was defeated in the Legislative Assembly on 23rd October, 1929, the Premier informed Parliament that the Government regarded the adverse vote as vital, and that he had advised His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to dissolve Parliament. The twenty-ninth Parliament was subsequently dissolved, and the Government appealed to the electors. On 30th November the electors dismissed the McPherson Government's appeal. Only seventeen Members of the Nationalist Party, including the Ministers, were elected. Consequently, we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that the Government does not possess the confidence of the House or of the country" (Mr. Hogan)—and, after debate—

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

Ayes, 36.
Mr. Allnutt  Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn  Mr. Keane
Mr. Bond  Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownhill  Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cain  Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cleary  Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook  Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter  Mr. Reid
Mr. Cremean  Mr. Satchell
Mr. Drakeford  Mr. Slater
Mr. Dunstan  Mr. Solly
Lieut.-Col. Forrest  Mr. Tunnelife
Mr. Frost  Mr. Wallace
Mr. Glorey  Mr. Webber
Mr. Gray  
Mr. Hayes  
Mr. Hjorth  
Mr. Hogan  
Mr. Holland  Mr. Bailey
Mr. Jackson  Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 28.
Mr. Allan  Mr. Manifold
Mr. Angus  Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle  Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore  Sir William McPherson
Mr. Bennett  Mr. Menzies
Colonel Bouchier  Mr. Moncur
Mr. Coyle  Mr. Old
Mr. Difley  Mr. Pennington
Mr. Downward  Mr. Tootcher
Mr. Everard  Mr. Wittenhall
Mr. Hyland  
Mr. Kent Hughes  
Mr. Lind  
Mr. Linton  
Mr. Macfarlan  Lient-Col. Knox
Mr. Mackrell  Mr. Maltby

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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

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—put and agreed to.

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

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

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

A. J. PEACOCK,
Speaker.

No. 2.

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1929.

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

2. PETITION.—Mr. Cremean presented a Petition from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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


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4. **Supply.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

5. **Ways and Means.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

6. **Acting Chairman of Committees.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the Honorable Member for Richmond, Mr. Edmund John Cotter, act as Chairman of Committees for this day (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

7. **Supply.**—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

11. Adjournment.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

A. J. PEACOCK,
Speaker.

By Authority: H. J. GREEN, Government Printer, Melbourne.
TUESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1929.

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

2. Petitions.—Petitions from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday, were presented as follows:—

| By Mr. Bennett | By Mr. Tunnecliffe | By Mr. Old | By Mr. Pennington |

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

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

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week during the remainder of the Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business; that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Monday and Tuesday; that half-past Three o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday; and that half-past Ten o'clock be the hour of meeting on Thursday and Friday; that Government business shall take precedence of all other business during each sitting day; and that fresh business may be called on at any hour (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

4. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Motion made and question—That the Honorable Member for Geelong, Mr. Brownhill, be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

5. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. Webber, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

8. DRIED FRUITS BILL.—Mr. Slater, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Pollard, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Seventeen of the 'Dried Fruits Act 1928' and to continue in force the Dried Fruits Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

9. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 2.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Brownhill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

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

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

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

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

13. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 6.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

14. **CULTIVATION ADVANCES BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 7.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to enable Advances to be made to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes.

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

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

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

15. **SESSIONAL ACTS REVISION BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 8.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

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

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

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

Mr. Slater then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the Second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

16. Presentation of Address in Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor.—Mr. Speaker reported that, as directed by this Honorable House, he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly, agreed to on the 11th December instant, in reply to His Excellency’s Speech on the opening of Parliament. His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

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

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

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

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Melbourne, 17th December, 1929.

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

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

Mr. Cain presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1928—

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

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

19. Municipal Endowment Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

20. Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

21. Electricity Supply Loans Application Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee.

Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
22. Committee of Elections and Qualifications.—The following Warrant, appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications," was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

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

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

A. J. PEACOCK,
Speaker.

23. Message from the Legislative Council.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have appointed a Committee of six Members to join with a Committee of the Assembly to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments.

24. Message from the Legislative Council.—Transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Phillip Island Shire Act 1928.'"

25. Phillip Island Shire Bill.—On the motion of Mr. Webber the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

- Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).
- Sessional Acts Revision Bill.
- Municipal Endowment Bill.

27. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

- Railway Loan Application Bill—Second reading.
- Dried Fruits Bill—Second reading.
- Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill—Second reading.
- State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendigo Purchase) Bill—Second reading.
- Victorian Loan Bill—Second reading.
- Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill—Second reading.
- Cultivation Advances Bill—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.
4. **PAPER.**—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:

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

5. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

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

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million five hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and twenty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and thirty."

"An Act to adapt certain References in Acts passed during the Third Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament to the Provisions of the Consolidating Acts passed during the Second Session of the said Parliament and to revise the Language of certain Acts and for other purposes."

"An Act relating to Municipal Endowment."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

6. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Webber, and the same was read:

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

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

7. **METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 10.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

Mr. Webber then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after Nos. 2 and 3.

9. **VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

10. **CULTIVATION ADVANCES BILL.**—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Bailey)—and, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

11. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Area of the Metropolis under the 'Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1928.'"

12. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Webber the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
13. **Message from His Excellency the Governor—Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Bailey, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

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

14. **Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 11.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

15. **Message from His Excellency the Governor—Estimates for 1929-30.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1929.

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

16. **Postponement of Orders of the Day.**—Ordered—that the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive be postponed until after No. 11.

17. **Supply—Budget.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

18. **Cultivation Advances Bill.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—that this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time, after debate. Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

19. **Message from the Legislative Council.**—Agreeing to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board Bill without amendment.

20. **Postponement of Orders of the Day.**—Ordered—that the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 6.

21. **State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendigo Purchase) Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee. Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
22. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTION.—**Ordered—that the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1, Nos. 4 and 5, 7 to 10 inclusive, No. 12, and Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive be postponed until this day.

23. **PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—**Motion made and question proposed—that Mr. Hayes and Mr. Cook be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Mr. Hogan). Motion made and question proposed—that Mr. Toutcher and Mr. Lind be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Sir William McPherson). Motion made and question proposed—that Mr. Dunstan be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Mr. Cleary).

And, after debate—

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

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

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

The House divided.

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And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

24. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—**Ordered—that the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1, Nos. 4 and 5, 7 to 10 inclusive, and No. 12 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

- Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill—Second reading.
- Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill—(from Council)—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

A. J. PEACOCK,  
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 19th DECEMBER, 1929.

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

2. PAPER.—Mr. Hogan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Charitable Institutions.—Statistics for the year ended 30th June, 1929.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. LICENSING (CONDUCT OF POLL) BILL.—Mr. Tunnecliffe obtained leave, with Mr. Cain, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Three hundred and four of the 'Licensing Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

4. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

5. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (BALLARAT AND BENDIGO PURCHASE) BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

6. MERINGUR TO MORKALLA RAILWAY EXTENSION.—Motion made, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, by leave, and question—That the construction of a 5-ft. 3-in. gauge railway from Meringur to Morkalla be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report (Mr. Cain)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (FINANCIAL) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time, after debate.

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

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—

   Victorian Loan Bill.
   State Electricity Commission (Ballarat and Bendigo Purchase) Bill.

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

   VICTORIA.

   Legislative Assembly.

   Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria numbered 48, I do hereby nominate Edmund John Cotter, Esquire, William Hugh Everard, Esquire, George Clement Frost, Esquire, James Laurence Murphy, Esquire, and the Honorable Francis Edward Old to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees whenever requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

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

   A. J. PEACOCK,
   Speaker.

10. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

   SOMERS,
   Governor of Victoria.

   Message No. 13.

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

   Government Offices,
   Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

   Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
11. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 13.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

12. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—COAL MINES REGULATION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

14. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:—

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.

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

15. PUBLIC ACCOUNT ADVANCES BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 16.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorize the Temporary Application out of The Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Fund"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
16. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—TRANSFER OF LAND (ASSURANCE FUND) BILL.**—
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:

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SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria. Message No. 16.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.
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Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

17. **TRANSFER OF LAND (ASSURANCE FUND) BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 16. House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Act 1928.
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And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Act 1928”;

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans.”

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Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House.
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18. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—COUNTRY ROADS BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hogan, and the same was read:

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SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria. Message No. 17.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1929.
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Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.

19. **COUNTRY ROADS BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 17. House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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Resolved—That it is expedient than an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans.
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And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled “A Bill relating to Payment of an amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans”;

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Ordered—That Mr. Hogan and Mr. Slater do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
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20. **SUPPLY—BUDGET.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—
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FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

Committee reported progress; to sit again this day.

21. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Agreeing to the Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill without amendment.

22. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Transmitting a Bill intituled “An Act to amend Sub-section (2) of Section Twenty-six of the ‘Apprenticeship Act 1928.’”

23. **APPRENTICESHIP BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Wehler the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
24. Message from the Legislative Council.—Agreeing to the Cultivation Advances Bill with amendments.

And the said amendments are as follow:—

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

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

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

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

25. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.

26. Railway Loan Application Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

27. Electricity Supply Loans Application Bill.—Further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

28. Discharge of Order of the Day.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

Closer Settlement (Borrowing Powers) Bill—Second reading.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

29. Library Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Holland, Mr. Moncur, and Mr. Slater; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

30. Standing Orders Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Allan, Mr. Angus, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Cain, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Linton, Sir William McPherson, Mr. Old, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Tunnell; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

31. Printing Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beadmore, Colonel Bourchier, Mr. Coyle, Mr. Cremeon, Mr. Frost, Mr. Jackson, Lieut.-Col. Knox, Mr. Linton, Mr. McKenzie, and Mr. Murphy; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

32. Public Accounts Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Bond, Mr. Everard, Lieut.-Col. Forrest, Mr. Holland, Mr. Mackrell, Mr. McDonald, and Mr. Murphy; and that the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

33. Statute Law Revision Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws adopted by this House on the 16th June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with the Committee of the Legislative Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Macfarlan, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Slater, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

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

34. House Committee.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members be appointed members of the House Committee:—Mr. Allan, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Cleary, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Jewell (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.
35. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 6, Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive, and Nos. 12 and 13 be postponed until this day.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until this day:
- Licensing (Conduct of Poll) Bill—Second reading.
- Developmental Railways Bill—Second reading.
- Coal Mines Regulation Bill—Second reading.
- Public Account Advances Bill—Second reading.
- Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill—Second reading.
- Country Roads Bill—Second reading.

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

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

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

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

2. Unimproved Land Value.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return from the Land Tax Commissioner showing—
   1. The unimproved value of the land situated within 30 miles of the Melbourne General Post Office.
   2. The unimproved value of all the remaining land throughout this State.
   —(Mr. Glorey)—put and agreed to.

3. Papers.—Mr. Lemmon presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
   Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1928-29.
   Ordered to lie on the Table.
   The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:

4. Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.—Mr. Bailey obtained leave, with Mr. Pollard, to bring in a Bill intitled "A Bill to provide for the Exchange of certain Crown Land in the Township of Korumburra temporarily reserved as a Site for a Public Park for certain other Land in the Parish of Korumburra and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

5. Petition.—Mr. Jewell presented a Petition from certain residents of Victoria, praying that all liquor bars be closed on Christmas Day and Good Friday.
   Ordered to lie on the Table.

6. Ways and Means—Income Tax.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
   Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
   Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:
   —Resolved—That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—
   (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
   (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
   for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence; and
   (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
   for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Sevendence; for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Eightsence; for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Ninesence; and for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Tentpence;
On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twelvepence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence; for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixteenpence; for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Eighteenpence; and for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Twentypence;

(c) in the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:

(i) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—
an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

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

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

(iv) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—
an amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable;

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

(e) on the income of a mutual life assurance company—
(i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and

(ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

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

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

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

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

Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. Ways and Means—Land Tax.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

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

Resolved—

1. That subject to the Land Tax Acts there shall in the case of each owner of land be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty a duty of land tax upon land for every pound sterling of the unimproved value thereof as assessed under the said Acts at such rate as is hereinafter set forth (that is to say):—

Where the unimproved value or total unimproved value of all land or lands of any owner exceeds Two hundred and fifty pounds the rate of tax payable thereon for the said year shall be: On every pound sterling of its unimproved value:

One half-penny.

2. That in addition to any duty of land tax so payable there shall in the case of each such owner be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty a super tax equal to five per centum of the amount of the duty of land tax so payable:

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

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

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

9. Land Tax Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

10. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.

11. Developmental Railways Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

12. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

13. Licensing (Conduct of Poll) Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

14. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 5 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after No. 12.

15. Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

16. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 5.

17. Coal Miners Regulation Bill.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

18. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.

19. Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.—Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

20. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 6, 8, and 9 be postponed until after No. 13.

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

22. Postponement of Orders of the Day.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 6, 8, and 9 be postponed until after No. 10.
23. **Phillip Island Shire Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
   Ordered—that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

24. **Postponement of Order of the Day.**—Ordered—that the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after No. 6.

25. **Public Account Advances Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
   Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

26. **Dried Fruits Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time.
   Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

27. **Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
   Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

28. **Postponement of Orders of the Day.**—Ordered—that the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 8 and 9 be postponed until after No. 11.

29. **Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
   Ordered—that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

30. **Motor Omnibus Licence- Fees.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—that this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain licence-fees payable in respect of country motor omnibuses put and agreed to.
   House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

31. **Motor Omnibus Bill.**—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend Section Twenty-one of the 'Motor Omnibus Act 1928'"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
   Motion made and question—that this Bill be now read a second time (Mr. Hogan)—put and, after debate—
   The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Allnutt Mr. Lind
Mr. Bailey Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bennett Mr. McKenzie
Colonel Bourchier Mr. Menzies
Mr. Brownbill Mr. Old
Mr. Cain Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cleary Mr. Reid
Mr. Cremean Mr. Satchell
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Glowrey Mr. Webber
Mr. Hogan Tellers.
Mr. Holland Tellers.
Mr. Jackson Mr. Frost
Mr. Jewell Mr. Hayes

Noes, 10.

Mr. Angus Sir William McPherson
Mr. Everard Mr. Pennington
Mr. Gray
Mr. Linton Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Maltby Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Manifold

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed.

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

Saturday, 21st December, 1929.

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

Ordered—that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
32. Stamp Duties.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties (Mr. Slater)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—

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

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

\[ \text{\£ s. d.} \]

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

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

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

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

\[ \text{\£ s. d.} \]

in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "VIII. Lease, or agreement for a lease of any lands or tenements for any definite or indefinite term" included in the expression beginning "(1) Where the consideration" and ending "£50 per annum"—

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

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

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

\[ \text{\£ s. d.} \]

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

5. That on and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon any instrument specified hereunder the duties specified hereunder:—

A. SHARE CERTIFICATE OR OTHER DOCUMENT (NOT BEING A DOCUMENT RELATING TO A TRANSFER ON SALE OF SHARES)—

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

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Exemption—

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

B. Transfer on Sale of Shares—

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

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

(b) in the stocks or funds of any Government—

For every £10 and also for any fractional part of £10 of the consideration for the transfer

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Exemptions—

Any transfer on sale of any share or shares in any mining company; and

Any transfer on sale of stock, debentures or Treasury Bonds or Bills of the Government of the United Kingdom, or of the Commonwealth of Australia, or of Victoria, or of any other State of the said Commonwealth, or of any other part of the British dominions.

Direction as to Issue or Allotment of Shares—

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

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

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

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

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Allnutt Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bailey Mr. Jewell
Mr. Brownbill Mr. McAdam
Mr. Cain Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cleary Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook Mr. Reid
Mr. Cremean Mr. Satchell
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Tunnicliffe
Mr. Frost Mr. Webber
Mr. Głowrey
Mr. Gray
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Holland Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 12.

Mr. Angus Colonel Bourchier
Mr. Everard Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Lind Mr. Linton
Mr. Maltby Mr. Maltby

Tellers.

Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Pennington

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

- Electricity Supply Loans Application Bill.
- Licensing (Conduct of Poll) Bill.

35. **Country Roads Bill.**—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.

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

36. **Administration and Probate Duties.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain duties payable under Part VI. of the Administration and Probate Act 1928 (Mr. Slater)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Allnutt Mr. Jewell
Mr. Bailey Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cain Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cleary Mr. Reid
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Satchell
Mr. Frost Mr. Tunnicliffe
Mr. Glovrey Mr. Webber
Mr. Gray Tellers.
Mr. Hayes Tellers.
Mr. Hogan Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Jackson Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 12.

Mr. Angus Sir William McPherson
Colonel Bourchier Mr. Menzies
Mr. Everard Mr. Pennington
Mr. Lind Tellers.
Mr. Linton Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Maltby Mr. Manifold
Mr. Webber Leut.-Col. Knox

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

**Resolved.**—That there shall be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty and in aid of the consolidated revenue on all payments for admission to any entertainment (including any exhibition performance lecture amusement game or sport for admission to which
payment is made) an entertainments tax (subject to any exemptions provided by law) at the rates hereinafter set forth, that is to say:

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

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

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

42. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ENTERTAINMENTS TAX BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Tunnecliffe, and the same was read:

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1929.

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

43. ENTERTAINMENTS TAX BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 18.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

45. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Returning the Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting an amendment.

And the said suggested amendment is as follows:

Clause 4, omit this clause.

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

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

In the Title, after “Nineteen” insert “and”; and after “Ninety-seven” omit “and Two hundred and three.”

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

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

47. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 9 and 14 be postponed until Monday next.

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

Waggs and Means—To be further considered in Committee.

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

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

And then the House, at seven minutes past Seven o’clock in the morning, adjourned until Monday next.
MONDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1929.

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

2. Elections and Qualifications Committee.—Members Sworn.—Albert George Allnutt, Esquire, the Honorable Henry Angus, Colonel the Honorable Murray William James Bourchier, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., and Arthur Knight Wallace, Esquire, who had been appointed members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, took the Oath at the Table of the House, before the Clerk.

3. Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties on bookmakers' licences or permits and on betting tickets (Mr. Tunnecliffe)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—

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

Bookmakers' Licences or Permits—

Any licence or permit issued to any bookmaker at any time by any promoter within the meaning of section one hundred and eleven of the Police Offences Act 1928 or any person with respect to sports within the meaning of the said section on any ground within the meaning of the said section in Victoria 2 0 0

Exemption—

A bookmaker who in any period commencing on the first day of November in any year and ending on the thirty-first day of October in the next subsequent year has paid the duty upon any licence or permit with respect to any ground within the meaning of the said section one hundred and eleven for that year shall to the extent only of the duty so paid be exempt from payment of duty for that period upon any other licence or permit as aforesaid.

2. That there shall be charged under and subject to the Stamps Act 1928 for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon any betting ticket as hereinafter specified the duty hereinafter specified:

Betting Tickets—

Any betting ticket issued by a bookmaker on any ground within the meaning of the said section one hundred and eleven And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

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

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

Clause 1, line 7, omit "1910" and insert "1929."

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. Messages from the Legislative Council—
Agreeing to the Closer Settlement (Financial) Bill, including the amendment made by the Assembly which was suggested by the Council and the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the title, without amendment.

Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—
Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.
Railway Loan Application Bill.
Developmental Railways Bill.
Public Account Advances Bill.
Coal Mines Regulation Bill.
Transfer of Land (Assurance Fund) Bill.
Korumburra Land Exchange Bill.
Dried Fruits Bill.
Land Tax Bill.
Country Roads Bill.
State Electricity Commission Bill.

6. Postponement of Orders of the Day—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

7. Supply—Estimates for 1929-30.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolutions to be reported this day.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

I.—Chief Secretary.

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<td>5. Engineers and Gardeners</td>
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<td>8,000</td>
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<td>7. The Library, Parliament House</td>
<td>1,574</td>
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<td>8. Victorian Parliamentary Debates</td>
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<td>9. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
<td>6,572</td>
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<td>10. Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>11. Grants</td>
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<td>12. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines</td>
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<td>14. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries</td>
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<td>15. Insurance of State Employees</td>
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<td>16. Fisheries and Game</td>
<td>3,287</td>
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<td>17. Government Shorthand Writer</td>
<td>802</td>
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<td>18. The Governor's Office</td>
<td>312</td>
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<td>19. Inebriates Institution</td>
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<td>20. Observatory</td>
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<td>21. Audit Office</td>
<td>4,774</td>
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<td>22. Government Statist</td>
<td>15,536</td>
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<td>23. Government Statist</td>
<td>214,234</td>
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<td>24. Hospitals for the Insane</td>
<td>200,685</td>
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<td>25. Children's Welfare Department</td>
<td>52,618</td>
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<td>26. Police</td>
<td>217,698</td>
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<td>27. Public Service Commissioner</td>
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II.—Labour.

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III.—Public Instruction.

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<td>32. Contingencies and Miscellaneous</td>
<td>138,350</td>
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<td>33. Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>34. Works and Buildings</td>
<td>8,947</td>
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<td>35. Endowments and Grants</td>
<td>47,992</td>
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<td>36. Exceptional</td>
<td>217</td>
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And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.
8. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow:—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 15, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fourpence and a halfpenny."
2. ..., page 2, line 20, omit "Seventpence" and insert "Fivpence and a halfpenny."
3. ..., page 2, line 24, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence and a halfpenny."
4. ..., page 2, line 28, omit "Ninepence" and insert "Sevenpence and a halfpenny."
5. ..., page 2, line 31, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence and a halfpenny."
6. ..., page 2, line 37, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Ninepence."
7. ..., page 3, line 5, omit "Fourteenthpence" and insert "Eleventhenpence."
8. ..., page 3, line 9, omit "Sixteenthpence" and insert "Thirteenpence."
9. ..., page 3, line 13, omit "Eighteenthpence" and insert "Fifteenthpence."
10. ..., page 3, lines 17-18, omit "Twentypence" and insert "Seventeenpence."
11. ..., page 4, line 25, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."
12. ..., page 4, line 34, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."
13. ..., page 5, lines 4-5, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 27.
Mr. Bailey
Mr. Brownbill
Mr. Cain
Mr. Cleary
Mr. Cook
Mr. Cotter
Mr. Drakeford
Mr. Dunstan
Lieut.-Col. Forrest
Mr. Glowerey
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan
Mr. Holland
Mr. Jewell
Mr. Keane
Mr. Murphy
Mr. Pollard
Mr. Reid
Mr. Satchell
Mr. Slater
Mr. Solly
Mr. Wallace
Mr. Webber
Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Lemmou

Noes, 19.
Mr. Allan
Mr. Angus
Mr. Coyle
Mr. Everard
Mr. Hyland
Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Lind
Mr. Linton
Mr. Macfarlan
Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Manifold
Mr. McDonald
Mr. Sinclair McPherson
Mr. Menzies
Mr. Old
Mr. Touched
Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Tellers.
Mr. Allan
Mr. Murphy
Mr. Pollard
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Mr. Solly
Mr. Wallace
Mr. Webber
Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Lemmou

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

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

9. ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS COMMITTEE—MEMBERS SIGNED.—John Joseph Holland, Esquire, and the Honorable Robert Gordon Menzies, who had been appointed members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, took the Oath at the Table of the House before the Clerk.

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

Fisheries Acts.—Notice of Intention—
To restrict the Length of Mesh or Set Nets in the Port of Corner Inlet and Port Albert.
To define the Mouth of Stony Creek at Lake Tyers.
To prohibit all Fishing in or the taking of Fish from the Macallister River above Glenmaggie Weir.

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

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

11. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1929–30.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

TUESDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1929.

Resolutions to be reported this day.

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

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

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND SOLICITOR-GENERAL

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<td>Attorney-General—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
<td>79,097</td>
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<td>38.</td>
<td>Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
<td>112</td>
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<td>39.</td>
<td>Solicitor-General</td>
<td>45,270</td>
<td>124,479</td>
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### V.—TREASURER.

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<td>Treasury—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
<td>11,845</td>
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<td>41.</td>
<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>8,026</td>
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<td>42.</td>
<td>Transport, Samples, Marine Insurance, &amp;c.</td>
<td>4,150</td>
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<td>43.</td>
<td>Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure</td>
<td>900</td>
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<td>44.</td>
<td>Payments to Railway Department</td>
<td>296,900</td>
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<td>45.</td>
<td>Hospitals and Charities</td>
<td>150,075</td>
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<td>46.</td>
<td>Grants</td>
<td>2,940</td>
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<td>47.</td>
<td>Pensions, Grauities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
<td>450</td>
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<td>48.</td>
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<td>Premier's Office</td>
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<td>State Superannuation Board—Salaries, Contingencies, and Miscellaneous</td>
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<td>51.</td>
<td>Pensions, Grauities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Taxation Office—Administration</td>
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<td>53.</td>
<td>Income Tax Branch</td>
<td>11,980</td>
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<td>54.</td>
<td>Land Tax Branch</td>
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<td>Probate Duties Branch</td>
<td>1,577</td>
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<td>Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons</td>
<td>2,477</td>
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<td>Government Printer—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>1,460</td>
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<td>59.</td>
<td>Land Settlement—Salaries, Contingencies, and Closer Settlement Board</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
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<td>61.</td>
<td>Botanic and Domain Gardens and National Herbarium</td>
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<td>62.</td>
<td>Grants</td>
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### VI.—LANDS AND SURVEY.

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<td>Works and Buildings</td>
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<td>Road Works and Bridges</td>
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<td>Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>68.</td>
<td>Ports and Harbours—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
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<td>69.</td>
<td>Works, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>70.</td>
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<td>71.</td>
<td>Electricity Commission</td>
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<td>72.</td>
<td>Mines—Salaries and Contingencies</td>
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<td>73.</td>
<td>Miscellaneous</td>
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<td>74.</td>
<td>Immigration</td>
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### VII.—PUBLIC WORKS, MINES, AND IMMIGRATION.

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<td>Forests Commission</td>
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### IX.—WATER SUPPLY.

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<td>Department of Agriculture—Administrative</td>
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<td>78.</td>
<td>Agriculture—Salaries, Contingencies, and Miscellaneous</td>
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<td>79.</td>
<td>Maffra Beet Sugar Factory</td>
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<td>80.</td>
<td>Horticulture</td>
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<td>Stock and Dairy</td>
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<td>Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1929–30, &amp;c.</td>
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<td>Pensions, Grauities, Compensation, &amp;c.</td>
<td>4,133,477</td>
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<td>Construction Branch</td>
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<td>State Coal Mines</td>
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And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.
12. Ways and Means.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

Resolved—that towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1930, the sum of £8,849,911 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

13. Appropriation Bill.—Mr. Hogan then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

14. Message from the Legislative Council.—Returning the Income Tax Bill and, on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time, again suggesting amendments. Ordered, after debate—that the said suggested amendments be taken into consideration this day.

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

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

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

Entertainments Tax Bill.
Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.
Stamps (Betting Tax) Bill.

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

And the said suggested amendment is as follows:

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

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

(a) the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable on such estate; and

(b) the total amount of the duty which would be otherwise chargeable on such an estate if the net value thereof were Three thousand pounds.

(2) In the case of any settlement of property (whether real or personal or both) to be registered pursuant to section one hundred and fifty-two of the Principal Act on or after the said date, in addition to the duty payable thereon pursuant to Part III. of the Tenth Schedule to the said Act there shall be paid additional duty of an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable.

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

Lines 1 and 2, omit "the net value of which is not less than Three thousand pounds." Lines 6–10, after "ten per centum of" omit all the words to the end of the sub-clause and insert "the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable." (Mr. Slater).

And, after debate—

Motion made and question—that the debate be now adjourned (Mr. Cain)—put and agreed to.

Ordered—that the debate be adjourned until this day.

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

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

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

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

Probate duties to yield $110,000 for the full year; $35,000 for the half-year.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

19. **ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—

That this House do make the amendment suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications in sub-clause (1) of the said amendment (for suggested amendment see p. 37 ante):—

Lines 1 and 2, omit "the net value of which is not less than Three thousand pounds." Lines 6-10, after "ten per centum of" omit all the words to the end of the sub-clause and insert "the total amount of the duty otherwise chargeable."

Debate resumed.

Question—put and agreed to.

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

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—that the licence-fee payable in respect of certain country motor omnibuses, being light motor omnibuses, that is to say motor cars within the meaning of the Motor Car Act 1928 with seating capacity for not more than five passengers and used or intended to be used for carrying passengers for reward at separate and distinct fares for each passenger (not being motor omnibuses
within the meaning of Part I. of the *Motor Omnibus* Act 1928, and not being urban motor omnibuses within the meaning of Part II. of that Act), and whether the same are or are not licensed as hackney carriages or stage carriages under the *Carriages* Act 1928, or as carriages of any kind under any Act relating to local government shall, subject to the proviso to the Fourth Schedule to the *Motor Omnibus* Act 1928, be as follows:—

(a) If the light motor omnibus is fitted with no tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee calculated at the rate of One pound for each passenger the light motor omnibus is licensed to carry;

(b) If the light motor omnibus is fitted with any tire or tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee calculated at the rate of Two pounds for each passenger the light motor omnibus is licensed to carry.

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

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

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

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

The House divided.

**Ayes, 23.**

Mr. Bailey
Mr. Brownbill
Mr. Cleary
Mr. Cotter
Mr. Cremeau
Mr. Everard
Mr. Glowrey
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan
Mr. Holland
Mr. Hyland
Mr. Jewell
Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Lind
Mr. Menzies
Mr. Pollard
Mr. Satchell
Mr. Slater
Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Webber
Mr. Cain
Mr. Gray
Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Manifold
Sir William McPherson
Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Linton
Mr. Maltby

**Noes, 7.**

Mr. Gray
Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Manifold
Sir William McPherson
Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Linton
Mr. Maltby

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

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

4. " page 2, line 28, omit "Ninelpence" and insert "Seventepence and a halfpenny."

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

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

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

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

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


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

12. " page 4, line 34, omit "Twenty-one pence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

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

Motion made and question—That this House do make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications:—

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

**Amendment No. 2.**—Omit "Sixpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Sevenpence."

**Amendment No. 3.**—Omit "Eightpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Ninelpence."

**Amendment No. 4.**—Omit "Elevenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."

Motion made and question—That this House do make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council with the following modifications:—

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

**Amendment No. 2.**—Omit "Sixpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Sevenpence."

**Amendment No. 3.**—Omit "Eightpence and a halfpenny" and insert "Ninelpence."

**Amendment No. 4.**—Omit "Elevenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."

**Amendment No. 5.**—Omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

**Amendment No. 6.**—Omit "Thirteepence" and insert "Fourteenpence."

**Amendment No. 7.**—Omit "Fiftepence" and insert "Sixteenpence."

**Amendment No. 8.**—Omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

**Amendment No. 9.**—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

**Amendment No. 10.**—Omit "Fiftepence" and insert "Sixteenpence."

**Amendment No. 11.**—Omit "Seventepence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

**Amendment No. 12.**—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Eighteenpence."

**Amendment No. 13.**—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Eighteenpence."
Amendment No. 11—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence."

12—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence."

13—Omit "Eighteenpence" and insert "Nineteenpence."

—(Mr. Hogan)—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Bailey  Mr. Pollard  Mr. Everard  Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Brownbill  Mr. Satchell  Mr. Linton  Mr. Maltby
Mr. Cleary  Mr. Tunnell  Mr. Mackrell  Tellers.
Mr. Cremin  Mr. Webber  Mr. Manifold  Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Hogan  Mr. London  Sir William McPherson  Mr. Menzies

Noes, 9.

Mr. Hogan

Tellers.

Mr. Kent Hughes

Mr. Menzies

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time this day.

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

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved—

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

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

\[ \text{\£ s. d.} \]

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

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

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

\[ \text{\£ s. d.} \]

in the portion of the said Schedule under the heading "VIII. Lease, or agreement for a lease of any lands or tenements for any definite or indefinite term" included in the expression beginning "(1) Where the consideration" and ending "£50 per annum" additional stamp duties equal in amount to the stamp duties specified with respect to such instruments, respectively, in the said Schedule (with the same exemptions with respect to the said instruments as in the said Schedule as amended by any Act).
3. That on and after the twentieth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, where two or more instruments specified in paragraph (1) or paragraph (2) under the heading "IX. Settlement or Gift, Deed of ” in the Third Schedule to the Stamps Act 1928 are executed by a donor or other person executing the same in respect of the same donee or donees or other person or persons benefiting by the same on the same day as or at any time within twelve months after the date of the execution of the first of such instruments, all such instruments shall be regarded as one instrument and shall be chargeable with stamp duty at the rate provided in the said Schedule on the aggregate sum (after deductions have been made pursuant to section eighty-two of the Principal Act) of the value of the property comprised in all such instruments.

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

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

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Bailey Mr. Jewell Mr. Everard Mr. Menzies
Mr. Brownbill Mr. Pollard Mr. Linton Mr. Maltby
Mr. Cain Mr. Satchell Mr. Manifold Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Cremean Mr. Tunnicliffe Sir William McPherson Mr. Tootcher
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Webber

Nees, 8.

Mr. Gray
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Holland Mr. Lemmon

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

26. Appropriation Bill.—Read the third time, after debate.

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

27. Messages from the Legislative Council—

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

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

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

28. Adjournment.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday 15th January next (Mr. Hogan)—put and agreed to.

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

Stamps Bill (No. 2).

Appropriation Bill.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

A. J. PEACOCK, Speaker.
SECOND SESSION 1929.

MESSAGES RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION.

ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.

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

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 19.

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

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 24th December, 1929.

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 20.

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

"An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria."

"An Act relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of Undertakings at or near Ballarat and Bendigo of The Electric Supply Company Limited and for other purposes."

"An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money."

"An Act relating to the Area of the Metropolis under the ' Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1928. '"

"An Act to amend Sub-section (2) of Section Twenty-six of the ' Apprenticeship Act 1928. '"

"An Act to amend the ' Phillip Island Shire Act 1928. '"

"An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria."

"An Act to amend Section Three hundred and four of the ' Licensing Act 1928. '"

"An Act to amend Sections Nineteen and One hundred and ninety-seven of the ' Closer Settlement Act 1928. '"

"An Act to enable Advances to be made on certain Terms to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes."

"An Act to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Assurance Fund under the ' Transfer of Land Act 1928. '"

"An Act to provide for the Payment into the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of Fifty thousand pounds out of the Net Surplus Profits of the State Coal Mine for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty."

"An Act to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts."

"An Act to authorize the Temporary Application out of the Public Account of certain Moneys to provide for the Payment of Interest payable out of the Discharged Soldiers' Settlement Fund."

"An Act to provide for the Transfer to the Consolidated Revenue of the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds out of The Developmental Railways Account."

"An Act to amend Section Seventeen of the ' Dried Fruits Act 1928 ' and to continue in force the Dried Fruits Acts."

"An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty."

"An Act to provide for the Exchange of certain Crown Land in the Township of Korumburra temporarily reserved as a Site for a Public Park for certain other Land in the Parish of Korumburra and for other purposes."
"An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes."

"An Act to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Stamp Duties."

"An Act to increase the Duties payable under Part VI. of the 'Administration and Probate Act 1928.'"

"An Act relating to Motor Omnibuses."

"An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty and to continue the Income Tax Acts."

"An Act to provide for the Imposition of a Tax upon Payments for Admission to Entertainments."

"An Act for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes."

"An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners."

"An Act to provide for the Construction of Tramways and the Management and Operation of Tramway Undertakings by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria in certain Areas and to authorize the Commission to borrow Moneys on Overdraft for a certain purpose and to amend the 'State Electricity Commission Act 1928.'"

"An Act relating to Payment of an Amount out of the Country Roads Board Fund in the Financial Year beginning on the First day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in respect of certain Loans."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 30th December, 1929.

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria. Message No. 21.

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

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th January, 1930.
PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION.

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

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

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

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

(Signed)

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
SELECT COMMITTEES.

SECOND SESSION 1929.

1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.
(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 17th December, 1929.)

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

2.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (Joint).
(Appointed 18th December, 1929.)

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

3.—LIBRARY (Joint).
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

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

4.—STANDING ORDERS.
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Allan,
Mr. Angus,
Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Cain,
Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Linton,
Sir William McPherson,
Mr. Old,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

5.—PRINTING.
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

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

6.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Bond,
Mr. Everard,
Lieut.-Col. Forrest,
Mr. Holland,
Mr. Mackrell,
Mr. McDonald,
Mr. Murphy.
7.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (Joint).
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

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

8.—HOUSE (Joint).
(Appointed 20th December, 1929.)

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Allan, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Cleary, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jewell.
No. 1.—Cultivation Advances Bill—Clause 2.

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

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

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

Ayes, 23.
Mr. Allan
Mr. Angus
Dr. Argyle
Mr. Bennett
Colonel Bourchier
Mr. Coyle
Mr. Diffe
Mr. Downward
Mr. Hyland
Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Lind
Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Manifold
Mr. McKenzie
Mr. McLauchlan
Sir William McPherson
Mr. Menzies
Mr. Moncur
Mr. Old
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Toutcher
Tellers.

Noes, 26.
Mr. Allnutt
Mr. Bailey
Mr. Blackburn
Mr. Bond
Mr. Cain
Mr. Cleary
Mr. Cook
Mr. Cotter
Mr. Drakeford
Mr. Dunstan
Lieut-Col. Forrest
Mr. Glowrey
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan
Mr. Holland
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Jewell
Mr. Keane
Mr. McAdam
Mr. Pollard
Mr. Prongerdast
Mr. Satchell
Mr. Slater
Mr. Webber

And so it passed in the negative.
FRIDAY (MORNING), 20th DECEMBER, 1929.

No. 2.—Supply.—Estimates for 1929-30.

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

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Allnutt, Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bailey, Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cook, Mr. Murphy
Lieut.-Col. Forrest, Mr. Pollard
Mr. Frost, Mr. Satchell
Mr. Glorrey, Mr. Slater
Mr. Hayes, Mr. Webber
Mr. Hogan, Tellers
Mr. Holland, Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Jewell, Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane, Tellers

Mr. Allan, Sir William McPherson
Mr. Angus, Mr. Menzies
Mr. Diffey, Mr. Moncur
Mr. Gray, Mr. Hynes
Mr. Hyland, Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Mackrell, Mr. McAdam
Mr. Holland, Mr. Keane
Mr. Hayles, Mr. Allnutt
Mr. Hogan, Mr. Bailey
Mr. Holland, Mr. Cook
Mr. Hayes, Lieut.-Col. Forrest
Mr. McAdam, Mr. Cook
Mr. McKenzie, Lieut.-Col. Forrest
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Cook
Mr. Pollard, Lieut.-Col. Forrest
Mr. Satchell, Mr. Frost
Mr. Slater, Mr. Glorrey
Mr. Webber, Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hjorth, Mr. Hogan
Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Holland
Mr. Pennington, Mr. Hogan

The sum of £332.—(Mr. Tunnicliffe.)

Noes, 13.

Mr. Allnutt, Mr. Allen
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Angus
Mr. Cook, Mr. Diffey
Mr. Forrest, Mr. Gray
Mr. Frost, Mr. Hyland
Mr. Glorrey, Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Hogan, Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Holland, Mr. Holland
Mr. Hayles, Mr. McAdam
Mr. Allen, Mr. Angus
Mr. Diffey, Mr. Gray
Mr. Hyland, Lieut.-Col. Knox
Mr. Mackrell, Mr. Holland
Mr. McAdam, Mr. Allen
Mr. Angus, Mr. Diffey
Mr. Gray, Mr. Hyland
Lieut.-Col. Knox, Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Holland, Mr. Holland
Mr. Allen, Mr. Allen
Mr. Angus, Mr. Diffey
Mr. Gray, Mr. Hyland
Lieut.-Col. Knox, Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Holland, Mr. Holland
Mr. Allen, Mr. Allen
Mr. Angus, Mr. Diffey
Mr. Gray, Mr. Hyland
Lieut.-Col. Knox, Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Holland, Mr. Holland

FRIDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1929.

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

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

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

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

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

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

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

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

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

(b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

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

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

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

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

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

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

(c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:—

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twenty-one pence;

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

(i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and

(ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

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

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

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

—(Mr. Hogan.)

Question—That this resolution be agreed to—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bailey Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cain Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cleary Mr. Reid
Mr. Cook Mr. Satchell
Mr. Cremeans Mr. Solly
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Tunnelliffe
Mr. Frost Mr. Webber
Mr. Glower Mr. Glower
Mr. Hayes Mr. Hayes
Mr. Holland Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Jewell Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 16.

Dr. Argyle Colonel Bourchier
Mr. Coyle Mr. Dibney
Mr. Everard Mr. Gray
Mr. Hyland Mr. Kent Hughes
Mr. Lind Tellers.

Tellers.

Mr. Linton Mr. Macfarlan
Mr. Manifold Sir William McPherson
Mr. Old Mr. Old
Mr. Old Mr. Old

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—Income Tax Bill—Clause 2.

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

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

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

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

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

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

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

(b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

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

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

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

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

(c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows:—

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Twenty-one pence;

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

(i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence; and

(ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twenty-one pence:

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

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

(2) Notwithstanding anything in the last preceding sub-section of this section, where a person would, apart from this sub-section, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings, the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.
(3) The annual period for which assessments shall be made for the purposes of charging, levying, collecting and paying the duties of income tax the rates of which are declared by this section shall commence as on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine.

—(Mr. Hogan.)

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

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


Mr. Allnutt Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bailey Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cain Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cleary Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook Mr. Satchell
Mr. Cremean Mr. Slater
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Solly
Lieut.-Col. Forrest Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Glowrey Mr. Webber
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan
Mr. Holland Tells.
Mr. Jewell Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Keane Mr. Lemmon

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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—(Mr. Tunnecliffe.)

Question—that the Schedule be the Schedule to the Bill—put.
Committee divided.


Mr. Allnutt Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bailey Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Cain Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cleary Mr. Reid
Mr. Cook Mr. Satchell
Mr. Dunstan Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost Mr. Webber
Mr. Glowrey Tells.
Mr. Hayes
Mr. Hogan
Mr. Jackson Mr. Hjorth
Mr. Jewell Mr. Lemmon

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

By Authority: H. J. Green, Government Printer, Melbourne.
A licence for a light motor omnibus shall authorize the motor omnibus for which it is granted to operate anywhere in Victoria except upon the following routes:

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

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

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

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

Committee divided.

**Ayes, 20.**

Mr. Bailey  
Mr. Cain  
Mr. Cotter  
Mr. Cremean  
Mr. Everard  
Mr. Gray  
Mr. Hogan  
Mr. Holland  
Mr. Jewell  
Mr. Kent Hughes  
Lieut.-Col. Knox

**Nose, 7.**

Mr. Maltby  
Mr. Manifold  
Sir William McPherson  
Mr. Pollard  
Mr. Satchell  
Mr. Tunnecliffe  
Mr. Webber  
**Tellers.**

Mr. Glowrey  
Mr. Lind

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.