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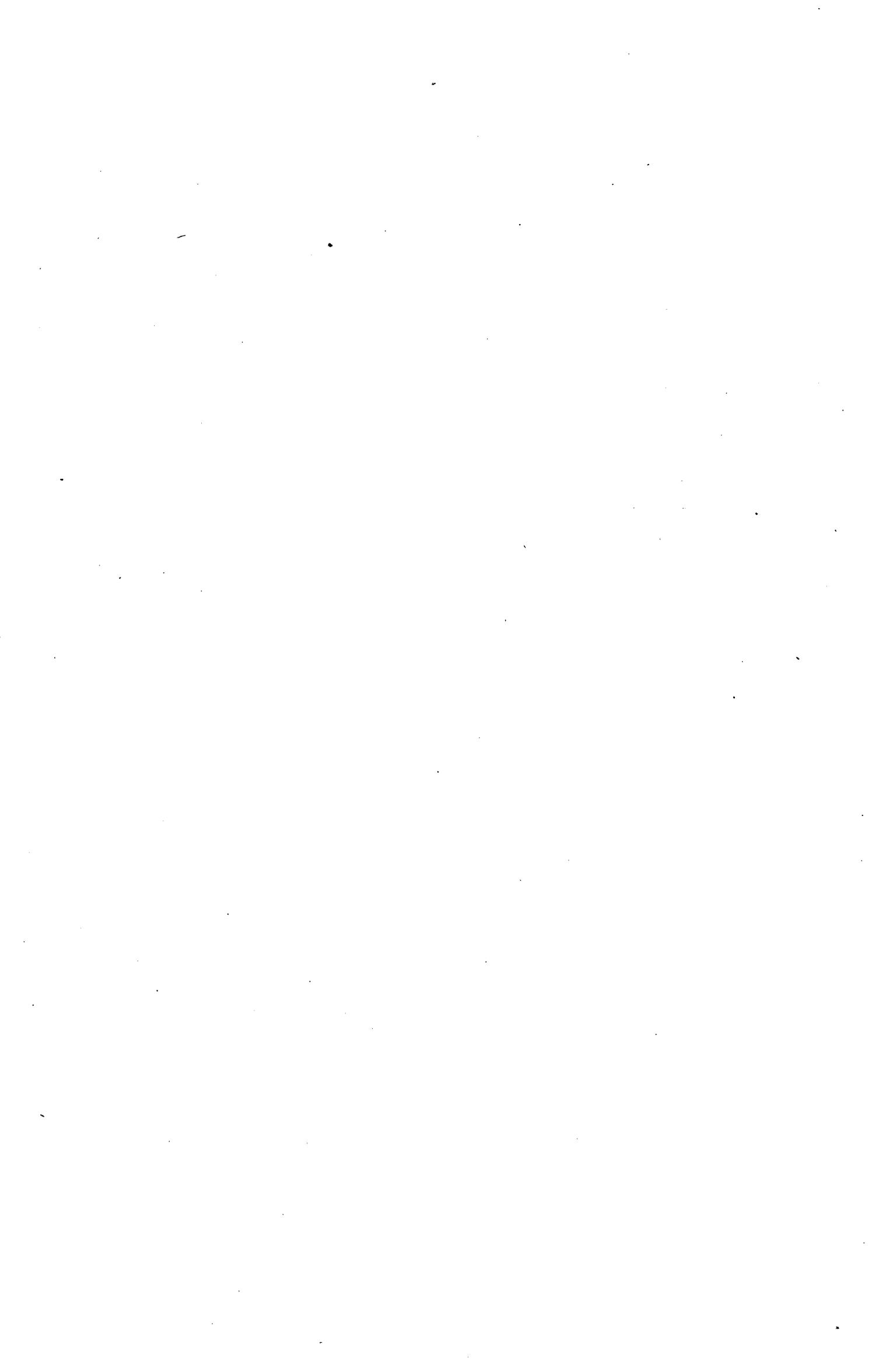
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1919.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1919.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-third day of June, 1919, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk and is as follows:—

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

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; 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 Tuesday, the eighth day of July, 1919, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twenty-third day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

H. S. W. LAWSON.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

2. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen, a Commissioner from His Excellency the Governor to administer the Oath prescribed by the thirty-second section of the Act No. 2632, was introduced by the Usher.

The Commissioner handed his Commission to the Clerk, who read the same as follows:—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and St. George; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To Leo Finn Bernard Cussen, 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 State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, on Tuesday, the eighth day of July instant, at Twelve of the clock noon, then and there to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Council as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Council.

Given under my Hand and the seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this eighth day of July, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

H. S. W. LAWSON.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
page 38, this eighth day of July, One thousand nine
hundred and nineteen.

W. A. CALLAWAY.

(450 copies.)

3. RETURNS TO WRITS.—The Clerk announced that there had been received a return to a writ issued by the Honorable the President of the Council for the election of a Member to serve for the Melbourne North Province in the place of the Honorable Donald Melville, deceased, and by the indorsement on such writ it appeared that—

The Honorable Esmond Laurence Kiernan had been elected in pursuance thereof; also that there had been received returns to writs issued by the Honorable the President for the election of Members to serve in the places of Members whose seats became vacant by effluxion of time, and by the indorsements on such writs it appeared that the following Members had been elected in pursuance thereof:—

The Honorable William Haslam Edgar for the East Yarra Province;
 The Honorable Sir Henry Weedon for the Melbourne Province;
 The Honorable Daniel Laurence McNamara for the Melbourne East Province;
 The Honorable William James Beckett for the Melbourne North Province;
 The Honorable Arthur Robinson for the Melbourne South Province;
 The Honorable James Herbert Disney for the Melbourne West Province;
 The Honorable Alfred Hicks for the Bendigo Province;
 The Honorable George Martley Davis for the Gippsland Province;
 The Honorable James Drysdale Brown for the Nelson Province;
 The Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke for the Northern Province;
 The Honorable William Kendell for the North-Eastern Province;
 The Honorable George Louis Goudie for the North-Western Province;
 The Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke for the Southern Province;
 The Honorable Alfred Elliott Chandler for the South-Eastern Province;
 The Honorable Austin Albert Austin for the South-Western Province;
 The Honorable Alexander Bell for the Wellington Province; and
 The Honorable Edward James White for the Western Province.

4. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBERS.—The Honorables A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, J. D. Brown, A. E. Chandler, F. G. Clarke, W. L. R. Clarke, G. M. Davis, J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, W. Kendell, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, A. Robinson, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White, having severally approached the Table, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, AUSTIN ALBERT AUSTIN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Buninyong, and are known as Larundel, Elaine.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Buninyong are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £2,255.

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

“AUSTIN A. AUSTIN.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM JAMES BECKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds sterling above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy, and are known as Nos. 150 to 156 Gertrude-street, Nos. 70, 72, 74 Napier-street.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £157.

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

“WILLIAM J. BECKETT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ALEXANDER BELL*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of City of Ballarat and are known as 101 Wendouree-parade, Ballarat.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £90.

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

"ALEXANDER BELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JAMES DRYSDALE BROWN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and thirty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Coburg, and are known as part of Crown portion One hundred and forty-three at Coburg, parish of Jika Jika, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Coburg are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £138.

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

"J. DRYSDALE BROWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*. I, ALFRED ELLIOTT CHANDLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and thirty-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Ferntree Gully and Moorabbin, and are known as 'Boronia,' corner of Boronia and Forest roads, Bayswater, being portion of Crown lot 69, parish of Scoresby; and 'Swansea,' Beach-road, Mordialloc.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ferntree Gully are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £111, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Moorabbin are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £25.

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

"A. E. CHANDLER."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Rodney Shire, and are known as allotments 87 and 88, part allotments 85, 86, and 89, parish of Murchison North.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rodney are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £225.

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

"FRANK G. CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM LIONEL RUSSELL CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twelve hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Bulla, and are known as 'Rupertswood' and two hundred and thirty-three acres, Sunbury, being part of W. J. T. Clarke's Crown special survey in the parishes of Buttlejork and Bulla Bulla, No. 266 in the rate-book, and Rupertswood Farm, three hundred and eighty-two acres, being Crown allotment 2 and parts of Crown allotment 1 of section 21 of the parish of Bulla Bulla, No. 267 in the rate-book.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bulla are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £1,200.

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

"W. L. RUSSELL CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, GEORGE MARTLEY DAVIS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and ninety-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Rosedale and Sale, and are known as 'Grasslea' (Pearce's Paddock), 1,269 acres in Rosedale; and Mathieson and Davis' offices and saleyards, Frances' stables and Bolitho's tobacconist shop in Sale.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £212 10s., and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Sale are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £84.

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

"G. M. DAVIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JAMES HERBERT DISNEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 'Clontarf Terrace,' Cecil-street, South Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £167.

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

"JAS. H. DISNEY."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Sixty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as No. 1 Claremont Avenue, Malvern.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £62.

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

"W. H. EDGAR."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, GEORGE LOUIS GOUDIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and four pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Karkaroc, and are known as part of Lauriston Estate, being Crown allotment 31 in the parish of Wail.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Karkaroc are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £104.

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

"GEO. L. GOUDIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ALFRED HICKS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick and are known as shops and dwellings Nos. 559 and 561 situate in Sydney-road.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £125.

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

"A. HICKS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM KENDELL*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Hawthorn, and are known as The Oaks, Auburn-road, Auburn.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hawthorn are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £72.

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

"WM. KENDELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ESMOND LAURENCE KIERNAN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as land and property (vol. 3163, fol. 632415) in Livingstone-street, Ivanhoe; block 77, Hordern Estate, Ivanhoe; lot 13 (vol. 3407, fol. 681276) in White-street, Fairfield; and house and land in Waldemar-road, Ivanhoe.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £109.

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

"ESMOND L. KIERNAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, DANIEL LAURENCE MCNAMARA*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Berwick and Caulfield, and are known as allotment 2, section P, and allotment 49A, section Q, parish of Koo-wee-rup East, county of Mornington; also house and land known as 'Iona,' Talbot-avenue, East St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Berwick are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £64, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £50.

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

"D. L. MCNAMARA."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ARTHUR ROBINSON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as Nos. 267 and 269 High-street, St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £80.

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

"ARTHUR ROBINSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HENRY WEEDON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 'Yarallah,' Anderson-street, South Yarra.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £100.

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

"HENRY WEEDON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, EDWARD JAMES WHITE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Dundas and borough of Hamilton, and are known as 'Waratah,' being part of subdivision of the Kenilworth Estate, parish of Gatum Gatum, county of Dundas, containing 1,786½ acres. In the borough of Hamilton is my house and allotment fronting Gray-street; and an allotment at back of Hospital.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dundas are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £150, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of borough of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £44.

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

"E. J. WHITE."

His Honor Mr. Justice Cussen attested the Oath Roll, and then withdrew.

5. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, J. G. Aikman, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, Walter S. Manifold, J. McWhae, R. B. Rees, H. F. Richardson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM ADDISON ADAMSON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds and upwards above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as No. 396 Bourke-street, Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £690.

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

"W. A. ADAMSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN GEORGE AIKMAN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Dandenong, and are known as part of Crown allotment 6A, and part of Crown allotment 143, parish of Lyndhurst, county of Mornington.

"And I further declare than such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dandenong are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £116.

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

"J. G. AIKMAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM LAWRENCE BAILLIEU*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Gisborne, and are known as all those pieces of land containing respectively fourteen acres one rood and twelve perches and thirty-six acres and three roods being allotment 'A,' section three, parish of Macedon, county of Bourke, and being the lands more particularly described in certificates of title volume 1950 folio 389868, and volume 3200 folio 639893.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Gisborne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £300.

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

"W. L. BAILLIEU."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, THEODORE BEGGS, of Eurambeen, Beaufort, grazier, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-one pounds ten shillings above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ripon, and are known as Crown allotments 70B, 73C, 74, 74A, and 73B, parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, containing 206 acres.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ripon are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £51 10s.

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

"THEODORE BEGGS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, FREDERICK WILLIAM BRAWN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as three brick cottages situate in Mill-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £124.

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

"F. W. BRAWN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, EDWARD JOLLEY CROOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of 'The Holey Plain Estate.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £227.

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

"E. J. CROOKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JOHN PERCY JONES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 20, 22, 24, and 26 Patrick-street, Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £350.

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

"J. P. JONES."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WALTER SYNNOT MANIFOLD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and six pounds (£206) above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool, and are known as parts of Crown allotment 24A and Crown allotment 23A¹, parish of Mepunga, county of Heytesbury, containing three hundred and thirty-three acres three roods and eighteen perches.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £206.

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

"WALTER MANIFOLD."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN McWHAE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Morwell, and are known as 'Waltair,' being allotments 40A, 40B, parish of Wonyip, containing 315 acres 3 roods 19 perches.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Morwell are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £60.

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

"JOHN McWHAE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, RICHARD BLOOMFIELD REES*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Swan Hill, and are known as shop and dwelling properties, situate in Campbell-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Swan Hill are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of above £100.

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

"R. B. REES."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HORACE FRANK RICHARDSON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong, and are known as 'The Exchange' property, Little Malop-street, Geelong, and occupied by myself and tenants.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £220.

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

"H. F. RICHARDSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Marilla,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £450.

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

"A. O. SACHSE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of the shires of Waranga and Deakin, and are known as, firstly, Crown allotments 70E, 70F, parish of Moora, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga; secondly, Crown allotment 40, in the parish of Burrumboot East, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga; and thirdly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, 41B, in the parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga and are firstly above described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £52; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga and are secondly above

described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £52; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin and are thirdly above described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £54.

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

“J. STERNBERG.”

6. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Clerk announced that the time had arrived for proceeding to the election of a President of the Council.

The Honorable A. Robinson, addressing the Clerk, proposed to the Council for their President the Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold and moved, That the Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold do take the Chair of the Council as President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable A. O. Sachse.

The Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold, addressing the Clerk, expressed the high sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the Council.

The Council then unanimously calling the Honorable Walter Synnot Manifold to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by the Honorable A. Robinson and the Honorable A. O. Sachse and conducted to the Chair; and, standing on the dais, he returned his acknowledgments to the Council for the great honour that had been conferred upon him, and thereupon he took the Chair of the President.

Then the Honorables A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, W. L. Baillieu, and J. P. Jones congratulated the Honorable the President.

The Honorable A. Robinson announced that His Excellency the Governor would be pleased to receive the Honorable the President-elect and Members of the Legislative Council at a quarter to two o'clock this afternoon, in the Library of the State Parliament House.

7. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

I have summoned you for the consideration of important public business.

I regret that this is the last occasion on which I shall have the privilege of calling together the representatives of the people of this State.

I bid you farewell profoundly grateful for the wide experience I have gained on Imperial affairs.

During the time that I have had the honour of representing His Majesty the King in Victoria we have shared his anxieties, and rejoice with him in the victories of the forces of the Empire. The enemy is totally defeated, the vast schemes of world dominion planned by Germanic Confederacy have been annihilated.

The steadfastness of the people and of the Parliament has supported me in the confident belief I have always held of the ultimate triumph of our just cause.

Following upon the Armistice in November last, and the momentous deliberations of the Peace Conference, peace has been signed.

Our sailors and soldiers were sharers in every peril of the War. Our people have displayed a splendid patriotism.

In these circumstances, we are entitled to participate in the thankfulness felt on the establishment of peace, and to rejoice that a new era in the world's history has begun.

But peace brings many problems which are of vital concern to the welfare of the people, and demand for their solution the same spirit of patriotism that carried the war to a successful issue.

My Advisers are giving careful and earnest thought to these questions of reconstruction; and will submit for your consideration proposals affecting the finances of the State, repatriation and land settlement, the provision of roads and the supply of water in country districts, the housing of the people, the safeguarding of the public health, the fostering of production in agriculture and manufacture, the improvement of the conditions of employment of industrial workers, and the extension of facilities for education.

My Advisers have exercised judicious economy in every Department; and as a result there will be considerable savings upon the original estimates of last year. It is assured that when the accounts for the year are closed in July there will be a surplus.

Highly satisfactory arrangements have been made in connexion with the London loan of £4,000,000, maturing on the 1st October next; £1,000,000 will be absolutely redeemed.

Every effort is being made to induce the Government of the Commonwealth to abstain from altering the existing financial arrangement under which the States receive an annual *per capita* payment of Twenty-five shillings.

An Income Tax Bill will be introduced which will go far towards arriving at uniformity in the methods of Commonwealth and State taxation; and negotiations are proceeding with the Governments of the Commonwealth and of the other States with a view to the amalgamation of the Taxation Departments.

The settlement of soldiers upon the land has been one of the chief activities of the Government during the past twelve months. The organization of closer settlement administration has been expanded to meet the unprecedented demand. The Commonwealth Repatriation Authorities have informed my Advisers that they anticipate this State's quota of soldier settlers will be 5,395, and already 1,555 have been placed upon the land. Additional areas have also been purchased and are now being made ready. It is anticipated that the cost to Victoria of soldier settlement upon the land will amount to £10,000,000. The Commonwealth Government is assisting the State; but the burden on the State, though willingly borne, is nevertheless heavy.

While provision for our own soldiers is being made, my Advisers, recognising the urgent need of increased population and the desirability of reciprocity between the different parts of the Empire, will encourage immigration by suitable settlers from the Imperial armies.

The extension of three Mallee railways to open up some 400,000 new acres for soldier settlers has been pressed on with, and settlement in these districts will be put in hand immediately.

Assistance has been given, by way of advances, to settlers burnt out by bush fires last summer, and a larger sum than ever before has been spent upon the eradication of rabbits. The abundance of grass, the impossibility of obtaining wire netting, and the absence of many farmers at the war have combined to make this pest very severe, and legislation will be introduced to place the control of vermin and noxious weeds upon a sounder basis.

The State Rivers and Water Supply Commission has had a successful year, and has thrown open for soldier settlement as much irrigable land as the state of our water conservation warrants. Further storage works are approaching completion at Sugarloaf and Waranga Reservoirs.

The River Murray Commission has commenced the construction of the first Victorian lock upon the Murray at Torrumbarry. This will enable a full supply of irrigation water to be given to 130,000 acres in the Kow Swamp and north-west lakes districts. Another lock will be put in hand immediately at Mildura. Further, the site of the Upper Murray dam has finally been determined at the junction of the Mitta with the Murray, after much difficulty in finding suitable bed-rock, and this great work, which will conserve the water of our main river system, will be proceeded with as fast as possible.

Next year the storage capacity of the State for irrigation purposes will approximate 1,000,000 acre-feet, which is double the capacity in 1916, and six times that of the drought year of 1902.

The State Rivers and Water Commission has drawn up a scheme for the irrigation in Gippsland of the Boisdale Closer Settlement area, and also of large adjoining blocks of land, from the Macalister River, above Maffra. This scheme, if accepted by the land-owners interested, will greatly increase the supplies and yields of beet for the Maffra Sugar Factory, besides adding greatly to the general prosperity of the district.

The passing of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act enabled Parliament to secure (by an amendment of the Country Roads Act and a large extension of the developmental roads principle) substantial benefits to country producers by greater provision for road purposes.

Six thousand five hundred miles of main roads have been taken over by the Country Roads Board, one-half of the maintenance of which has to be provided out of the maintenance fund of the Board.

Under the Developmental Roads Act of last session, the Board has taken in hand the preparation of an extensive system of developmental roads, with a view to putting in hand at once the improvement of the worst sections of the roads.

The contemplated expenditure on developmental roads during the current year is £400,000. This will enable many more roads to be dealt with under the provisions of this Act.

Measures will be introduced to further facilitate the provision by municipalities of homes for persons of small means, and to give to councils additional powers for dealing with the reclamation of overcrowded and insanitary areas; and to amend the law with regard to building regulations.

One of the most important measures of the session will be a Bill relating to the public health. The existing legislation on this subject is defective; and the Bill will contain provisions bringing the law into conformity with recent legislation and practice.

These measures should prove effective in removing and preventing the unsatisfactory conditions described in the reports of the Royal Commission on Housing.

My Advisers feel that the stimulation of agricultural production will prove to be one of the most valuable aids towards meeting the financial obligations of the community arising out of the war; and they have therefore decided, after full consideration, that an effective policy in regard to agricultural development and agricultural education should be carried out; and measures making the necessary financial provision to this end will be submitted.

Realizing the benefits to primary producers which have resulted from the action of the Government during the past season in affording facilities for the export of meat direct on the producers' account, it is proposed to ask Parliament to indorse the action of the Government in constructing an additional 300,000 cubic feet of cool storage space at the Government cool stores, Victoria Dock.

In this connexion, the establishment of co-operative export slaughtering and freezing works in country districts will be encouraged, and the interests of producers will be promoted by facilitating co-operative effort in establishing central slaughtering works, and assisting the marketing of meat and other primary products.

Deepening operations are proceeding at Port Phillip Heads, and such good progress has been made that no vessel has been inconvenienced during the present year.

With the supply of explosives now becoming normal it is anticipated that sufficient depth will soon be provided to accommodate the largest vessels that may be expected to visit the port for some years.

A Bill will be introduced to provide for altering the constitution of the University, for improving its financial position, and for extending its educational advantages by loans to students of small means.

Last session an Act was passed to insure better control over the forests of the State by the appointment of a Board of three Commissioners, with wide powers of management and control; and the Government has selected suitable persons to administer the Act. This legislation should secure the more systematic and intensive management of our forests, the planting of useful exotic softwoods, and the better utilization of our valuable hardwoods and other forest products; and should add greatly to the value of one of the most important natural assets of Victoria.

The Government, in compliance with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act, has appointed a Board of seven members to manage and control the whole of the tramway undertakings in the metropolis not carried on as private undertakings.

The settlement of the long-standing litigation between the Cable Tramway Board and the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Co. has enabled a further calculation to be made as to the amount of the accumulated surplus on the operations of the cable tramways since the Cable Tramway Board took them over.

Unforeseen shrinkage of revenue and the heavy expenditure connected with the installation of electric lighting in the cable cars have caused some variation in the amount originally estimated as likely to be the surplus in the hands of the Cable Tramway Board. This, I am happy to say, is not of such an extent as to be likely to cause embarrassment to any of the municipalities concerned.

In accordance with the Electricity Commissioners Act, Professor T. R. Lyle, the Hon. George Swinburne, and Mr. A. McKinstry have been appointed Electricity Commissioners, with Professor Lyle as Chairman.

My Advisers consider themselves fortunate in securing the services of gentlemen of such high technical knowledge and practical experience.

The Commissioners and their officers are preparing and collecting the necessary plans, specifications, estimates, and particulars in regard to the generation of electricity from brown coal at Morwell, as required by the Act. A competent hydro-electrical engineer has also been at work for some time on the subject of the utilization of water power for electrical undertakings. Data in the possession of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission have been placed at the disposal of the Electricity Commissioners, and reliable statistics of water power available should thus be secured.

Acting upon the advice of the Electricity Commissioners, my Advisers intimated that concessions to companies or individuals for the supply of electricity in bulk to the Metropolis would not be granted. My Advisers are of opinion that the control of so great a public utility as the supply of electrical energy in bulk should be in the hands of the Government.

Particulars of a scheme or schemes to provide adequate bulk supply of electrical energy for the Metropolis and places *en route* from the generating station will be submitted to Parliament at an early date.

The difficulties caused to manufacturers and others by intermittent coal supplies will then cease to hamper the development of the State, while decentralization will be stimulated by large generating plants being erected and worked in the rural districts.

On the retirement of the Chief Commissioner of Police, an officer with extensive administrative experience was appointed as his successor. Several important recommendations submitted by the new Chief Commissioner for reorganization and improved conditions in the Police Force have been carried into effect.

In addition to the effect of the influenza epidemic, the revenue from the Railways has been adversely affected by the necessity of storing wheat at country centres instead of transporting it direct to the sea-board; and the reduction in fares and freights made in the last quarter of the year 1917-18 has substantially reduced the earnings of this Department.

There has, however, been a satisfactory buoyancy in the traffic generally, and, as a result, it is anticipated that the revenue for the year, though it will be considerably lower than that for 1917-18 for the reasons stated, will equal or somewhat exceed the estimate framed at the beginning of the year.

After the numerous delays caused by the War, the benefits of the electrification of the Suburban lines are now being partially realized. During the past few weeks electric trains have been in operation between Sandringham and Essendon, thus affording the public an opportunity of appreciating the great improvement in the frequency and speed of the trains, and the comfort of passengers, which will result from the conversion scheme.

It is expected that a full electric service will shortly be provided on the St. Kilda and Port Melbourne lines, and that the Williamstown line will experience the benefits of electric traction by about the end of this year. With the conclusion of the War, it may be anticipated that the many difficulties which surrounded the progress of electrification in the past will not recur, and that it will be possible to prosecute the scheme vigorously until the whole of the Suburban system is electrified.

After thorough consideration, it is proposed to appoint a tribunal composed of representatives of the Commissioners and of the men, with a Judge of County Courts as chairman, to deal with wages and general working conditions in the Railway service; and a Bill will be introduced to give effect to the proposal.

The Determinations of Wages Boards constituted under the Factories and Shops Act will substantially apply to the Railway Employés in grades covered by such Determinations.

In view of the increased cost of living, measures will be submitted to you affecting the remuneration of the lower-paid officers and employés in the Public Service, and of the members of the Police Force.

At the beginning of the year an outbreak of pneumonic influenza occurred in Victoria. So far, it has been possible to confine it within reasonable limits, and the epidemic has not been as serious in Victoria as in New Zealand and elsewhere. To-day, we have a highly organized service capable of dealing with any recurrence. The epidemic has, however, considerably diminished the revenues of the State (particularly the Railways revenue), as well as the earnings of the tramways.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates of Expenditure which will be laid before you have been prepared with a due regard to economy, and provide adequately for the requirements of the State.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In addition to the measures to which reference has been made, Bills will be introduced during the session dealing with the following subjects :—

The removal of the hardship to which many poor and deserving mothers are now subjected in having their children committed under the Neglected Children's Act ;

The amendment of the Licensing Acts (Early Closing) ;

The Control of Metropolitan Streams, and Main Drainage ;

Gas Supply in the Metropolis ;

The amendment of the Factories and Shops Acts ;

Harbor Trusts ;

Theatres ;

Hospitals and Charities ;

The Registration of Nurses ;

Dairy Products ;

Slaughtering for Export ;

Noxious Weeds ;

Mining on Private Property ;

Amendment of the Land Acts (Mountainous areas).

I now leave you to your deliberations, which will, I trust, under the blessing of Divine Providence, materially promote the welfare of the people of Victoria.

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

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had caused the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide Facilities for enabling certain Marriages in Fact to be declared not to be invalid,*" which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received His Majesty's assent on the 5th day of February, 1919, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, and forwarding a copy of such Proclamation.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,

It is with great pleasure that I approve of the choice made by the Legislative Council in your appointment to fill the high and honorable position of President of that Chamber, and I feel assured that you will uphold the dignity of the distinguished office to which you have been elected.

11. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to amend the Marriage Acts was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

12. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications :—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable William Addison Adamson,
The Honorable William Lawrence Baillieu,
The Honorable Theodore Beggs,
The Honorable Frederick William Brawn,
The Honorable James Drysdale Brown,
The Honorable John Percy Jones, and
The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne,

to be members of a Committee to be called "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications."

Given under my hand this eighth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President of the Legislative Council.

13. ADDRESS TO HON. SIR J. M. DAVIES, K.C.M.G. (EX-PRESIDENT).—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Council agree to the following address :—

To the Honorable Sir John Mark Davies, K.C.M.G.

We, the Members of the Legislative Council of Victoria in Parliament assembled, desire to convey to you on the termination of your Parliamentary labours our sincerest wishes for your happiness and welfare.

We share the general regret that your health prevented you from offering yourself for re-election, and that thus your long career of Parliamentary usefulness has been brought to a close.

During the many years you presided over our deliberations you have won the esteem of all Members by the zeal and ability you brought to bear upon the duties of your high office.

We earnestly pray that in your retirement from public life you may not only enjoy better health, but reap the fruits of a long and distinguished career, and we assure you that we shall always retain towards you the tenderest feelings of affection and regard.

And other honorable members having addressed the House—

The President said—

I should like to say a few words before putting the motion. The only drawback to the gratification with which I received this appointment to-day is that I am afraid it is paid for too dearly by the Council. It has only been rendered possible by the retirement of the ex-President, whom we all respect and esteem, and even love, or, at any rate, I can say that of those who know him well. Mr. Baillieu has referred to Sir John Davies' great kindness towards the Ministry that displaced the Government of which he was a member. On several occasions when Sir John was leading the House it happened that I disapproved of several clauses of Bills for which he was responsible. I went to him, and he actually drafted amendments for me against his own Bills. That shows what a really great man he is. We are aware of his present infirmity, and although I have seen him many times, I have not heard him make any complaint. His retirement is a loss to the Council and to the whole State. He held many offices, and emerged from them all with credit to himself and undoubted credit to the State. I regard him as having a greater intellect than any man I have ever met. No matter how complex might be the question that was brought under his notice, he could, without any hesitation, lay his hand on the strong and the weak points. I am sure that in that respect we shall miss him very much indeed.

The question was then put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Clerk be directed to enter upon the Minutes that the foregoing address was passed unanimously.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. THE LATE HONORABLE DONALD MELVILLE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this House hereby records its sense of the great loss that has fallen upon it through the death of the Honorable Donald Melville. His devoted labours to the Parliament of Victoria for thirty-seven years, as a Minister of the Crown, a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, a member of the Library Committee, and also as a private member, caused him to be regarded by all with respect, affection, and honour.

And other honorable members having addressed the House—

The President said—

There is not much that I can add to the tributes that have been paid to the memory of our late colleague, Mr. Donald Melville. From the time when I entered the House until the time of his death I found him to be so true, so kind-hearted, so willing to talk things over, and of such broad view, that I feel that in losing him we have lost a man whose place will not be easily filled. He was every inch a gentleman. He was a fine type of Scotchman, and was a very good man to represent his native country out here. I wish we had more members like him.

The question was then put and, honorable members signifying their assent by rising in their place, unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

15. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the following Members of this House be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, viz. :—The Honorables Alfred Hicks and Horace Frank Richardson.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. PAPERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Bendigo Express Accident—Report of the Royal Commission.

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year 1917-18.

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1917-18.

Fisheries—Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Fisheries and Fisheries Industries.

Police Inquiry—Report of the Board of Inquiry into certain charges made against Constable Vivian Fattorini, of Bendigo.

Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1918.

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1918.

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 31st December, 1918.

For the quarter ended 31st March, 1919.

- Companies Act 1915, Rule 196—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court.
 Country Fire Brigades Board—Report for the year 1918, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.
 Education Act 1915—
 Regulation rescinded.
 Regulation rescinded, Regulation substituted (2 papers).
 Exhibition Trustees—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1917–18.
 Explosives Act 1915—Report of the Chief Inspector on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1918.
 Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to Issue a Proclamation to prohibit all fishing in Ault Berg and Kalaitha Creeks.
 Forests Act 1915—Report of the State Forests Department for the year 1917–18.
 Fruit Act 1917—Amended Regulation.
 Health Acts—Regulations and Standards for Foods and Drugs.
 Justices Acts—Additional Rules (2 papers).
 Legal Profession Practice Act 1915—Council of Legal Education—Amendment of Rules.
 Marine Act 1915—Amendment of the Regulations—
 For the equipment of ships with life-saving appliances.
 With respect to issue of Pilotage Exemption Certificates.
 Mental Treatment Act 1915—Amendment of Regulations.
 Mines Act 1915—List of Suspensions of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences granted during the year 1918.
 Motor Car Act 1915—Regulation.
 Public Service Acts—
 Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of J. W. Butler from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Lands and Survey.
 Regulations—
 Addendum to the Regulations.
 Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 Department of Lands and Survey.
 Department of Public Works (3 papers).
 Department of Treasurer (2 papers).
 Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—
 Department of Chief Secretary.
 Department of Lands and Survey.
 Travelling by bicycle.

Railways—

- Reports of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—
 For the quarter ending 31st December, 1918.
 For the quarter ending 31st March, 1919.

Twenty-ninth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

17. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting an Address to His Majesty the King, and also an Address to His Excellency the Governor, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

The Address to His Majesty the King was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire, on behalf of the people of Victoria, to offer Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations on the re-establishment of Peace on terms honorable to Your Empire and Your Allies and founded on justice and right.

We humbly acknowledge the mercy of Almighty God throughout the fateful years of war, and pray for the blessings of Divine guidance in the great difficulties and trials that still confront, not only Your Empire, but all peoples of the world consequent on the upheaval caused by the terrible struggle now so justly ended.

We gratefully and proudly acknowledge the heroic valour of the sailors and soldiers of the Empire and the Allies, and trust that the contemplation of their devotion and noble self-sacrifice may serve to elevate humanity.

We sincerely hope that the great Council of Nations may so guide the world that in future wars will be prevented, and that all international disputes shall be settled by arbitration on just and righteous principles, thus insuring justice, happiness, and prosperity to the peoples of all nations.

We earnestly hope and pray that from the losses, horrors, and sufferings of the War not only lasting peace among the nations may result, but also a more sympathetic understanding between all classes, and so lead to the uplifting of humanity.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the".

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this House agree with the Assembly in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Address, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words “Legislative Council and the”.

The Address to His Excellency the Governor was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency the Governor—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, the accompanying Address for presentation to the King.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words “Legislative Council and the”.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this House agree with the Assembly in the said Address.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Address, and have filled up the blank therein by the insertion of the words “Legislative Council and the”.

18. SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

The Honorable Sir Henry Weedon moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency the Governor’s Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir Henry Weedon moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable Sir Henry Weedon presented the Address, which had been agreed to by the Committee, and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency THE HONORABLE SIR ARTHUR LYULPH STANLEY, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

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

The Honorable Sir Henry Weedon moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Council at its rising adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past four o’clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. B. REES : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Of two parcels of Australian wheat of equal quality sold in the British market, which would realize the better price the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
 - (b) What has been the average price of Australian second-hand wheat bags on the London jute market for an average period before the war and during the war.
 - (c) If our second-hand wheat bags realized an average of 4s. per dozen before the war and over 8s. per dozen during the war, did that price affect the market here so that the farmers realized a portion of the cost of their cornsacks; if so, what portion.
 - (d) Australian wheat being exported to ports in all parts of the world other than Great Britain, especially to New Zealand, South Africa and the eastern ports of Singapore, Hong Kong, and Shanghai, also to Japan, which in the opinion of the Australian Wheat Board would command the better market in these specified ports, the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Is it the intention of the Government to take any action during the present session of Parliament to prevent the barbarous system of strikes and lock-outs being used as a means of dealing with industrial disputes, and will they take steps to make arbitration compulsory in dealing with such disputes.
 - (b) Is it true that, as stated in the daily press, the Navigation Regulations that were passed seven years ago have not yet been put into force.
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers in connexion with the sale and re-sale of the auxiliary schooner *Dart*.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
2. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
3. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
4. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
5. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell, be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.

6. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That the Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, Sir Henry Weedon, J. McWhae, and E. J. White be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
7. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.

Contingent upon the foregoing being carried—

To move, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.

8. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders.
9. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to certain Acts of Indecency.
10. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Acts Interpretation Act 1915*.
11. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Administration and Management of the Estates of Persons receiving Treatment under the *Mental Treatment Act 1915*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)*.
2. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—*(Hon. A. Robinson)*—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William Angliss for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable James Kerr Merritt for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 1602 and 1603), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1917-18 (No. 1).

Fisheries—Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Fisheries and Fisheries Industries (No. 3).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH JULY, 1919.

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

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

Audit Bill—[2].

Annual Report of the Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board for the year 1918. No. 2.

Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Fisheries and Fisheries Industries. No. 3.

Railways Standing Committee—Twenty-ninth General Report. No. 5.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions six hundred and eleven thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and nineteen and One thousand nine hundred and twenty,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, Sir Henry Weedon, J. McWhae, and E. J. White be Members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.
11. CRIMES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 22nd instant.

12. **CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to amend the Law with respect to certain Acts of Indecency was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
13. **ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to further amend the *Acts Interpretation Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
14. **MENTAL TREATMENT BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill relating to the Administration and Management of the Estates of Persons receiving Treatment under the *Mental Treatment Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
15. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
- Closer Settlement Acts—Additions to and Alteration in Regulations.
 - Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Alteration of Regulations (2 papers).
 - Land Act 1915—Addition to the Regulations—Miscellaneous Licences.
 - Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
 - Appointment of Police Magistrates, Chapter I.
 - Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XIII.
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 - Department of Labour.
 - Department of Law.
 - Department of Public Works.
 - Department of Treasurer.
 - Travelling allowances, Chapter IX.—Department of Lands and Survey.
 - Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of General Division.
16. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after the consideration of General Business.
18. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**—
The Honorable W. L. R. Clarke moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William Angliss for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable James Kerr Merritt for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
20. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty-three minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. B. REES: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Of two parcels of Australian wheat of equal quality sold in the British market, which would realize the better price the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
 - (b) What has been the average price of Australian second-hand wheat bags on the London jute market for an average period before the war and during the war.
 - (c) If our second-hand wheat bags realized an average of 4s. per dozen before the war and over 8s. per dozen during the war, did that price affect the market here so that the farmers realized a portion of the cost of their cornsacks; if so, what portion.
 - (d) Australian wheat being exported to ports in all parts of the world other than Great Britain, especially to New Zealand, South Africa and the eastern ports of Singapore, Hong Kong, and Shanghai, also to Japan, which in the opinion of the Australian Wheat Board would command the better market in these specified ports, the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Is it the intention of the Government to take any action during the present session of Parliament to prevent the barbarous system of strikes and lock-outs being used as a means of dealing with industrial disputes, and will they take steps to make arbitration compulsory in dealing with such disputes.
 - (b) Is it true that, as stated in the daily press, the Navigation Regulations that were passed seven years ago have not yet been put into force.
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers in connexion with the sale and re-sale of the auxiliary schooner *Dari*.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of Debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
2. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, Sir Henry Weedon, J. McWhae, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

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 Fisheries—Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Fisheries and Fisheries Industries (No. 3).
 Railways—Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Twenty-ninth General Report (No. 5).
 Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Annual Report for the year 1918 (No. 2).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH JULY, 1919.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2.
 Marriage (Maintenance) Bill—[19].

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

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1919.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable T. H. Payne delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, THOMAS HENRY PAYNE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as ‘Leura,’ Toorak, being Crown portion 30, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £900.

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

“THOS. H. PAYNE.”

- 3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).

- 4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—The President announced that he had received from His Excellency the Governor a Commission, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

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

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this eighth day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and in the tenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,
H. S. W. LAWSON.

Entered on record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
Page 37, this eighth day of July, One thousand nine
hundred and nineteen.

W. A. CALLAWAY.

5. PAPERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Traffic Congestion Board—Report of the Board appointed to Investigate the Problem of
Relieving Congestion of Traffic in Melbourne.

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 :—

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5) of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates :—

Wollaston, near Warrnambool ; Milne's land, near Myrtleford (2 Estates) ; Davies' land, near Kerang ; Struan, near Coleraine ; Green Hills, adjoins Minhamite R.S. ; Mardan, near Leongatha ; Myrtlewood, near Caldermeade ; Horsley Bros., near Outtrim ; Eccles Bros., near Korumburra ; Waori Park, Monomeith Station on property ; Delaney's land, near Youanmite ; Williams' land, near Glenrowan.

Land Act 1915—Particulars of two Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.

6. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable A. Bell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 6 be postponed until Tuesday next.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 29TH JULY, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. B. REES : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Of two parcels of Australian wheat of equal quality sold in the British market, which would realize the better price the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
 - (b) What has been the average price of Australian second-hand wheat bags on the London jute market for an average period before the war and during the war.
 - (c) If our second-hand wheat bags realized an average of 4s. per dozen before the war and over 8s. per dozen during the war, did that price affect the market here so that the farmers realized a portion of the cost of their cornsacks ; if so, what portion.
 - (d) Australian wheat being exported to ports in all parts of the world other than Great Britain, especially to New Zealand, South Africa and the eastern ports of Singapore, Hong Kong, and Shanghai, also to Japan, which in the opinion of the Australian Wheat Board would command the better market in these specified ports, the wheat in bulk or the wheat in bags.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Is it the intention of the Government to take any action during the present session of Parliament to prevent the barbarous system of strikes and lock-outs being used as a means of dealing with industrial disputes, and will they take steps to make arbitration compulsory in dealing with such disputes.
 - (b) Is it true that, as stated in the daily press, the Navigation Regulations that were passed seven years ago have not yet been put into force.
3. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) What is the cost of removing the overburden on brown coal to the ton of produced coal.
 - (b) What is the comparative thickness of the overburden to the face of coal being worked.
4. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will furnish a return showing—
 - (a) The number of persons enrolled as voters on the municipal rolls of Victoria, as and from 10th June, 1919.
 - (b) The number of persons not so enrolled in consequence of their rates being unpaid on that date.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of Debate*—(Hon. A. Bell).
2. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To move, That he have leave to bring in Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.
3. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.

4. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
- (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
5. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Rating on Unimproved Values Act 1915*.
6. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Medical Act 1915*.

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

Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1918. No. 6.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 29TH JULY, 1919.

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

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor forwarding to the Council the following Message from His Majesty the King transmitted by the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies acknowledging the Loyal Address from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly conveying congratulations to His Majesty on the re-establishment of Peace:—

[Copy of telegram received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 17th July, 1919.]

With reference to your telegram July 12th, His Majesty thanks the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria for their Address, and prays with them that the example of our noble dead may help all peoples to uphold righteousness and to maintain peace.

3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable R. B. Rees moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the replies given by the Honorable the Minister to the mover's questions on this day's Notice Paper and on the subject of bulk handling of wheat generally, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

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

Lifts Regulation Act 1915—Additions to Regulations.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of General Business.

6. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915* was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

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 Debate resumed.
 The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 6 be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1919.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Did the Government authorize the Lord Mayor of Melbourne to issue a circular to all the Mayors in the Metropolitan area, or any of them, requesting them to enrol special constables in each centre.
 - (b) For what purpose has the new force been enrolled.
 - (c) If no authority was given by the Government for such action, will the Cabinet take such steps as will prevent any repetition of such an impertinent interference with the duties and privileges of the Honorable the Chief Secretary.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of Debate*—(Hon. G. L. Goudie).
2. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
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R. W. V. McCALL,
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Marine Bill—[43].

Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1918. No. 7.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. REPLY OF SIR J. M. DAVIES TO ADDRESS OF COUNCIL.—The President announced that on Wednesday last he had presented to the Honorable Sir J. M. Davies, K.C.M.G., the Address which was adopted by the Council on the 8th July, and that he had received the following reply :—

Valentines, East Malvern,
July 30th, 1919.

The Honorable Walter S. Manifold,
President of the Legislative Council.

My dear Mr. President,

I most sincerely thank the Legislative Council for passing the resolution on my ceasing to be President which you with Members of the Council and the Officers of the House have this day presented to me. It is most beautifully got up and splendidly engrossed and will be a source of pride to my family and myself. It is one of the many acts of kindness I have received from the Council.

The office of President has been a very pleasant one to me, having had the honor and privilege of presiding over a House notable for the orderly conduct of its business.

In taking an affectionate farewell of Honorable Members and the Officers of the House I wish them every good wish and trust that the Council may continue to act in the best interests of the State.

I am,
Yours very faithfully,
JNO. M. DAVIES.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they had appointed a Committee to join with the Committee of the Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bailey, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Snowball.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—
 - To alter areas closed to oyster dredging, Western Port Bay.
 - To alter the netting boundaries about the Mouths of Mitchell, Tambo, and Nicholson Rivers.
 - To alter the netting restrictions at Metung and Bancroft Bay, in the Gippsland Lakes.
 - To define the Mouth of Sawtell's or Tooradin Creek, Tooradin, and to prohibit netting near such Mouth.
 - To prohibit netting in portion of Lake Tyers.
 - To prohibit trawling in Bays, Inlets, &c.
 - To vary Proclamations regarding the taking of oysters from Western Port Bay.
 - Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Balance-sheet of each of the Undertakings of the Trust for the year 1918.
 - Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for 1918, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1917-18.
 - Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of General Division.
 - Public Service Acts—Regulations—
 - Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division, Chapter III.
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Public Instruction.
 - Travelling allowances, Chapter IX.—
 - Department of Lands and Survey (2 papers.)
 - Department of Public Instruction.

5. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor having been read—
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7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (a) Was a second option given for the purchase of the auxiliary schooner *Dart* before the first one had expired.
 - (b) Was any sum of money paid by the Government or any Member of the Government as compensation for the cancellation of the option; if so, how much.
 - (c) Will he lay on the table of the Library all the correspondence in connexion with this second option.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will lay on the table of the Library—
 - (a) A copy of all correspondence that has passed between the Chief Commissioner of Police and the Lord Mayor of Melbourne *re* the swearing-in of special constables.
 - (b) A copy of all correspondence that has passed between the Lord Mayor of Melbourne and the Mayors of suburban municipalities in connexion with the same.
 - (c) A copy of all declarations taken by police officials as to the necessity or otherwise of such action being taken.

Government Business.

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2. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To move, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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 - Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Street Railway (Report No. 2).
 - Twenty-ninth General Report (No. 5).
 - Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Annual Report for the year 1918 (No. 2).

* PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 6TH AUGUST, 1919.

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

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

Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Street Railway. Report No. 2.

Factories and Shops Bill—[54].

Melbourne and Geelong Aldermen Bill—[58].

Day Baking Bill—[59].

Farm Produce Agents Bill—[60].

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Fair Rents Bill—[62].

Unlawful Assemblies Bill—[55].

Dairy Produce Bill—[4].

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and twelve thousand eight hundred and thirty-six pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and eighteen and One thousand nine hundred and nineteen,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Local Government Acts—Regulations prescribing the form of Ballot-paper and the Forms for recording the distribution of preferential votes at elections of councillors for the City of Prahran.
 - Mildura Vineyards Protection Act 1918—Regulations.
5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 26th instant.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 26th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at five minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 26th instant.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1919.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of Debate*—(Hon. A. Bell).
2. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To move, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 26th August.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—At a quarter past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendall.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 1602 and 1603), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

- Charitable Institutions—Report of Inspector for the year 1917-18 (No. 7).
- Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1917-18 (No. 1).
- Estimates—Supplementary, 1918-19 (B. No. 5).
- Forests—Report of the State Forests Department for the year 1917-18 (No. 4).
- Fisheries—Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Fisheries and Fisheries Industries (No. 3).
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for the year 1918. (No. 9.)
- Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1918. (No. 6.)
- Railways—
 - Reports of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—
 - Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Street Railway (Report No. 2).
 - Mount Moriac to Forest Railway (Moriac to Wensleydale) (Report No. 3).
 - Murchison and Rushworth Railway Deviation (Report No. 1).
 - Twenty-ninth General Report (No. 5).
- Traffic Congestion Board—Report (No. 8).
- Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Annual Report for the year 1918 (No. 2).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH AUGUST, 1919.

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

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

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

Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria for 1918. No. 9.

Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Mount Moriac to Forest Railway. Report No. 3.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the issue of Auctioneers' Licences for Victoria to Auctioneers resident in other States of the Commonwealth of Australia and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
4. AUCTION SALES (INTER-STATE) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section Seven of the 'Audit Act 1915'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
6. AUDIT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of Messages from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the following resolutions, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein :—

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in connexion with the trade of sugar refining.

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a seller of dairy produce or cooked meat.

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons (other than persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Hotel Employees Board) employed at charing work in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on ; also, that this resolution be substituted for the resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd day of September, 1912, and by the Legislative Council on the 31st day of October, 1912, declaring that it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on.

Ordered—That the foregoing Messages be taken into consideration on Tuesday, the 9th September next.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to certain Children without sufficient Means of Support and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

9. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
10. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estate :—Blythvale, 2 miles Mininera.
 Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Accounts for the year 1918.
11. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by the President and such Members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until later this day.
13. CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until Tuesday next.
15. SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, *Children's Maintenance Bill—Second Reading*, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1919.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether, in view of the urgent need of agricultural training for returned soldiers wishing to become farmers, the Government will—
 - (a) provide further accommodation for returned soldiers at Dookie and Werribee Agricultural Colleges.
 - (b) classify a list of competent farmers willing to train returned soldiers.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
2. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. AUDIT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. AUCTION SALES (INTER-STATE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
7. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

6. SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS—*The question is, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture ; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).*

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in connexion with the trade of sugar refining”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a seller of dairy produce or cooked meat”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons (other than persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Hotel Employees Board) employed at charing work in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on ; also, that this resolution be substituted for the resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd day of September, 1912, and by the Legislative Council on the 31st day of October, 1912, declaring that it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1919.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The President reported that, accompanied by Honorable Members, he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council, adopted on the 26th August last, in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech, and that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

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

I fully rely on your wisdom in deliberating upon the important measures to be brought under your consideration, and I earnestly hope that the results of your labours will be conducive to the advancement and prosperity of this State.

- 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1918-19.
 - Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates:—
 - Liesfields, near Beulah.
 - Prospect, near Sale.
 - Land Act 1915—Particulars of Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 110.

- 4. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

- 5. MENTAL TREATMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

- 6. AUDIT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

7. AUCTION SALES (INTER-STATE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 16th instant.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 16th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-six minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 16th instant.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in view of the urgent need of agricultural training for returned soldiers wishing to become farmers, the Government will—
 - (a) provide further accommodation for returned soldiers at Dookie and Werribee Agricultural Colleges.
 - (b) classify a list of competent farmers willing to train returned soldiers.
2. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (a) How many trains on the Bendigo line during the month of August—
 - (i) started late
 - (ii) arrived late.
 - (b) What caused the delay—
 - (i) in starting
 - (ii) in arriving.
 - (c) In particular, what was the cause of the delay of the 12.15 p.m. train to Bendigo on Saturday, the 29th August, and of the 5.43 p.m. train on Monday, the 1st September; and at what time did these trains start.
3. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inquire into the cruel treatment by the Railways department of the valuable mare "Vauntillo," which, according to *The Herald*, was side-tracked, and took over forty-eight hours to travel from Melbourne to Donnybrook, a distance of eighteen miles, and was kept without food and water for the whole of that time.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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4. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
5. CRIMES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
6. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
6. SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS—*The question is*, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendall.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1919.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. THE LATE HONORABLE SIR JOHN MARK DAVIES, K.C.M.G.—The Honorable J. McWhae moved, by leave, That this House places on record its deep sense of the public loss caused by the death of the Honorable Sir John Mark Davies, K.C.M.G. The high public character which always distinguished him during his long and eminent political career, his devoted labours to this House as President, Leader, and Unofficial Leader, and his services to the State in the many Ministerial and other offices which he held, caused him to be regarded by all classes of the community with honour, respect, and affection.

And other honorable Members having addressed the House—
 The President said—

In putting the motion to the House, I desire to add a few words to express my deep sorrow at the death of Sir John Davies. The motion has been so ably proposed by Mr. McWhae and seconded by the unofficial Leader of the House and supported by other honorable members, that it is not easy to add anything further. One could not help feeling, when the members were addressing themselves to this motion, that they spoke with all sincerity and with every possible respect to our late President. I knew Sir John Davies for a considerable portion of my life. First of all, I knew him as well as any articled clerk could possibly know another man in the same profession practising in another office. We had a great deal to do with each other in connexion with important equity suits. Later on in life I had also a great deal to do with him in connexion with two rather unlucky investments which we had made in Queensland. For the last eighteen years I saw a good deal of him, as we were both members of this House during that time. Throughout all the period of our acquaintance I recognized him as the most brainy man I ever met, and as one of the most upright and honorable it would be possible to meet. He has left behind him the name of having been a tower of strength to this Council, and to every Cabinet in which he held office. He was disinterested, clear-sighted, and inflexible in any case which he considered just. As the unofficial Leader of this House he was always fair in his criticism of any measure brought before us. He was a most lucid speaker, and never clouded his remarks with an unnecessary word. He always went straight to his point, and made it clear to everybody. Of all the distinguished men this Council has been fortunate enough to have as President, I think Sir John Davies stood in the front rank as a statesman, and he was also an absolutely incorruptible English gentleman, than whom no higher type could possibly be found. It was a great grief to me that I was not able to join with those who paid their last respects to him by attending his funeral. I was laid up with a severe cold, and I thought it would be highly imprudent for me to leave my home. I felt my enforced absence all the more because I had lost a personal and very dear friend. I concur in everything that has been said with regard to Sir John Davies, and I think nothing good enough could be said of a man of his standing and character.

The question was then put and, honorable members signifying their assent by rising in their places, unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

- 3. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the House out of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Sir John Mark Davies, K.C.M.G., do now adjourn until a quarter to eight o'clock this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until a quarter to eight o'clock this day.

- 4. The President resumed the chair.
- 5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—
Children's Maintenance Bill.
Audit Bill.
Auction Sales (Inter-State) Bill.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Testing Grading and Manufacture of Dairy Produce and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
7. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the State Savings Bank Acts and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
9. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. L. R. Clarke moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the reply given by the Honorable the Minister to the mover's question No. 2 on this day's Notice Paper, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

11. PAPERS.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Mines—Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines for the year 1918.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1919.

Medical Act 1915—Dental Board of Victoria—Regulations.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for the year 1918–19.

Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Treasurer.

State Accident Insurance Office—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet, for the year 1918–19.

Supreme Court Act 1915—Rules of the Supreme Court—Alterations.

12. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in connexion with the trade of sugar refining," having been read—

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

13. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a seller of dairy produce or cooked meat," having been read—

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

14. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—"That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons (other than persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Hotel Employees Board) employed at charing work in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on; also, that this resolution be substituted for the resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd day of September, 1912, and by the Legislative Council on the 31st day of October, 1912, declaring that it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as office-cleaner in any building in which any process, trade, business, or occupation is carried on," having been read—

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

15. MARRIAGE (MAINTENANCE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next at half-past three o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

NOTE.—MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT FOUR O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. A. HICKS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (a) How many returned soldiers who have received their qualification certificates are unable to get land.
 - (b) Is it the policy of the Closer Settlement Board to purchase for soldier settlement small estates and not large ones.
 - (c) Have the owners of large estates been asked to sell their land, or a portion of it, for soldier settlement ; if so, how many were asked, and how many were willing to sell.
 - (d) If land is still required for soldier settlement, why has the compulsory clause not been brought into operation.
2. The Hon. J. D. BROWN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will cause to be exhibited in one of the rooms of Parliament House the plans of the new buildings proposed to be erected at the University of Melbourne.
3. The Hon. W. KENDALL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to proceed with the whole or any part of the work of erecting both country and terminal wheat silos, seeing that all plans and specifications for the same have been prepared.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
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2. The Hon. J. D. BROWN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendall, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
6. SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS—*The question is*, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1919.

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

Dairy Produce Bill—[4]. (To Members of Council only.)

State Savings Bank Bill—[70]. (To Members of Council only.)

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

State Accident Insurance Office.—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for period ending 30th June, 1919. No. 12.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
 High Prices Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 1—"The Reports of the Inter-State Commission".
 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 :—
 Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1918-19.
3. PORTLAND HARBOR.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report of the Sub-committee appointed by the Cabinet to investigate and report upon the causes which have operated against the development of the deep sea harbor at Portland, and to suggest means for improving the trade of that Outer Port, particularly in regard to the export of wheat.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented—
 Portland Harbor—Report of the Sub-committee appointed by the Cabinet to inquire into the development of Portland as a Shipping Centre—Return to the foregoing Order.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. L. Baillieu, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 7th October next.
6. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—This Bill¹ was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 Ordered—That the Report be taken into consideration on Tuesday, the 7th October next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, be postponed until Tuesday, the 7th October next.
8. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY.—The Honorable J. D. Brown moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 7th October next.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 7th October next.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 7th October next.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-four minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 7th October next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. D. BROWN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will cause to be exhibited in one of the rooms of Parliament House the plans of the new buildings proposed to be erected at the University of Melbourne.
2. The Hon. W. KENDALL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to proceed with the whole or any part of the work of erecting both country and terminal wheat silos, seeing that all plans and specifications for the same have been prepared.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu).
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Consideration of Report.
3. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

6. **SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS**—*The question is, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture ; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).*
7. **METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY**.—*The question is, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—Resumption of debate—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).*

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
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- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. J. CROOKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers relating to the purchase of the Prospect Estate, Gippsland.
2. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether, in view of the high cost of living and the smallness of the amount of 6s. per week paid for each child boarded out under the Neglected Children's Act, the Government propose to increase the amount paid for each such child.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
4. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
5. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
6. SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS—*The question is*, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States—(Hon. W. H. Edgar)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).

7. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY.—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(*Hon. J. D. Brown*)—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*).

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. F. G. CLARKE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to the Training Qualifications and Registration of Masseurs and for other purposes.
2. The Hon. F. G. CLARKE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Trusts and Trustees.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Consideration of Report.
3. CRIMES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
4. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
5. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
6. MARINE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, E. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.
Local Government Bill—[86].
Marine Bill—[43]. (To Members of Council only.)
Railways Classification Bill—[51]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.
Electoral Bill—[87].

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1919.

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

2. **THE LATE HONORABLE ALFRED DEAKIN.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That this House desires to express its deep sense of the public loss sustained by the death of the Honorable Alfred Deakin and records its keen appreciation of the eminent services rendered by him during his long and distinguished career to the British Empire, the Commonwealth of Australia of which he was three times Prime Minister, and to the State of Victoria.

And other honorable Members having addressed the House—

The President said—

Before putting the motion I should like to say a few words. I fully recognise what a loss to the Commonwealth of Australia the death of Mr. Alfred Deakin is. The Minister of Lands pointed out that the late honorable gentleman was the first man who brought Australia in the broadest sense before the public of England. Mr. Sachse has also referred to the great work Mr. Deakin did in connexion with irrigation, which he practically had to use all his energies to consummate. It was like all great undertakings which are brought in for the first time, and of which the people have had no experience. Mr. Deakin was undoubtedly the father of irrigation in Australia, and irrigation, we know, has led to prosperity in a part of Australia that was really little used previously. His services will always be remembered by us, and his memory will always hold a prominent place in our history. Nothing could exceed his personal charm, his eloquence, and his devotion to public duty. I indorse everything that has been said about the late statesman, for he was indeed a statesman in the highest sense of the term.

The question was then put and, honorable Members signifying their assent by rising in their places, unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

3. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the House, out of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Alfred Deakin, do now adjourn until a quarter to eight o'clock this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until a quarter to eight o'clock this day.

4. The President resumed the chair.

5. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for a Railways Classification Board and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

6. **RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

7. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Marine Act 1915'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

8. **MARINE BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

9. **THE LATE HONORABLE SIR JOHN MARK DAVIES, K.C.M.G.**—The President announced the receipt of the following letter from Lady Davies :—

Valentines,
24.9.19.

Dear Mr. President,

The motion in the Council on the death of Sir John Davies and the speeches made by his friends are very pleasing and comforting to my family and self, and we desire to thank you and honorable Members for all your kindness and sympathy with us in our loss.

We are proud and glad his work was so much appreciated by Members of the Council which he so loved.

With kind regards,

Believe me, very sincerely yours,

EMILY F. DAVIES.

10. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.**—The Honorable W. Kendell moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the reply given by the Honorable the Minister to the mover's question on this day's Notice Paper, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and negatived.

11. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

High Prices Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 2—Boots.
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 :—

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—

Additions to and Alterations in Regulations.

Report under Section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estate :—Boyd's, near Daylesford.

Education—Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1918-19.

Fisheries Acts—Notice of intention to issue a Proclamation to define the Mouth of Carrum Creek and to prohibit netting near such Mouth.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar for the year 1918.

Land Act 1915—Particulars of lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.

Marine Act 1915—Amendment of "The Passenger (Sailing and Motor) Boat Regulations 1915".

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1918.

Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Public Works (Ports and Harbors).

Tramway Board—Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1918-19.

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

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1919.

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

2. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million seven hundred and eighty-six thousand one hundred and fifty-five pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and nineteen and One thousand nine hundred and twenty*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, to be read a second time later this day.
4. PAPER.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Judges—Report of the Council of Judges under section 28 of the *Supreme Court Act 1915*.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the Order of the Day, *Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3)*—*Second reading*.
6. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, and Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. J. CROOKE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers relating to the purchase of the Prospect Estate, Gippsland.
2. The Hon. A. HICKS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (a) How many estates are there in Victoria of over 5,000 acres.
 - (b) How many estates of over 5,000 acres have been purchased by the Closer Settlement Board for soldier settlement.

Government Business.

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1. The Hon. F. G. CLARKE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to the Training Qualifications and Registration of Masseurs and for other purposes.
2. The Hon. F. G. CLARKE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Trusts and Trustees.

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5. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
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R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 14th October.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—At half-past Three o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—At Seven o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH OCTOBER, 1919.

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

Dairy Produce Bill—[4]. New clause to be proposed by the Hon. W. L. Baillieu. (To Members of Council only.)

Crimes Bill—[16].

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

Nurses Registration Bill—[5]. Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Baird. (To Members only.)

State Royal Commission on High Prices. No. 2 Report.—Boots. (No. 15.)

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year ending 30th June, 1919. (No. 14.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Salary of the Chairman of the Victorian Railways Commissioners*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
4. RAILWAYS (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing, Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 28th instant.
5. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, a Bill to make provision with respect to the Training Qualifications and Registration of Masseurs and for other purposes was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 28th instant.
6. TRUSTS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke a Bill to amend the Law relating to Trusts and Trustees was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 28th instant.
7. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Land Act 1915—Particulars of lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.
River Murray Waters Act 1915—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1918-19, with Appendices.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
9. DAIRY PRODUCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
10. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

11. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—
 Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.
 On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
12. MARINE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until Tuesday, the 28th instant.
14. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the debate be now adjourned until the next day of meeting.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable W. A. Adamson moved, as an amendment, That the words “the next day of meeting” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “this day six months.”
 Debate ensued.
 Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
 Debate continued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned until the next day of meeting—put.
 The Council divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
 F. W. Brawn,
 A. E. Chandler,
 F. G. Clarke,
 E. J. Crooke,
 W. H. Edgar,
 W. Kendell,
 J. McWhae,
 H. F. Richardson.
 A. O. Sachse.
 J. Sternberg.
 Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Hicks,
 T. H. Payne.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
 W. J. Beckett,
 A. Bell,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones,
 E. L. Kiernan.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,
 D. L. McNamara.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Debate adjourned until Tuesday, the 28th instant.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in the *Dairy Produce Bill*.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, the 28th instant.

18. **SCRIPTURE LESSONS IN STATE SCHOOLS.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That in the interests of the State it is desirable that the children attending State schools should be instructed in reverence for God and the Christian law according to the teaching of Holy Scripture; and that this House is therefore of opinion that the parents should be invited to state whether or not they desire that lessons of a non-sectarian character from the Bible should be given to the children of such parents as do not object, and in the event of a majority desiring such lessons that they should be given as in other States, having been read—

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. E. Chandler.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
J. H. Disney,
E. L. Keirnan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. McWhae,
T. H. Payne,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. J. Crooke,
J. P. Jones.

And so it passed in the negative.

19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 7 be postponed until Tuesday, the 28th instant.
20. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 28th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-three minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 28th instant.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. A. HICKS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (a) How many estates are there in Victoria of over 5,000 acres.
 - (b) How many estates of over 5,000 acres have been purchased by the Closer Settlement Board for soldier settlement.
2. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (a) The number of estates purchased for soldier settlement of over £5,000 in value.
 - (b) The name, locality, and amount paid for each estate.
 - (c) The value of improvements on each estate as shown by valuation furnished by the Chief Government Valuer.
3. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if, in view of the fact that work is banking up in another place with important and very essential measures like the Health Bill, and in view of the Government's very strong desire to deal urgently with the question of profiteering, the Government will introduce the Bill dealing with that question into this Chamber so that it may be expeditiously dealt with.
4. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will bring under the notice of the Minister of Railways the fact that the conditions that prevail at the Kyneton railway station refreshment rooms are such that at times many people are unable to be supplied with refreshments in consequence of the crush, the rooms being far too small for the requirements, and request the Minister of Railways to obtain a report with a view of having the necessary alterations made so that the travelling public may be supplied with refreshments and thus do away with the present crush which is so objectionable to the travelling public which includes women and children.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS (COMMISSIONERS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
2. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
3. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH OCTOBER, 1919.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.
Rating on Unimproved Values Bill—[88].
Railways (Commissioners) Bill—[75]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 37, 38, 39, and 40.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 40.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—
Dairy Produce Bill.
Marine Bill.
Marriage (Maintenance) Bill.
Mental Treatment Bill.
Railways Classification Bill.
State Savings Bank Bill.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in the *State Savings Bank Bill*.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Railways Public Works and other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
5. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to make Insanity a Ground for Divorce or Judicial Separation*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
7. DIVORCE (INSANITY) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th November next.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the *Mental Treatment Bill* without amendment.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land at Geelong permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for a Temperance Hall and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
10. GEELONG TEMPERANCE HALL LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for an Exchange of certain Private Land in the Parish of Lang Lang in the County of Mornington and certain Crown Lands and to make certain other Adjustments with respect to Crown Lands in the Parishes of Lang Lang and Yallock in the said County in order to complete a certain Scheme for straightening the Channel of the Lang Lang River, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
12. LANG LANG LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

13. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the *Marriage (Maintenance) Bill* without amendment.
14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
15. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
17. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
18. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Fourteen (as re-enacted) of the ‘Midwives Act 1915’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
19. MIDWIVES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th November next.

20. PAPERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Blacker Case—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire whether or not any improper influence was used with the Solicitor-General or any responsible officer of the Crown Law Department for the purpose of obtaining the withdrawal of certain charges of fraud and forgery made against one John Blacker, ex-President of the Shire of Mornington; and, if so, by whom such influence was used and whether it was in consequence of such influence that the said charges were withdrawn; together with an Appendix.

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1918.

Severally 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:—

Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
General.
Department of Chief Secretary.

21. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable A. Bell moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the Management of the Victorian Railways and especially the shortage of trucks, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
22. RAILWAYS (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
23. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
24. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

25. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

26. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive,

Geelong Temperance Hall Land Bill—Second reading,

Lang Lang Land Bill—Second reading,

and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

27. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will bring under the notice of the Minister of Railways the fact that the conditions that prevail at the Kyneton railway station refreshment rooms are such that at times many people are unable to be supplied with refreshments in consequence of the crush, the rooms being far too small for the requirements, and request the Minister of Railways to obtain a report with a view of having the necessary alterations made so that the travelling public may be supplied with refreshments and thus do away with the present crush which is so objectionable to the travelling public, which includes women and children.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) Will the Government accept the proposed Returned Soldiers' Gratuity Bonds in full settlement of all obligations incurred by them under the Discharged Soldiers' Settlement Act or similar Acts.
 - (b) Will the Government agree to accept these proposed Bonds from Returned Soldiers at their face value for all other indebtedness to the State.
3. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Is it a fact that after many months of consideration and delay the application of Private Sydney Glover, a returned soldier, for some 500 acres of Crown lands at Kimbolton State Forest was refused ; if so, will he state the reasons for such refusal.
 - (b) Will he ascertain if the land in question is on the fringe of the said State Forest, and adjoins the holding of Sydney Glover's father.
 - (c) Will he arrange for the files relating to this case of both the Lands and Forests Departments to be laid on the Table of the Library.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
2. GEELONG TEMPERANCE HALL LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. LANG LANG LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. DIVORCE (INSANITY) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
7. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
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2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*).
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.
3. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
4. MEDICAL BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
5. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(*Hon. J. D. Brown*)—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH OCTOBER, 1919.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.
 Railway Loan Application Bill—[81]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Midwives Bill—[90]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[73]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Local Government (Proportional Representation) Bill—[76].
 Trusts Bill—[68].

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 44, 45, and 46.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 46.
 Brands Bill—[24].
 Local Government (Influenza Expenditure) Bill—[82].
 Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1918, to 30th June, 1919. No. 16.
 Necessary Commodities Control Bill—[84].
 Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Lawson. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—

Railway Loan Application Bill.
Railways (Commissioners) Bill.
Victorian Loan Bill.
Water Supply Loans Application Bill.

- 3. RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.—The President announced the receipt of a communication from the Official Secretary to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor forwarding, by direction of His Excellency, the following letter:—

State Parliament House,
Melbourne, 30th October, 1919.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,
 I have the honour under the provisions of The Constitution Act to tender to you my resignation as a Member of the Legislative Council of Victoria for the North-Western Province.
 I have the honour to be,
 Your Excellency's most obedient servant,
 (Signed) R. B. REES.

His Excellency
 The Honorable Sir W. H. Irvine, K.C.M.G.,
 Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

- 4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to restrict Undue Profit-taking and to provide for the Control of Necessary Commodities and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- 5. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
- 6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to increase the Amount of Money which may be raised under and for the purposes of the 'Water Supply Loans Act 1916'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- 7. WATER SUPPLY LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
- 8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize Councils of Municipalities to provide for Expenditure in connexion with the recent Epidemic of Influenza*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- 9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next

10. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Construction and Maintenance of a Bridge over the River Yarra Yarra in the Cities of Prahran and Richmond*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
11. **CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
12. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Use of Stallions for Stud Purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
13. **HORSE BREEDING BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
14. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

High Prices Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 3—Wheat, Flour, Bread.

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1918.

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, 1919.

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, Part VIII.—Statement showing the names of the persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under Section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates :—

Cove Station, near Serviceton.

Chapman's, near Sea Lake.

Scott's, near Woodside.

Education Act 1915—Regulation added to.

Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1918.

Fisheries Acts—Notice of intention to issue a Proclamation to vary Proclamations *re* Fishing Licences, Registration of Fishing Boats, &c.

Marine Act 1915—Amendment of the Regulations relating to Pilots and Pilotage.

Public Works Loan Application Act 1911—Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts of the Victoria Dock Cool Stores for the year 1918–19 together with a Report by the Manager.

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Fourteenth Annual Report, 1918–19.

University of Melbourne—Annual Report, 1918–19; also Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.

Water Act 1915—Copy of Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the area that ought to be constituted the Echuca (High Street) Flood Protection District.

15. **NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. L. Baillieu, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

16. **WATER SUPPLY LOAN BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until Tuesday next.

18. **GEELONG TEMPERANCE HALL LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

19. **LANG LANG LAND BILL.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.

21. **DIVORCE (INSANITY) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,
G. M. Davis.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
T. H. Payne,
Sir Henry Weedon,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. D. Brown,
A. Hicks.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

22. **CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

23. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive,

Horse Breeding Bill—Second Reading,

and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

24. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-three minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. A. A. AUSTIN: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) How often and on what dates have bales of wool tumbled off trucks travelling along lines in the Western District.
 - (b) What officials were responsible for the faulty loading of such trucks; or, if loaded by the owners of the wool, what officials were responsible for not seeing that they were properly loaded.
2. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, in view of the failure of the brick combine to supply sufficient bricks to satisfy public requirements and the consequent restriction of enterprise and accentuation of the housing problem, what steps, if any, the Government propose to take to increase the supply.
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) Has the Cabinet considered the advisability of accepting the proposed returned soldiers gratuity bonds in full settlement of all obligations incurred by them under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act or similar Acts; if so, what is their decision.
 - (b) Has the Cabinet considered the advisability of accepting these proposed bonds from returned soldiers at their face value for all other indebtedness to the State; if so, what is their decision.
4. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) Is he aware that the lowest paid of all the employees of the Government, namely, the women office cleaners, are the only employees who did not receive a bonus.
 - (b) Is the Government prepared to pay these employees a bonus.
5. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if it is the intention of the Government to introduce legislation this Session for the purpose of reducing the trading hours of shops on Friday nights.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Juries Acts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke).—Second reading—*Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu).*
2. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
7. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
9. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority, to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.

2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
3. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15.
Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 15.
Horse Breeding Bill—[17]. (To Members of Council only.)
Church-street Bridge Bill—[69]. (To Members of Council only.)
Local Government (Influenza Expenditure) Bill—[82]. (To Members of Council only.)
Water Supply Loan Bill—[89]. (To Members of Council only.)
Necessary Commodities Control Bill—[84]. (To Members of Council only.)

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 50 and 51.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 51.
Health Bill—[30]. New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Snowball. (To Members only.)
Finance, 1918-19. A.—No. 1.
Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1918. No. 19.
State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. Fourteenth Annual Report, 1918-19. No. 20.
Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools. Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1918. No. 21.
State Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 3 Report.—Wheat, Flour, Bread. No. 22.
Divorce (Insanity) Bill—[44]. Amendment made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
3. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. MEDICAL BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).
2. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
6. TRUSTS BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
7. CRIMES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
8. MIDWIVES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
9. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
10. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
11. JURIES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second Reading.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. H. Edgar, R. B. Rees, and H. F. Richardson.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendall.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 52, 53, and 54.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 54.
Nurses Registration Bill—[5]. (To Members only.)
Amendment and New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Snowball. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable W. Angliss delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM ANGLISS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield and are known as East and West Terrace, Glen Eira-road, Elsternwick, being lots 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41 on plan of subdivision No. 2418, being part of Crown portion 252 south-east of St. Kilda, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £392.

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

“W. ANGLISS.”

3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—

Geelong Temperance Hall Land Bill.

Lang Lang Land Bill.

Water Supply Loan Bill.

Informing the Council that he had reserved, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, the undermentioned Bill, viz. :—

Divorce (Insanity) Bill.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in the *Divorce (Insanity) Bill*.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Division 8 of Part III. of the ‘Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1918’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

7. JURIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to amend the Juries Acts was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Coal Mines—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines, including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1918–19.

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates :—

Duke's, near Buchan.

Henderson's, near Birchip.

Benayeo, Kowree Shire, near Apsley.

Elderslie, Kowree and Glenelg Shires, near Apsley.

Education Act 1915—Regulation amended.

Legal Profession Practice Act 1915—Council of Legal Education—Amendment of Rules.

Mildura Vineyards Protection Act 1918—Regulations.

Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—

Department of Chief Secretary.

Department of Treasurer.

General.

9. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, further adjourned until to-morrow.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—

Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Tuesday next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

3. RATING ON UNIMPROVED VALUES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

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

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Motion—That the debate be now adjourned—by leave, withdrawn.

Debate continued.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 9.
The Hon. W. L. Baillieu,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
J. P. Jones,
W. Kendell,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.
The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell.

Noes, 12.
The Hon. T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
J. McWhae,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
Henry Weedon.

Tellers.
The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
T. H. Payne.

Tellers.
A. Adamson,
H. Payne.

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5. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Medical Bill—Second reading.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 5 be postponed until Tuesday next.

7. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable A. Hicks, further adjourned until Tuesday next.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

9. PARLIAMENI BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable F. G. Clarke be a member of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings, in place of the Honorable R. B. Rees, resigned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. A. Hicks).
2. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
7. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
8. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
9. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
10. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
11. JURIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second Reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*).
2. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(*Hon. J. D. Brown*)—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 25th November.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—At half-past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

* Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 55.

Health Bill—[30]. Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Webber. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what action the Government intends to take to prevent the screening of picture films that are lowering the moral tone of the community and doing unspeakable injury to the thousands of children who attend the picture theatres.
2. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) What is the total expenditure incurred by the Board under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts including salaries of members of the Board, Staff, Valuers, and Experts, also Allowances, Travelling Expenses, Commissions, and other expenses, if any, but not including cost of land.
 - (b) What is the cost per soldier settled (not including cost of land).

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend Section Sixty-four of the *County Court Act 1915*.
2. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Proprietary Companies and to certain Associations not for Profit.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
4. ESSENDON LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
8. TRUSTS BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
9. CRIMES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
10. MIDWIVES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
11. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
12. JURIES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
- ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.
- * Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.
 Juries Bill—[98].
 Acts Interpretation Bill—[27].
 Surplus Revenue Bill—[96]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Essendon Land Bill—[21]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Necessary Commodities Control Bill—[84]. Amendments to be proposed by Hon. F. G. Clarke and Sir Henry Weedon. (To Members of Council only.)

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 55, 56, and 57.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 57.
 Penal Establishments, Gaols and Reformatory Prisons.—Report for 1918. No. 23.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that there had been returned to him the Writ issued for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Western Province, in the place of the Honorable Richard Bloomfield Rees, resigned, and, by the indorsement on such Writ, it appeared that William Paul Crockett had been elected in pursuance thereof.
3. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable W. P. Crockett having approached the Table, took and subscribed the Oath required by law and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM PAUL CROCKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 245 Glenhuntly-road, Elsternwick.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £75.

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

“ W. P. CROCKETT.”
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and nineteen* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
5. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Closing of Portion of a certain Street in the Municipal District of the City of Essendon and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
7. ESSENDON LAND BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
8. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year 1918–19.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 10.
10. ACTS INTERPRETATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive and No. 11, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at eighteen minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Branding and Ear-marking of Stock*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. BRANDS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Tramway Board, Melbourne—Report for four months ended 31st October, 1919.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—
Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday next.
Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. COUNTY COURT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to further amend Section Sixty-four of the *County Court Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. COMPANIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, a Bill to amend the Law relating to Proprietary Companies and to certain Associations not for Profit was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1919.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to certain Rivers Creeks Streams and Watercourses and Works for Drainage and Flood Protection within the Metropolis and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. ESSENDON LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
9. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
10. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
11. JURIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- *12. COUNTY COURT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- *13. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- *14. BRANDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
15. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

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LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. E. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 27TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

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

Necessary Commodities Control Bill—[84].

Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Baillieu. (To Members of Council only.)

Brands Bill—[24].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 58.

Licensing Bill—[18]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Murphy. (To Members only.)

Health Bill—[30].

New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Groves. (To Members only.)

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

Acts Interpretation Bill—[27]. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government will make inquiries as to whether the statement made in the *Victorian Journal of Agriculture* is correct, that a remedy known as the "Dominion Weed Destroyer", has been found in New Zealand for the destruction of blackberries and gorse ; if so, will the Government obtain supplies of this destroyer for distribution throughout the State by the Government rabbit inspectors or by municipalities.
2. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply—
 - (a) What has caused the great delay in starting the Mitta Mitta dam, since the 17th August, 1915, when the River Murray Waters Act was assented to.
 - (b) What was the date of the Corryong Conference at which the site was definitely chosen, as Mr. Ball, the Minister of Public Works of New South Wales, publicly announced at the opening of the Mitta Mitta dam.
 - (c) Has an engineer-in-charge been chosen.
 - (d) Is the dam to be in three sections, viz., (i) granite, (ii) concrete, (iii) earth.
 - (e) Is this method of construction dangerous.
 - (f) Do the Government propose to push on with the works or do they intend to continue at the present rate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.
2. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. F. G. Clarke).
2. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Fridays, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. McWhae)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. ESSENDON LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
7. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
9. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
10. JURIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
11. COUNTY COURT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
12. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
13. BRANDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
15. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
16. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.
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- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.
- * Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 58, 59, and 60.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 60.

Wheat Marketing Bill—[104].

University Bill—[99].

Licensing Bill—[18].

Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Prendergast. (To Members only.)

Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Messrs. Murphy, Tunnecliffe, and Bailey. (To Members only.)

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

Report of the Inspector of Inebriate Institutions for the year ending 31st December, 1918. No. 27.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply—
 - (a) What has caused the great delay in starting the Mitta Mitta dam, since the 17th August, 1915, when the River Murray Waters Act was assented to.
 - (b) What was the date of the Corryong Conference at which the site was definitely chosen, as Mr. Ball, the Minister of Public Works of New South Wales, publicly announced at the opening of the Mitta Mitta dam.
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 - (e) Is this method of construction dangerous.
 - (f) Do the Government propose to push on with the works or do they intend to continue at the present rate.
2. The Hon. W. A. ADAMSON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers relating to the application of W. J. Connell for two tin mining leases (Lease No. 4815, Gippsland, and Lease No. 7491, Castlemaine) of 20 acres and 30 acres respectively, in the Bunyip river catchment area
3. The Hon. J. G. AIKMAN : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if it is a fact that the Government refused to allow Honour Boards made of brass to be erected outside State schools ; and, if so, will he say why.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. ESSENDON LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
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6. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
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14. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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1. RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands—(*Hon G. L. Goudie*)—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. A. Robinson*).
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- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 61.

Licensing Bill—[18].

Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)
New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Smith. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill, viz. :—
Acts Interpretation Bill.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million and nineteen thousand one hundred and seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and nineteen and One thousand nine hundred and twenty* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the *Acts Interpretation Bill* without amendment.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates :—
Woodlands, and Warrong, near Koroit.
Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—General.
Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of General Division.
7. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson a Bill relating to certain Rivers Creeks Streams and Watercourses and Works for Drainage and Flood Protection within the Metropolis and for other purposes was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
8. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 21.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.**—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the position created by the lack of foster-mothers due to the small amounts paid to them for the care of children, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
3. **RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS.**—The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.
4. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of picture films that are lowering the moral tone of the community and doing irreparable injury to thousands of children who attend picture theatres, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
5. **CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, further adjourned until Wednesday next.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Wednesday next.
7. **ADDITIONAL DAY OF BUSINESS.**—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Fridays, and that half-past four o'clock be the hour of meeting.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
9. **HORSE BREEDING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. McWhae moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. **CHURCH-STREET BRIDGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable A. O. Sachse having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 5 to 16 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 22.

THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **SUBSTITUTED DECLARATION OF MEMBER.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke delivered to the Clerk the following substituted Declaration, viz. :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE CLARKE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Rodney, and are known as part of Crown allotments 86, 87, 88, and 89, parish of Murchison North, County of Rodney.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rodney are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £82 10s.

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

“FRANK G. CLARKE.”

3. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.**—The Honorable W. L. R. Clarke moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the replies given by the Honorable the Minister to the mover's questions on this day's Notice Paper, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
4. **NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 10.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at forty minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will inform the House—
 - (a) The number of valuers employed by the Land Tax Commissioner each year for the past five years.
 - (b) The total salaries paid each year for valuations under the Land Tax Act.
2. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will inform the House—the name, locality, area, and unimproved value (as assessed for State land tax purposes) of each estate of over £5,000 value purchased by the Government for soldier settlement.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
2. ESSENDON LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
7. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
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11. COUNTY COURT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
12. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
13. BRANDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

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LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 62.

Nurses Registration Bill—[5]. Amendments to be proposed after Third Reading by Mr. Baird. (To Members only.)

Railways Classification Board Bill—[105].

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Bill and Memorandum—[46].

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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2. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) Is it not a fact that the operations of the Workers' Compensation Act have disclosed many anomalies.
 - (b) Would it not tend to assist the maintenance of industrial peace if the workers were able to secure the full benefit intended by this class of legislation.
 - (c) Will the Government introduce a Bill this session to correct the anomalies.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
2. JURIES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
3. COUNTY COURT BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
4. COMPANIES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
5. BRANDS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
6. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
7. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*).
8. TRUSTS BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
9. CRIMES BILL—(*Hon. A. Robinson*)—Second reading.
10. MIDWIVES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.
11. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.*Questions.*

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will inform the House—
 - (a) The number of valuers employed by the Land Tax Commissioner each year for the past five years.
 - (b) The total salaries paid each year for valuations under the Land Tax Act.
2. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will inform the House—the name, locality, area, and unimproved value (as assessed for State land tax purposes) of each estate of over £5,000 value purchased by the Government for soldier settlement.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading—Resumption of Debate—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu).

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
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- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH DECEMBER, 1919.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.
Health Bill—[30]. (To Members of Council only.)
Railways Classification Board Bill—[105]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 61, 62, and 63.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 64.

Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines for the year 1918. No. 24.

Electricity Commissioners.—Reports on the Utilization of Brown Coal and Water Power for the Production of Electrical Energy. No. 28.

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 - (a) What rate is charged by individual insurance companies as extra war risk premiums on life assurance policies of members of the Australian Military Forces on active service.
 - (b) What policy is adopted by each company with regard to a proportional rebate on all such premiums paid for periods covering the date of the Armistice.
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 - (a) Is it a fact that South Africa is prepared to purchase a large quantity of Victorian wheat at 8s. 1½d. per bushel.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
2. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading—Resumption of Debate—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu).
3. LICENSING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
5. JURIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. COUNTY COURT BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
7. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
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R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 11th December.

BRANDS BILL—At seven o'clock.

By Authority: ALBERT J. MULLETT, Government Printer, Melbourne.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25.

FRIDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON: To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, and to Private Members' Business taking precedence of Government Business on Wednesdays be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and the Council shall meet on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at Two o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading—*Resumption of Debate*—(Hon. H. F. Richardson).
2. LICENSING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
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12. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
13. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
15. FARMERS ARMS HOTEL (MYSIA) LICENCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
16. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

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R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 16th December.

BRANDS BILL—At half-past Two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 25.
Wheat Marketing Bill—[104]. (To Members of Council only.)
Public Works Loan Application Bill—[78]. (To Members of Council only.)
Licensing Bill (No. 2)—[108]. (To Members of Council only.)
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 66.
Electricity Supply Loan Bill—[111].
Necessary Commodities Control Bill—[84]. Amendments by Legislative Council—how dealt with. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1919.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable J. K. Merritt delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JAMES KERR MERRITT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as ‘Fairholme,’ Fellows-street.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £170.

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

“J. K. MERRITT.”

- 3. SUBSTITUTED DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke delivered to the Clerk the following substituted Declaration, viz. :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE CLARKE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Rodney, and are known as part of Crown allotments 88 and 89, parish of Murchison North, county of Rodney.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rodney are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £61.

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

“FRANK CLARKE.”

- 4. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).
Church-street Bridge Bill.

- 5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Public Health*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

- 6. HEALTH BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

- 7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in the *Church-street Bridge Bill*.

- 8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Payment of certain Moneys during the current Financial Year for the Purposes of Section Fourteen of the ‘Railways Classification Board Act 1919’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

9. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
10. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the action of the Forests Department in opposing the application of Sydney Glover for some five hundred acres of land at Kimbolton and the report of Forester Simmons in connexion therewith, and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
11. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
- Companies Act 1915—Summary of Statements for the year 1918 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
- Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates:—
- Calverts, near Colac (3 estates).
Calverts, near Beeac (2 estates).
- Electricity Commissioners Act 1918—
- Reports on the utilization of brown coal and water power for the production of electrical energy.
- Report by C. H. Merz, Esq., on the scheme for the generation of electricity submitted by the Electricity Commissioners, and comments thereon by the Electricity Commissioners.
- Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Lands and Survey.
- Trade Unions—Thirty-third Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1918; with an Appendix.
- Wheat Marketing Act 1915—Victorian Wheat Commission—Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1919, and Statement of Accounts to that date of the 1915-16, 1916-17, 1917-18, and 1918-19 Seasons.
12. HEALTH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. L. Baillieu, that the debate be adjourned until Thursday next.
13. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- The President left the Chair.
- House in Committee.
- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
14. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of Messages from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the following resolutions, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein, viz:—
- That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument.
- That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a maker of umbrellas.
- Ordered—That the foregoing Messages be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
15. ESSENDON LAND BILL.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

17. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (INFLUENZA EXPENDITURE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 14 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Licensing Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

3. LICENSING BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday next.

5. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. W. L. Baillieu,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
J. D. Brown,
G. L. Goudie,
A. Hicks,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin,
T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Croke,
G. M. Davis,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. Sir Henry Weedon,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—

Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after No. 5.

7. BRANDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Bill be committed.
The Honorable W. L. Baillieu moved, as an amendment, That the words “to a Select Committee” be added to the motion.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Question—That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable W. L. Baillieu moved, by leave, That the Select Committee consist of the Honorables W. Angliss, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, G. M. Davis, and the Mover; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the *Necessary Commodities Control Bill*, and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
9. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 and 6 to 11 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 25.

THURSDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the renewal of a certain Vicualler's Licence in pursuance of a certificate granted by the Licensing Court for the Licensing District of Wedderburn*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
5. FARMERS ARMS HOTEL (MYSIA) LICENCE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to extend the Operation of and to amend the Wheat Marketing Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
7. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

- 8. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. L. Baillieu moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the private exhibition of a picture film based on the historical bushranging story "The Kelly Gang," and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
- 9. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
1. Clause 2, page 2, line 15, after "any" insert "machinery for industrial purposes."	} Agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :—after "purposes" insert "or any".
2. Clause 3, sub-clause (1), at the end of the sub-clause add "two of whom shall have had wide business experience."	
5. Clause 10, sub-clause (1), line 31, after "Gazette" insert "and in any such other way as the Governor in Council may direct."	} Disagreed with.
11. Clause 11, sub-clause (1), paragraph (a) insert the following new sub-paragraph to follow sub-paragraph(ii):— " () the original grower or producer of any agricultural product ; or "	
12. Clause 11, sub-clause (1), line 33, after "Gazette" insert "and in any such other way as the Governor in Council may direct."	} Agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :—before "agricultural" insert "prescribed".
13. Clause 19, line 10, after "Gazette" insert "and in any such other way as the Governor in Council may direct."	
14. Clause 20, line 24, after "Gazette" insert "and in any such other way as the Governor in Council may direct."	
16. Clause 33, sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause.	
18. Clause 39, line 24, after "Gazette" insert "and in any such other way as the Governor in Council may direct."	} Disagreed with.

Amendment 1—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly on amendment 1 of the Council.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, as an amendment, That the words "with the following amendment, viz. :—before 'or any' insert 'tools of trade'" be added to the motion.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly on amendment 1 of the Council with the following amendment, viz. :—before "or any" insert "tools of trade"—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 2—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 2. Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

- The Hon. W. L. Baillieu,
- T. Beggs,
- J. D. Brown,
- F. G. Clarke,
- W. L. R. Clarke,
- A. Hicks,
- J. P. Jones,
- D. L. McNamara,
- J. McWhae,
- A. Robinson.

Tellers.

- The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
- E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 15.

- The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
- A. A. Austin,
- W. J. Beckett,
- A. Bell,
- E. J. Crooke,
- G. M. Davis,
- J. H. Disney,
- W. H. Edgar,
- W. Kendell,
- J. K. Merritt,
- T. H. Payne,
- H. F. Richardson,
- Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

- The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
- W. Angliss.

And so it passed in the negative—Amendment 2 insisted on.

Amendment 5, after debate, not insisted on.

Amendment 11—Amendment of the Assembly on this amendment of the Council agreed to.

Amendments 12 to 14 not insisted on.

Amendment 16, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 18 not insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, insist on two of the said amendments, have agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 11, and have agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 2 with an amendment, and desiring the concurrence of the Assembly therein.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to the Training Qualifications and Registration of Nurses and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
11. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
12. HEALTH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson and after debate, further adjourned until to-morrow.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
14. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave; That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 5 to 13 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
16. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Fridays be rescinded with respect to the meeting of the Council to-morrow and that the Council meet to-morrow at two o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 26.

FRIDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to make further provision for the Settlement of Discharged Soldiers on the Land and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Water Act* 1915, the Waterworks District of the Dandenong Waterworks Trust shall, on and after the first day of January, 1920, be placed under the jurisdiction and control of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission,” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
5. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, and to Private Members' Business taking precedence of Government Business on Wednesdays be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business, and the Council shall meet on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at Two o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. HEALTH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the *Necessary Commodities Control Bill* and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the further amendment of the Council to insert certain words in clause 2 of such Bill but have made a transposition of the said words, and insist on disagreeing with the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the *Crimes (Acts of Indecency) Bill* and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same with amendments and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.
- 8A. CRIMES (ACTS OF INDECENCY) BILL.—The said amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. Clause 2, line 11, after “Any” insert “male”.
 2. Clause 2, page 2, lines 7-8, omit “to imprisonment for a term of not more than three years” and insert “for a first offence to imprisonment for a term of not more than two years and for a second or any subsequent offence to imprisonment for a term of not more than three years”.
 3. Clause 2, page 2, sub-section (3), omit this sub-section and insert the following sub-section :—
“(3) No prosecution for any offence included in this section shall be commenced without the sanction of a law officer.”
 4. Clause 4, line 24, omit “fourteen” and insert “sixteen”.
- Amendments 1 to 3 agreed to.
Amendment 4, after debate, agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Assembly.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
10. LAND TAX BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 6.

12. **JURIES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
13. **COUNTY COURT BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
14. **COMPANIES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 7 to 16 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 26.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if it is the intention of the Government, in the interests of law and order, to offer a reward for the capture and conviction of the persons who motored to Maroonà and committed an outrage upon the person of Mr. J. K. McDougall.
2. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will inform the House—the name, locality, area, and unimproved value (as assessed for State land tax purposes) of each estate of over £5,000 value purchased by the Government for soldier settlement.
3. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) Is it a fact that South Africa is prepared to purchase a large quantity of Victorian wheat at 8s. 1½d. per bushel.
 - (b) Is it a fact that the Victorian Wheat Commission propose to supply the grain merchants and millers of New South Wales with Victorian wheat at 5s. 6d. per bushel.
 - (c) Is the Government aware that the price to be charged to Victorian wheat growers is at least 6s. per bushel for wheat for seed purposes.

*Government Business.***ORDERS OF THE DAY:—**

1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
2. LICENSING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
6. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
9. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
10. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
11. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
12. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
13. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
15. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
16. FARMERS ARMS HOTEL (MYSIA) LICENCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
17. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.

18. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
19. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a maker of umbrellas”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
- (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. A. Robinson).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 16th December.

BRANDS BILL—At half-past Two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

Horse Breeding Bill—[17]. Amendments to be proposed by Mr. McWhae. (To Members of Council only.)

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Bill—[46]. (To Members of Council only.)

Crimes (Acts of Indecency) Bill—[39]. Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Land Tax Bill—[94]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 67.

NOTE.—MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. A. AUSTIN : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if State Labour Members in Victoria in regard to the cruel treatment received by Mr. Laird Smith at the hands of Labour supporters in Tasmania have shown similar hysterics to what they showed over the so-called unfair treatment of Mr. J. K. McDougall.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. A. ROBINSON : To move, That for the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Mondays at eleven o'clock, and that so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays be rescinded and that the Council meet on those days at eleven o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LICENSING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
4. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
6. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
7. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
9. FARMERS ARMS HOTEL (MYSIA) LICENCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
10. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
11. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
12. INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
13. SEED ADVANCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
15. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
16. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
17. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
18. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

19. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD**—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(*Hon. A. Robinson.*)
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
- (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people.

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2. **METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY**—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place ; three to be the quorum—(*Hon. J. D. Brown*)—*Resumption of debate*—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara.*)

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 17th December.

BRANDS BILL—At Seven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27.
Seed Advances Bill—[110]. (To Members of Council only.)
Income Tax Bill—[95]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 69.
Thirty-third Annual Report of Trade Unions, for the year 1918. No. 30.

NOTE.—MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT TWO O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. G. L. Goudie).
5. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
6. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
7. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
8. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
9. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
10. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
11. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
12. INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
13. SEED ADVANCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
15. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
16. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
17. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
18. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
19. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
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General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. A. Robinson).
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3. COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT.—*The question is, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—*

- (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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R. W. V. McCALL,
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WALTER MANIFOLD,
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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

* Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.

Health Bill—[30]. Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. H. F. Richardson. (To Members of Council only.)

Electricity Supply Loan Bill—[111]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 70.

Income Tax Bill—[36].

Factories and Shops Bill (No. 2)—[14].

NOTE.—MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT HALF-PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1919.

Question.

- *1. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government will early next session introduce legislation to restrict the sale of fire-arms, particularly to youths.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- *1. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
- 2. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. W. Kendell).
- 3. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 4. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. G. L. Goudie).
- 5. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
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- 7. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- 8. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 9. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- 10. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- 11. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 12. INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 13. SEED ADVANCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- *14. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION BILL.—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- *15. PRIMARY PRODUCTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 16. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
- 17. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 18. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 19. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
- 20. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
- 21. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
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* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

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ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

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STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Croke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

Primary Products Advances Bill—[101]. (To Members of Council only.)

Agricultural Education Bill—[79]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Loans (Commonwealth) Bill—[106].

Report from the Committee of Public Accounts.—D.—No. 1.

Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines for the year 1918-19. No. 26.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Report under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates:—
 - Gowangardie, near Dookie.
 - Miga Lake, near Goroke.
 - Education Act 1915—Addition to Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.
 - Friendly Societies—Forty-first Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1918, with Appendices.
3. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly returning this Bill having been read, the amendments referred to therein were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

<p>1. Clause 2, page 2, line 15, after "any" insert "machinery for industrial purposes."</p>	}	<p>Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment, viz.:— after "purposes" insert "or any." Amendment of the Assembly agreed to by the Council with the following amendment, viz.:—before "or any" insert "tools of trade."</p>	}	<p>Amendment to insert "tools of trade" agreed to by the Assembly but words transposed to follow "or any."</p>
<p>2. Clause 3, sub-clause (1), at the end of the sub-clause add "two of whom shall have had wide business experience."</p>	}	<p>Disagreed with by Assembly—Insisted on by Council.</p>	}	<p>Disagreement insisted on by Assembly.</p>
<p>16. Clause 33, sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause.</p>	}		}	

Amendment 1—Transposition by the Assembly of the words inserted by the Council in the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 2 agreed to.

Amendment 2—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved. That the Council do not now insist on amendment 2.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. W. L. Baillieu,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
J. D. Brown,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. L. Kiernan,
J. McWhae,
A. Robinson.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Hicks,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
J. G. Aikman,
W. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
W. P. Crockett,
E. J. Crooke,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
W. Kendell,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne.

Tellers.

The Hon. G. L. Goudie,
Sir Henry Weedon.

And so it passed in the negative—Amendment 2 still insisted on.
Amendment 16, after debate, still insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the transposition by the Assembly of the words inserted by the Council in the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 2, and still insist on the amendments made by the Council with which the Assembly insist on disagreeing.

4. LICENSING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
Debate on the main question continued.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to enable Seed and Fodder to be advanced on certain Terms to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
6. SEED ADVANCES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a 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 twenty and to amend and continue the Income Tax Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
8. INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 19 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That for the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Mondays at eleven o'clock, and that so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays be rescinded and that the Council meet on those days at eleven o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for the Purposes of a Scheme prepared pursuant to Section Ten of the 'Electricity Commissioners Act 1918' and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money for the Purposes of such Scheme*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
4. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the Notice of Motion, General Business.
6. COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT.—The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
 - (c) The Senate to be abolished and the House of Representatives to consist of 100 members—each electorate to have as near as possible an equal number of electors.
 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people
 Debate ensued.
The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
7. PAPERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

High Prices Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 4—Meat.
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 :—

Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust—Twelfth Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1919.
Indeterminate Sentences Board—Annual Report for the year 1918-19.
8. LICENSING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3 and 9.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz. :—

Crimes (Acts of Indecency) Bill.
Essendon Land Bill.
Local Government (Influenza Expenditure) Bill.
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill.
Surplus Revenue Bill.

10. BRANDS BILL.—The Honorable W. L. Baillieu brought up the Report from the Select Committee on this Bill and moved, That the Report be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Brands Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 9.
12. FARMERS ARMS HOTEL (MYSIA) LICENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
The Honorable J. McWhae moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative,
The Honorable J. McWhae moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
14. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 4 to 8, 10 to 20 inclusive, and *Electricity Supply Loan Bill—Second Reading*, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
16. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That so much of the Sessional Orders as relates to the hour appointed for the meeting of the Council on Thursdays be rescinded with respect to the meeting of the Council to-morrow and that the Council meet to-morrow at half-past one o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Agricultural Education*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
5. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable A. Robinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. Kendell, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the *County Court Bill* without amendment.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the making of Advances to Companies for the purposes of Undertakings for dealing with certain Primary Products*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
8. PRIMARY PRODUCTS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the *Necessary Commodities Control Bill*, and acquainting the Council that they do not now insist on disagreeing with amendment No. 2 in sub-section (1) of clause 3 but have agreed to the same with an amendment, and still insist on disagreeing with amendment No. 16 in sub-section (2) of clause 33, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
10. LICENSING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
11. HEALTH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 20,
Primary Products Bill—Second reading,
Necessary Commodities Control Bill—Consideration of Message from Assembly,
and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council

No. 30.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in the *Licensing Bill*.
3. PAPERS.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1918-19.
High Prices Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on High Prices—No. 5—General.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Closer Settlement Act 1915 and Discharged Soldiers' Settlement Act 1917—Report of the Closer Settlement Board for the year 1918-19.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
5. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, and after debate, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

6. NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly returning this Bill having been read, the amendments referred to therein were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

	How dealt with.	
2. Clause 3, sub-clause (1), at the end of the sub-clause add "two of whom shall have had wide business experience."	Disagreed with by Assembly—Insisted on by Council.	Disagreement not now insisted on by Assembly, but amendment agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit "two" and insert "one".
	Disagreement insisted on by Assembly—Amendment still insisted on by Council.	
16. Clause 33, sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause.	Disagreed with by Assembly—Insisted on by Council.	Disagreement still insisted on by Assembly.
	Disagreement insisted on by Assembly—Amendment still insisted on by Council.	

Amendment 2—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, and after debate, the Council agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on this amendment of the Council.

Amendment 16—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the Council do not now insist on amendment 16.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
J. P. Jones,
J. McWhae,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
J. D. Brown,
E. J. Croke,
G. M. Davis,
W. Kendall,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
A. Bell.

And so it passed in the negative—Amendment 16 still insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendment made by the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 3, and still insist on the amendment of the Council in clause 33 with which the Assembly still insist on disagreeing.

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

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, viz.:—

County Court Bill.

Farmers Arms Hotel (Mysia) Licence Bill.

Licensing Bill.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 22, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Monday next.

And then the Council, at thirty-one minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Monday next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

MONDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1919.

Question.

*1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—

- (a) Is it the intention of the Government to carry out the following urgent recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Shortage and Use of Railway Trucks, viz. :—
- (i) That the Tottenham gravitation yards be immediately completed.
 - (ii) That Parliament should not prorogue without sanctioning the expenditure of £75,000 and a further sum sufficient to enable 100 sheep trucks to be built.
 - (iii) That the Minister of Railways should impress on the Minister of Railways, New South Wales, the urgency of additional traffic facilities at Albury railway yards.
- (b) Is the Government aware that two years ago the Committee drew attention to the need for better outdoor supervision to remedy deficiencies in handling traffic but the suggestion was ignored.
- (c) Does not the Government consider that the Report of the Committee calls for immediate action.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. G. L. Goudie).
2. WHEAT MARKETING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
3. HEALTH BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett).
5. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
6. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
8. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
9. MIDWIVES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
10. INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
11. SEED ADVANCES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
12. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION BILL.—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
13. PRIMARY PRODUCTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
14. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
15. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
16. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
17. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
18. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
19. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
20. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a maker of umbrellas”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. A. Robinson).
2. METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY—*The question is*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause of a large quantity of organic and inorganic matter being found in the water delivered to the ratepayers of the Metropolis by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, such Committee to consist of the Honorables J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, A. Hicks, J. P. Jones, W. Kendell, T. H. Payne, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to move from place to place; three to be the quorum—(Hon. J. D. Brown)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. L. McNamara).
3. COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—
 - (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
 - (b) The High Court to be the final court of appeal in any Australian cause.
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 - (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
 - (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. J. P. Jones).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. A. Adamson, W. L. Baillieu, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, J. D. Brown, J. P. Jones, and T. H. Payne.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

* Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendell.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, and A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH DECEMBER, 1919.

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

Health Bill—[30]. New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. E. L. Kiernan. (To Members of Council only.)

Land Bill—[28].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1919.

Question.

*1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—

- (a) Is it the intention of the Government to carry out the following urgent recommendations contained in the Progress Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Shortage and Use of Railway Trucks, viz. :—
 - (i) That the Tottenham gravitation yards be immediately completed.
 - (ii) That Parliament should not prorogue without sanctioning the expenditure of £75,000 and a further sum sufficient to enable 100 sheep trucks to be built.
 - (iii) That the Minister of Railways should impress on the Minister of Railways, New South Wales, the urgency of additional traffic facilities at Albury railway yards.
- (b) Is the Government aware that two years ago the Committee drew attention to the need for better outdoor supervision to remedy deficiencies in handling traffic but the suggestion was ignored.
- (c) Does not the Government consider that the Report of the Committee calls for immediate action.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD—Message from the Legislative Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument”—To be taken into consideration—(Hon. A. Robinson.)
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3. METROPOLITAN DRAINAGE AND STREAMS BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
- *4. MUNICIPAL LOANS (COMMONWEALTH) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
5. COMPANIES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—To be further considered in Committee.
6. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION BILL.—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
8. TRUSTS BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.
9. CRIMES BILL—(Hon. A. Robinson)—Second reading.
10. MASSEURS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. F. G. Clarke)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RETURNED SOLDIERS ON CROWN LANDS—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Government should introduce an amendment of the Land Acts with the object of dealing more liberally with returned soldiers who have settled on unimproved Crown lands—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. A. Robinson).
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3. COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT—*The question is*, That in the opinion of this House the Commonwealth Constitution should be amended to provide full sovereign powers for the good government of the people. The amended Constitution to also include—

- (a) Provision for the initiative referendum whereby the electors may initiate or recall legislation. No referendum to be put to the people within six months (before or after) of a general election.
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- (d) Adult suffrage to be made part of the Constitution.
- (e) The Commonwealth Parliament to be vested with authority to create any number of Provinces as may be necessary for the good local government of the people—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. J. P. Jones).

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WALTER MANIFOLD,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1919.

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ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables Sir Henry Weedon, A. E. Chandler, A. Bell, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1919).—The Honorables A. Hicks and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, A. Robinson, A. O. Sachse, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, *F. G. Clarke, W. H. Edgar, and H. F. Richardson.

* Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, W. A. Adamson, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, and W. L. R. Clarke.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables J. G. Aikman, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, G. M. Davis, and W. Kendall.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1919).—The Honorables the President, A. E. Chandler, J. H. Disney, G. L. Goudie, A. Hicks, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, J. McWhae, Sir Henry Weedon, and E. J. White.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 31.

MONDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
Ordered—That, later this day, the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2, 9, and a proposed new clause.
3. **WHEAT MARKETING BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
4. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
5. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, and 6 be postponed until after No. 10.
7. **LAND TAX BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly, with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
8. **RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BILL (No. 2).**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

9. **MIDWIVES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
10. **INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT AND RATES) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
11. **HEALTH BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 1, 2, 4, 36, 131, 202, 203, and 368.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown, having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
12. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Special Loans by the Treasurer of Victoria to Municipalities out of Moneys advanced by the Commonwealth of Australia*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
13. **MUNICIPAL LOANS (COMMONWEALTH) BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
14. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and still insisted on by the Council in clause 33 of the *Necessary Commodities Control Bill*, but have now agreed to the said amendment.
15. **HORSE BREEDING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
16. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in the *Midwives Bill*.
17. **DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2, 9, and a proposed new clause.
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 6 be postponed until later this day.

19. SEED ADVANCES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
20. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown, having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
21. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—
Clause 2, page 3, lines 7-12, omit “and may upon such terms and conditions as he thinks fit provide a maintenance grant for any nominated persons not exceeding Fifty pounds per annum during such persons’ course of study at the University”,
and asked leave to sit again.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Report was adopted.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolution.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.
22. PRIMARY PRODUCTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
23. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6. 14 to 20 inclusive, and *Municipal Loans (Commonwealth) Bill*—*Second reading*, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- And then the Council, at thirty minutes past ten o’clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1919.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Reports under section 25, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estates :—
Prairie Park, near Mitiamo.
Red Cliffs and Mildura Lands.
Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1918.
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz. :—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person employed as a player of any musical instrument, having been read—
The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

4. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL WAGES BOARD.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly desiring concurrence in the following resolution, viz.:—“That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in the trade of a maker of umbrellas,” having been read—

The Honorable A. Robinson moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 5.

6. **MUNICIPAL LOANS (COMMONWEALTH) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. D. Brown perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

7. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in the *Discharged Soldiers Settlement Bill*.

8. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in the *Horse Breeding Bill*.

9. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the *Health Bill*, and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have disagreed with one, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

- 9A. **HEALTH BILL.**—The said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the
Legislative Assembly.

3. Clause 8, lines 25–8, omit—

“and

- (iii) one member appointed as representing municipalities other than metropolitan municipalities”,

and insert—

- “(iii) one member appointed as representing cities towns and boroughs other than metropolitan municipalities;

- (iv) one member appointed as representing shires other than metropolitan municipalities; and

- (v) one member who shall be a civil engineer not in the employment of the Government or any municipality.”

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—Omit—

“and

- (v) one member who shall be a civil engineer not in the employment of the Government or any municipality.”

21. Clause 221, sub-clause (2), at the end of the sub-clause add “unless preceded by the word ‘Australian.’”

Disagreed with.

22. Clause 246, page 116, line 21, after “alcohol” insert “as at present prescribed.”

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—After “prescribed” add “by or under this or any other Act.”

23. “ “ line 25, after “Committee” insert “after hearing the views of representatives of the parties interested.”

Agreed to with the following amendment, viz.:—After “interested” add “or giving them an opportunity of being heard.”

25. “ “ line 28, after “advisable” insert “and after hearing the views of such representatives as aforesaid.”

Agreed to with the following amendment viz.:—After “aforesaid” add “or giving them an opportunity of being heard.”

Amendment 3—Amendment of the Assembly on this amendment of the Council, after debate, agreed to.

18. **NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable W. A. Adamson moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day six months” added after the word “time.”
Question—That the word “now” proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Debate on the main question continued.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
19. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
20. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.
On the motion of the Honorable A. Robinson the Council adopted the report from the Committee of the whole on the Bill.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time later this day.
21. **NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 15.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill:—
Clause 15, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-clause:—
“(6) Any additional cost imposed upon the managers of any hospital in carrying out the provisions of this Act shall be recouped to them out of moneys provided by Parliament for the purpose,”
and asked leave to sit again.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Report was adopted.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolution.
Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.
22. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock—

WEDNESDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1919.

23. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
24. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time.
The President said—Before putting the motion I wish to make a statement to the House regarding this Bill. I think it is making a perfect mockery of the Council to send up a Bill such as the Factories and Shops Bill at this hour, on the last night of the Session. It is reducing legislation to a farce for the House to even attempt to look at a Bill like this. We know from past experience that there is generally in a Shops and Factories Bill a great deal of highly contentious matter. There has not been time to print the Bill as it has been sent up to us. It has been cut about in a good many ways since it was presented to another place, and it is utterly impossible that the unofficial Leader of the House could have had time to look at it properly, or to assure the House that it is all right. It is high time that the Council put its foot down on the practice of sending up to us measures of this class in this fashion. I see that the Bill was read a first time in another place on the 12th November. It is sent up to us at five minutes to One o'clock on the last night of the Session. It is an outrage on the Council.
On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill was ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

25. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable J. G. Aikman moved, as an amendment, That the words “now read a second time” be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “laid aside.”
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Debate on the main question continued.
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
26. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Public Service Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
27. **PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable F. G. Clarke, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
28. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. D. Brown having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
29. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the *Rating on Unimproved Values Bill* without amendment.
30. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive, and *Nurses Registration Bill—To be further considered in Committee*, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 13th January next.
31. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, by leave, That the House at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 13th January next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable F. G. Clarke moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty-three minutes past three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday, the 13th January next.

R. W. V. McCALL,
 Clerk of the Legislative Council.



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On the 30th December, 1919—

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- Electricity Supply Loan.
- Horse Breeding.
- Income Tax (Amendment and Rates).
- Land Tax.
- Midwives.
- Necessary Commodities Control.
- Primary Products Advances.
- Public Works Loan Application.
- Railways Classification (No. 2).
- Seed Advances.
- Wheat Marketing.

On the 6th January, 1920—

- Agricultural Education.
- Appropriation.
- Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915 Amendment (No. 2).
- Factories and Shops.
- Health.
- Municipal Loans (Commonwealth).
- Public Service.
- Rating on Unimproved Values.



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir William Hill Irvine, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ; Lieutenant-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 Tuesday, the thirteenth day of January, 1920 :
Now I, the Lieutenant-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 seventeenth day of February, 1920.

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

(L.S.)

W. H. IRVINE.

By His Excellency's Command,

H. S. W. LAWSON.

GOD SAVE THE KING!



SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS
(JOINT).

APPOINTED (SEE ACT No. 2717) 8TH JULY, 1919.

The Hon. A. Hicks

| The Hon. H. F. Richardson.

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1919.

No. 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 8th July, 1919.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson W. L. Baillieu T. Beggs F. W. Brawn	The Hon. J. D. Brown J. P. Jones T. H. Payne.
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No. 2.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

Appointed 8th July, 1919.

The Hon. Sir Henry Weedon A. E. Chandler A. Bell G. L. Goudie	The Hon. A. Hicks E. L. Kiernan J. Sternberg.
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No. 3.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. the President W. L. Baillieu J. D. Brown F. G. Clarke E. J. Crooke	The Hon. J. P. Jones T. H. Payne A. Robinson A. O. Sachse J. Sternberg.
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No. 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. the President A. A. Austin *F. G. Clarke	The Hon. W. H. Edgar H. F. Richardson.
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No. 5.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. the President W. A. Adamson T. Beggs	The Hon. F. W. Brawn W. L. R. Clarke.
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No. 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman W. J. Beckett A. Bell	The Hon. G. M. Davis W. Kendall.
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No. 7.—PRINTING.

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. the President A. E. Chandler J. H. Disney G. L. Goudie A. Hicks	The Hon. E. L. Kiernan D. L. McNamara J. McWhae Sir Henry Weedon E. J. White.
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No. 8.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

Appointed 9th July, 1919.

The Hon. W. L. Baillieu J. D. Brown F. G. Clarke	The Hon. E. J. Crooke J. P. Jones A. Robinson.
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No. 9.—BRANDS BILL.

Appointed 10th December, 1919.

The Hon. W. Angliss A. A. Austin W. L. Baillieu W. J. Beckett	The Hon. T. Beggs F. G. Clarke E. J. Crooke G. M. Davis.
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* Appointed 19th November, 1919, in place of Hon. R. B. Rees, resigned.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1919.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1919.

No. 1.—RAILWAYS (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—Clause 2—

2. (1) In section sixty-six of the Principal Act as amended by sub-section (2) of section two of the *Railways Act* 1915 (No. 2) for the words "not exceeding Two thousand five hundred pounds" there shall be substituted the words "not exceeding Five thousand pounds."

(2) This section shall not apply except in the case of a chairman appointed after the coming into operation of this Act.

—(Hon. J. McWhae.

Motion made and question put—That clause 2 stand part of the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
J. G. Aikman,
W. L. Baillieu,
A. Bell,
J. D. Brown,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
A. Hicks,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
G. M. Davis.

Noes, 5.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1919.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

No. 1.—DIVORCE (INSANITY) BILL.—Clause 3—

3. (1) At the end of paragraph (e) of section one hundred and twenty-two of the Principal Act after the words "repeated act of adultery" there shall be inserted the following paragraph:—

"(f) On the ground that the respondent is a lunatic or person of unsound mind and has (whether before or after the commencement of this Act) been received into and detained in any hospital for the insane or received into and detained in two or more of such hospitals for a period or periods not less in the aggregate than five years within six years immediately preceding the filing of the petition and is unlikely to recover from the lunacy or unsoundness of mind."

(2) In the said section one hundred and twenty-two after the words "wrong complained of" there shall be inserted the words "or (as the case may be) the lunacy or unsoundness of mind of the respondent."
—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "five" in the sixth line be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten."—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu).

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

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
A. A. Austin,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
J. McWhae.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. F. Richardson.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
T. H. Payne,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Hicks,
Sir Henry Weedon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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SESSION 1919.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1919.

No. 1.—NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—Clause 3, sub-clause (1), *as amended*—

3. (1) For the purposes of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint a Commission (to be called the "Fair Profits Commission") consisting of three persons two of whom shall have had wide business experience.

—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the sub-clause as amended :—

"one of whom shall be representative of the industrial organizations."—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
J. D. Brown,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
W. Kendell,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
G. M. Davis.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—Clause 3, sub-clause (1), *as amended*—

3. (1) For the purposes of this Act the Governor in Council may appoint a Commission (to be called the “Fair Profits Commission”) consisting of three persons two of whom shall have had wide business experience.
—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the sub-clause as amended :—

“and the third person shall be a County Court Judge who shall be chairman.”—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

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

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. J. Beckett,
G. M. Davis,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. Angliss,
W. L. Baillieu,
A. Bell,
J. D. Brown,
F. G. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
W. Kendell,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes.

THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1919.

No. 1.—NECESSARY COMMODITIES CONTROL BILL.—Clause 42, sub-clause (1)—

42. (1) This Act shall continue in operation until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty and no longer.—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "December" be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word "October."—(Hon. W. L. Baillieu.)

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

Ayes, 10.

- The Hon. F. G. Clarke,
- W. L. R. Clarke,
- J. P. Jones,
- W. Kendell,
- E. L. Kiernan,
- D. L. McNamara,
- J. McWhae,
- A. Robinson.

Tellers.

- The Hon. J. H. Disney,
- A. Hicks.

Noes, 3.

- The Hon. W. L. Baillieu.

Tellers.

- The Hon. W. Angliss,
- T. Beggs.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1919.

No. 1.—LICENSING BILL.—Clause 3—

3. In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“Non-intoxicating beverage” means any beverage other than milk tea coffee cocoa and water for human consumption which is not liquor and is not mixed with liquor and which is of a non-intoxicating nature.”—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “aerated waters” be inserted after the word “cocoa.”

—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Croke,
G. M. Davis,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
T. H. Payne,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin,
W. L. Baillieu,
F. G. Clarke,
W. H. Edgar,
A. Hicks,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
J. K. Merritt,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
G. L. Goudie.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

No. 1.—LICENSING BILL.—Clause 14—

14. In section two hundred and sixty-six of the Principal Act as amended by any Act the words "without express authority from a Licensing Court for any specified occasion" are hereby repealed. —(*Hon. F. G. Clarke.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following new sub-clause be added to the clause:—" (2) Section two hundred and seventy of the Principal Act is hereby repealed."—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan.*)

Question—That the new sub-clause proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
J. P. Jones,
W. Kendell,
E. L. Kiernan.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
W. L. Bailheu,
T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
E. J. Crooke,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
A. Hicks,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
A. Robinson,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers

The Hon. A. Bell,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—LICENSING BILL.—Clause 3 (*on recommendal*)—

[Clause 3 had been amended by inserting the words "aerated waters" after the word "cocoa."]

3. In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

"Non-intoxicating beverage" means any beverage other than milk tea coffee cocoa aerated waters and water for human consumption which is not liquor and is not mixed with liquor and which is of a non-intoxicating nature."—(*Hon. F. G. Clarke.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "aerated waters" be omitted.—(*Hon. A. Robinson.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. Sternberg,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
J. P. Jones.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. A. Austin,
A. Hicks.

And so it passed in the negative.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

No. 1.—ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN BILL.—In the Schedule—

(1) For Power House at Morwell; transmission line Morwell to Melbourne; terminal station at Melbourne; sub-stations at Melbourne, including purchase of land, erection of buildings, and purchase and installation of plant and machinery for the several services £ 150,000

—(*Hon. A. Robinson.*)

Resolution proposed—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Schedule, viz. :—That the words “Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong” be inserted after the words “sub-stations at Melbourne.”

—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Question—That the proposed resolution be agreed to—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
W. Kendell,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
A. Hicks.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
A. A. Austin,
W. L. Baillieu,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
F. G. Clarke,
J. McWhae,
A. Robinson,
Sir Henry Weedon,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it passed in the negative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes.

MONDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1919.

No. 1.—DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—Proposed suggested amendment—

Resolution proposed—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they may make the following amendment in the Bill, viz :—

Add the following new clause :—

A. (1) Notwithstanding anything in the Land Acts or the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts any discharged soldier who is at the commencement of this Act or hereafter becomes the lessee of any selection purchase allotment of any Crown lands under Part I. or Part II. of the *Land Act* 1915 (not being lands acquired and taken by or for the Crown by purchase or otherwise) of an area not exceeding one thousand acres and upon which there were or are at the beginning of his occupation thereof no improvements shall—

- (a) if he has during the first six years of his lease complied with the covenants and conditions of the lease relating to occupation and the making of substantial and permanent improvements on the allotment and has paid all sums payable during the said six years in respect of the annual rent reserved; and
- (b) if he proves to the satisfaction of the Board of Land and Works (to be certified under its seal) by such evidence as the said Board requires that he has during the said six years complied with the said covenants and conditions and with all other covenants and conditions of the lease,

be entitled at any time after the expiration of the first six years of the lease and without payment of any future rent reserved under the lease to a grant in fee of the land demised; and every such grant shall be subject to such covenants conditions exceptions and reservations as the Governor in Council directs.

(2) This section shall not apply to any selection purchase lease granted more than six years before the commencement of this Act.

—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Question—That the proposed resolution be agreed to—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. J. G. Aikman,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
E. L. Kiernan,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. W. A. Adamson,
W. Angliss,
A. A. Austin,
W. L. Baillieu,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. Kendell,
J. McWhae,
A. Robinson,
Sir Henry Weedon.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Hicks,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it passed in the negative.

MEMOIRS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEG. COUNCIL, 1838, 1839.

COUNCIL
CHAMBER