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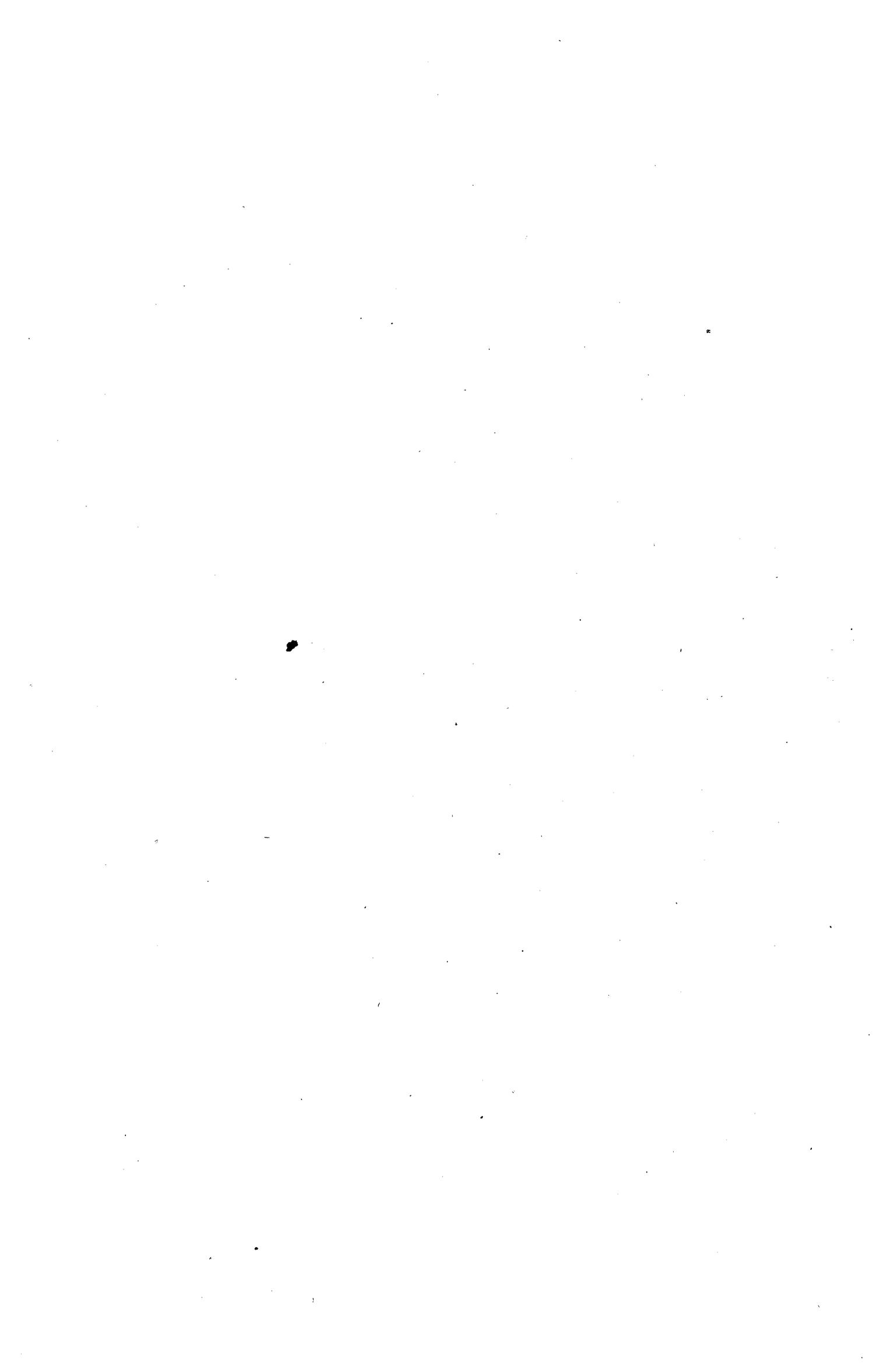
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No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH JULY, 1927.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of June, 1927, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk and is as follows :—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION.

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

I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation, fix Wednesday, the sixth day of July, 1927, as the time for the commencement and holding of the First Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of half-past Ten o'clock in the forenoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Spring-street in the City of Melbourne : And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

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

(L.S.)

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

The Honorable Mr. Justice Cussen, the Commissioner from His Excellency the Governor appointed to open the Parliament, having been introduced to the Council Chamber by the Usher, His Honour desired the Usher to request the presence of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to hear read the Letters Patent for the commencement and holding of this present Session of the Parliament.

The Members of the Legislative Assembly having presented themselves, His Honour Mr. Justice Cussen said :—

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

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

Then the said Letters Patent were read by the Clerk as follows, viz. :—

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

WHEREAS by Proclamation made the twenty-eighth day of June by His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honorable ARTHUR HERBERT TENNYSON, BARON SOMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, Wednesday, the sixth day of July, was fixed as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, at half-past Ten of the clock in the forenoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said ARTHUR HERBERT TENNYSON, BARON SOMERS, cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: Now KNOW YE THAT WE, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved The Honorable SIR LEO FINN BERNARD CUSSEN, Knight, Judge of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto you the said LEO FINN BERNARD CUSSEN full power in Our name to begin and hold the said Session of Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said ARTHUR HERBERT TENNYSON, BARON SOMERS, shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it may concern to meet our said Parliament, and to the said LEO FINN BERNARD CUSSEN that he diligently attend in the premises and form aforesaid. In testimony whereof We have caused the Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

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

(L.S.)

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN,

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29, page 187, this second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

W. P. HEATHERSHAW, Under-Secretary.

Then the Honorable Mr. Justice Cussen said—

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

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

The Members of the Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

The Commissioner withdrew.

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

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President Sir Frank Clarke, R. H. S. Abbott, W. Angliss, E. G. Bath, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, A. Bell, F. W. Brawn, A. E. Chandler, H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, G. M. Davis, J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, Dr. J. R. Harris, H. Hitchcock, J. P. Jones, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, D. L. McNamara, H. F. Richardson, H. H. Smith, J. Sternberg, G. J. Tuckett, W. Tyner, E. J. White, R. Williams, and A. M. Zwar 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, 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 One hundred and ninety 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 allotment 27, section 3, at Elwood, being Nos. 111 and 113 Mitford-street, Elwood.*

“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 £190.

“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.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT, 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 fifty-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 shire of Strathfieldsaye, and are known as 'Hooligan' and 'Mandurang.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £152.

"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. H. S. ABBOTT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM CHARLES ANGLISS, 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 Five hundred and sixty 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 Melbourne and are known as part of allotment 6, section 24, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, volume 3701, folio 740157.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £560.

"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."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, EDWIN GEORGE BATH, 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 Kara Kara and St. Arnaud, and are known as 'Pleasant-side' Estate, and houses and land, St. Arnaud.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kara Kara are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £578, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Arnaud 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."

"EDWIN G. BATH."

"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 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 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.

"W. J. BECKETT."

"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 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-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, 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 One hundred and thirty-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 city of Ballarat and are known as 101 Wendouree-parade, and 210 and 212 Skipton-street.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £134.

“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, FREDERICK WILLIAM BRAUN*, 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 Ballarat, and are known as 213 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 £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.

“F. W. BRAUN.”

“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 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 Ferntree Gully, and are known as ‘Boronia,’ corner of Boronia and Forest roads, Boronia, being portion of Crown lot 69, parish of Scoresby.

“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 £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.

“A. E. CHANDLER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HENRY ISAAC COHEN*, 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-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 districts of Melbourne and Northcote, and are known as ‘Keonbrook,’ 196 Vale-street, East Melbourne, and lots 11 and 12, part A, of Thornbury Park Estate.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as is situate in the municipal district of Melbourne is rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £200, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Northcote are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £24.

“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 ISAAC COHEN.”

"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 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-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 273 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."

"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 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 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 Sale, and are known as Mathieson and Davis' offices, saleyards, livery stable, and tobacconist shop in the town of Sale; also 10 acres and 1 rood in the town of Sale.

"And I further declare 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 £105.

"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 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 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 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 Ninety 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 182, 184 St. Kilda-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 £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.

"WILLIAM HASLAM 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 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-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 Caulfield, and are known as 49 Elizabeth-street, 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 £58.

"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, JOHN RICHARDS HARRIS, 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 shire of Rutherglen, and are known as 'Thrana' vineyard, and land, parish of Carlyle, shire of Rutherglen, and a residence situated in High-street, Rutherglen.*

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of shire of Rutherglen are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £320.

"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 R. HARRIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HOWARD HITCHCOCK, 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 Newtown and Chilwell, and are known as 'Como,' Skene-street, Geelong, being part of allotments 1 and 2, section 2, parish of Moorpanyal, county of Grant.*

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Newtown and Chilwell are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £365.

"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.

"HOWARD HITCHCOCK."

"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 Four 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 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 £470.

"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, HERBERT KECK, 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 forty 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 Strathfieldsaye, and are known as 'The Palms,' Retreat-road, Bendigo.*

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £240.

"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.

"HERBERT KECK."

"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 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 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 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 £70.

"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, MARTIN MCGREGOR*, 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 Narracan, and are known as allotment 97A, parish of Moe, county of Buln Buln, and occupied by me as residence.

" And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Narracan are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £130.

" 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.

" M. MCGREGOR "

" 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, 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 £57, 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 £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.

" D. L. MCNAMARA."

" 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 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 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 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 £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.

" H. F. RICHARDSON."

" In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HERBERT HENRY SMITH*, 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 Melbourne, and are known as 290-294 Lonsdale-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 £500.

" 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.

" HERBERT H. SMITH."

" 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 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 the shire of Waranga and are known as, firstly, Crown allotments 70E and 70F, parish of Moora, county of Rodney; and secondly, Crown allotment 40, in the parish of Burrumboot East, county of Rodney.

" 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 £55 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 £45.

"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."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I GEORGE JOSEPH TUCKETT, 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 Numurkah, and are known as allotments 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, part 11 of section D, parish of Yalga, containing 1,412 acres.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Numurkah are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £607.

"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. J. TUCKETT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM TYNER, 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 Caulfield, and are known as 60 Hawthorn-road, Caulfield.

"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 £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.

"WILLIAM TYNER."

"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 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 Hamilton, and are known as (1), Newlands, being allotments 1, 2 and 3, section 31, parish of Hamilton North and (2) Cyclone Paddock being allotment 58, section A, parish of Hamilton North, all in the borough of Hamilton.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £95.

"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."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ROBERT WILLIAMS, 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-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 South Melbourne, and are known as 123 Wright-street, Middle Park.

"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 £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.

"R. WILLIAMS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ALBERT MICHAEL ZWAR, 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 Beechworth, and are known as house and land in Church-street, and hall in Loch-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Beechworth 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.

" A. M. ZWAR."

4. 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 to meet for the consideration of important public business that will be submitted for your earnest attention.

The visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York to Australia in connexion with the inauguration of the meetings of the Parliament of the Commonwealth at Canberra was an event of historical importance which will ever live in the memory of Australians.

The establishment of the Seat of Government for the Commonwealth at the capital city of Australia has enabled the Parliament of Victoria to return to this building, which it occupied prior to the inauguration of Federation.

Before closing their sittings in Melbourne, the Senate and the House of Representatives unanimously passed the following resolution :—

" That the Parliament of the Commonwealth expresses to the Parliament, the Government, and the people of Victoria, its grateful thanks for their generous hospitality in placing the Parliament House of the State of Victoria at the disposal of the Parliament of the Commonwealth."

In addition, a Commonwealth Act to provide for the erection of a memorial in connexion with the occupation by the Commonwealth Parliament of the Parliament House of the State of Victoria made available a sum of £50,000 for that purpose.

My Advisers will take an early opportunity of considering what will be the best method of utilizing this money so as to commemorate appropriately the occupation of this building by the Commonwealth Parliament.

The Government, immediately on assuming office, was faced with the task of dealing with unemployment. An earnest attempt has been made to relieve the position by putting in hand a number of works of a reproductive nature in various parts of the State. Municipalities are being invited to assist the Government in providing employment, and provision will be made for payments to municipalities for that purpose on a pound for pound basis.

The Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers held last month to discuss the financial relations of the Commonwealth and the States was of great importance. Following the abolition by the Commonwealth Parliament of the *per capita* grants, certain proposals were submitted by the Prime Minister for the consideration of the States. The proposals, as amended, will form the basis of discussion at a further conference to be held in Sydney this month. Whatever agreement is arrived at will be placed before you for your consideration.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

A measure to make preliminary provision for the services of the current financial year will be laid before you almost immediately ; and Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1926-27 will be submitted in due course.

The Government views with deep concern the present financial position of the State. For the past two years the expenditure has greatly exceeded the revenue, and My Advisers feel that this drift must be arrested. The methods to be adopted in order to place the finances of the State on a satisfactory basis are receiving their very close attention.

The Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the current financial year, which are now in course of preparation, will be submitted for your consideration at the earliest practicable moment.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Government recognizes that there are many matters of supreme importance affecting the future welfare of the State awaiting attention.

Legislation will be introduced for the establishment of a Rural Bank to assist primary producers.

A Bill will be placed before you at an early date to provide for the construction of a bridge over the River Yarra at Spencer-street.

A measure will be introduced for the establishment of a Greater Melbourne Council, which will absorb the City of Melbourne, as well as other municipalities and certain public Authorities within the metropolis.

Proposals for giving effect to the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Outer Ports will be submitted for your consideration.

In accordance with what My Advisers consider was the policy approved by the country at the last general elections, a measure to revise the Electoral Districts Act passed last session will be brought forward at the earliest practicable stage during the present Parliament.

In order to improve and stabilize conditions in the dairying industry, the work of Herd Testing Associations will be extended and consideration given to the question of certifying and branding cows which are submitted to Herd Testing Associations for testing. My Advisers will

institute a scheme whereby pedigree cattle will be acquired by the Department of Agriculture and made available to dairy farmers on reasonable terms in order to enable them to improve their herds.

The Government realizes the urgent necessity for a pure milk supply, and believes that the dairy farmer should obtain an adequate return for the products of his farm. Bills will be introduced to promote these objects.

It is proposed to extend the operation of the Cattle Compensation Acts so as to include swine.

To give effect to proposals to secure law reform, Bills to amend the law relating to county courts, justices, and marriage will be laid before you; also a Bill to make further provision for legal aid to poor persons.

In furtherance of the principle of free education, the Government has abolished the payment of fees by students at Junior Technical Schools; and, to promote attendance of students at Senior Technical Schools, a scheme of scholarships will be inaugurated open to all students attending approved Junior Technical Schools.

Amongst the many questions receiving the consideration of My Advisers are the following:—Discharged soldiers' settlement, housing, hospital accommodation, provision for mental defectives, labour bureaux, rates of interest charged by money-lenders, and the further development of the State's coal deposits.

The Government has re-introduced the practice of issuing return tickets on the railways and taken action to retain the eleven-ton trucks.

My Advisers have instructed all Public Departments to promote the use of Australian-made goods.

In addition to other measures, Bills dealing with the following subjects will be submitted to you:—

Highways and Vehicles;
 Motor Omnibuses;
 Health;
 Absentee Voting;
 Factories and Shops;
 Real Estate and Business Agents;
 Forests;
 Local Government;
 Weights and Measures;
 Apprenticeship;
 Public Service Board;
 Footscray New Road.

I trust that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, your deliberations will conduce to the welfare of the people and the prosperity of the State.

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.

5. The President resumed the Chair.

6. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill to amend, Section Seven of the Architects Registration Act 1922 was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

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

To the Honorable Sir Francis Grenville Clarke, K.B.E., 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 Parliament House, 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 second day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and in the eighteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN.

Entered on record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
 Page 189, this second day of July, One thousand nine
 hundred and twenty-seven.

W. P. HEATHERSHAW,
 Under-Secretary.

- 8. CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS RAE GILCHRIST, ESQUIRE.—The President said :—I have to announce to the Council that, by virtue of the powers conferred upon me by *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I have nominated Thomas Rae Gilchrist, Esq., previously Clerk-Assistant of the Legislative Assembly, for the office of Clerk of the Legislative Council, and His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to confirm that nomination.
- 9. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1925–26.
 - Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1925–26.
 - Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1925.
 - Mines Department—Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1926.
 - Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Outer Ports—Fifth Progress Report dealing with the Gippsland Lakes Entrance and Gippsland's Development as related to its Outer Ports, together with Maps and Appendices.
 - Public Service—Report of J. Wallace Ross, Esq., A.I.C.A., A.A.I.S., A.C.A.A., who was appointed a Board of Inquiry to inquire into the Methods in the Public Service.
 - Sanitation—Report of the Royal Commission on Sanitation, 1926, together with Appendices.

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—

- Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 30th September, 1926.
- Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—
 - For the quarter ended 31st December, 1926.
 - For the quarter ended 31st March, 1927.
- Companies Act 1915—Rule 196—Return by Prothonotary of business of the Supreme Court in connexion with the winding-up of Companies.
- Compulsory Voting (Assembly Elections) Act 1926—Regulations.
- Dried Fruits Acts—Regulation—Registration of Dried Fruit Dealers.
- Education Acts—Regulations—
 - Cookery Centers.
 - Trained Teachers' Certificate (Commercial Subjects).
- Electoral Act 1923—Joint Electoral Rolls (Commonwealth and State)—Amendment of Regulations.
- Fire Brigades Act 1915—Country Fire Brigades Board—
 - Amendment of Regulations.
 - Report for the year 1925–26, together with Statements of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.
- Forests Commission of Victoria—Seventh Annual Report, Financial Year 1925–26.
- Friendly Societies—Forty-ninth Annual Report of the Government Statist relating to the period of twelve months ended 30th June, 1926, with Appendices.
- Fruit Acts—Regulations.—Grade Standards for Bananas.
- Health Acts.—Building (Schools) Regulations, 1927.
- Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, Melbourne.
- Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1925.
- Land Act 1915—Particulars of Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.
- Land Acts—Certificates relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the—
 - Ballarat Manual Training School.
 - Lang Lang State School.
- Melbourne Sailors' Home Act 1901—Accounts and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Melbourne Sailors' Home for the year 1926.
- Mines Act 1915—List of Suspensions of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences granted during the year 1926.
- Poisons Act 1915—Articles deemed to be poisons.—Amended Second Schedule.
- Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of General Division.
- Public Service Act 1915 and Teachers Act 1925—Regulation added.
- Public Service Acts—Regulations—
 - Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XIII.
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 - Department of Chief Secretary (3 papers).
 - Department of Lands.
 - Department of Law (2 papers).
 - Department of Public Health (2 papers).
 - Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).
 - Department of Public Works (3 papers).
 - Department of Treasurer (2 papers).
 - General.

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Agriculture.
 Department of Chief Secretary (2 papers).
 Department of Law (3 papers).
 Department of Public Instruction (11 papers).
 Department of Public Works.

Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—

Department of Lands and Survey.
 Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).
 Miscellaneous.

Railways—

Determination of the Railways Classification Board dated 18th February, 1927, in regard to the Basic Wage for the year 1927, together with copy of Explanatory Memorandum of the Victorian Railways Commissioners in regard thereto.

Reports of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—

For the quarter ended 31st December, 1926.

For the quarter ended 31st March, 1927.

Thirty-seventh General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.

Superannuation Act 1925—

First Report of the State Superannuation Board for the half-year ended 30th June, 1926.

Regulations.

Supreme Court Acts—Rules of the Supreme Court.—Rules of Procedure in Civil Proceedings.

Teachers Act 1925—Regulations rescinded and Regulations substituted.

Trade Unions—Fortieth Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1925, with an Appendix.

10. 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 Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,
 The Honorable Henry Isaac Cohen,
 The Honorable William Haslam Edgar,
 The Honorable Dr. John Richards Harris,
 The Honorable John Percy Jones,
 The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne, and
 The Honorable Joseph Sternberg—

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

Given under my hand this sixth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

FRANK CLARKE,

President of the Legislative Council.

11. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees:—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Council numbered 160, I do hereby nominate—

The Honorable Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,
 The Honorable William Charles Angliss,
 The Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke, and
 The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne—

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees whenever requested to do so by the Chairman of Committees or whenever the Chairman of Committees is absent.

Given under my hand this sixth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

FRANK CLARKE,

President of the Legislative Council.

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

The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech:—

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.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen 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.

13. HOUSE COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Honorables W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar be members of the House Committee.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Honorables the President W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau be members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

15. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the following Members of this House be appointed Members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, viz. :—The Honorables Alexander Bell and Alfred Elliott Chandler.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. THE LATE H. H. NEWTON, ESQUIRE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That this House expresses its regret at the death of Hibbert Henry Newton, Clerk of the House from 1st January, 1924, to 31st December, 1926, and Clerk of the Parliaments from 28th January, 1913, to 31st December, 1926, and places on record its acknowledgment of his long and valuable services to the State and recognition of his courtesy and assistance to members of the Legislative Council.

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

Before putting this motion, I should like to add my tribute to Mr. Newton's memory. He had a long and honorable career as an officer of the Parliament of Victoria. He entered the service of the Assembly in September, 1884, and occupied the positions of Assistant Clerk of the Papers, Sergeant-at-Arms, Clerk-Assistant, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and Clerk of the Parliaments. In 1924 he became Clerk of the Legislative Council, and he held that position until a day or two before his death on the 2nd of January last. To my great regret I was absent from Australia when his end came, but I know that everything was done by the Government and by the staffs of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to do honour to his memory, and to express on behalf of members of this Chamber sincere sympathy with his widow and family in their bereavement. Mr. Newton was my personal friend. I never knew him harbour an unworthy thought. We have men in the service of Parliament who will eventually aspire to the position which Mr. Newton so long adorned, and I can offer them no better advice than to try to live up to his standard.

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

17. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—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 Three million and twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 W. H. Edgar 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. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Wednesday next at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

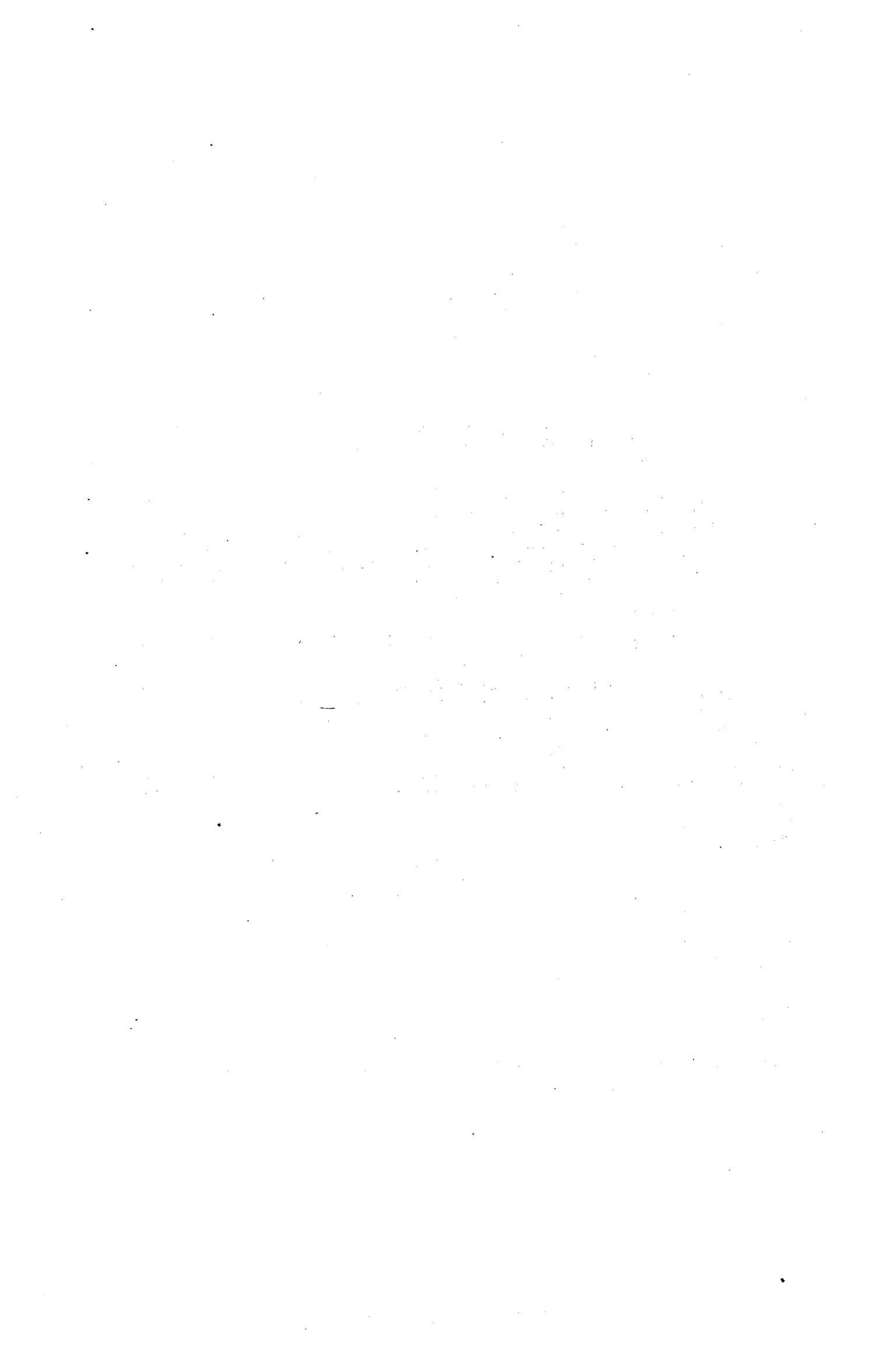
The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at half-past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH JULY, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Is it the intention of the Railways Commissioners to run Sunday trains to Geelong.
 - (b) Does the Government favour this proposal.
 - (c) Is the Government in favour of further increased pay for Sunday work on the railways.

Government Business

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES : 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 ; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock.
2. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum .
3. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams, be members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum .
4. The Hon. J. P. JONES : 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 H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson, 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.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).*
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
2820. (120 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. I. COHEN : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Thomas Henry Payne for the Session on account of urgent private business.
2. The Hon. W. ANGLISS : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke for the Session on account of urgent private business.
3. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable James Kerr Merritt for the Session on account of urgent private business.
4. The Hon. E. J. WHITE : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Marcus Saltau for the Session on account of urgent private business.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 6th July, 1927)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH JULY, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—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 sixty-five thousand and eighty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Victorian Coal Miners’ Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1926.
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—
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915—Part VIII.—
Statement of Appointment in the Department of the Legislative Council.
Statement of Appointments and Alteration of Classification in the Department of the Legislative Assembly.
Marine Acts—Amendment of Scale of Pilotage Rates.
Scaffolding Inspection Act 1922—Additional Regulations (2 papers).
5. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 ; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be taken after the hour of eleven o’clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White 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.
7. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams be members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson, 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.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until later this day.
10. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**—
 The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Thomas Henry Payne for the Session on account of urgent private business.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable W. Angliss moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke for 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 Session on account of urgent private business.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable E. J. White moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Marcus Saltau for the Session on account of urgent private business.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **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 W. H. Edgar 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.
12. **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 2nd August next.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 2nd August next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at three minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday the 2nd August next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if it is a fact that the Geelong Harbour Trust owes the Government about £170,000, and that the Government owes the Trust some £150,000 in dues ; if so, what action does the Government intend taking to balance the two accounts.
2. The Hon. W. ANGLISS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) How many sheep and lambs were slaughtered during the season 1926-27 at the Ballarat, Bendigo, and Donald Freezing Works respectively.
 - (b) How many sheep and lambs were exported during the season 1926-27 from each of such freezing works.
 - (c) What financial loss was made during the season 1926-27 by each of such freezing works.

Government Business

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).*
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 3rd August.

HOUSE COMMITTEE (JOINT)—At half-past Two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 6th July, 1927)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.
- HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).—(Appointed 13th July, 1927)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

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Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1925–26 (No. 4).

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1925–26 (No. 5).

Estimates—Supplementary Estimates, 1926–27 (B. No. 3).

Forests Commission—Report for the year 1925–26 (No. 6).

Public Service.—Report of J. Wallace Ross, Esq., A.I.C.A., A.A.I.S., A.C.A.A., who was appointed a Board of Inquiry to inquire into the Methods in the Public Service (No. 1).

Sanitation.—Report of the Royal Commission, 1926 (No. 2).

State Superannuation Board.—Report for the half-year ended 30th June, 1926 (No. 3).

Victorian Outer Ports.—Fifth Progress Report of Royal Commission—The Gippsland Lakes Entrance and Gippsland's Development as related to its Outer Ports, together with maps and appendices (No. 7).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1927.

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

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, MARCUS SALTAU, 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 thirty 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 Warrnambool, and are known as part of Farnham Estate, more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 4457, folio 891219.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of shire of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £230.

“ 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.

“ M. SALTAU.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).
4. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have 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 consisting of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Cuthbertson, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Slater, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet ; five to be the quorum.
5. POISONS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill to amend the Poisons Acts and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 16th instant.
6. SUPREME COURT (VEXATIOUS ACTIONS) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill to prevent Abuse of the Process of the Supreme Court or other Courts by the Institution of Vexatious Legal Proceedings was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 16th instant.
7. POUNDS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill to amend the Pounds Acts and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 16th instant.
8. PETROL PUMPS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill relating to Petrol Pumps was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 16th instant.

9. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Commonwealth and State Ministers.—Report of the Conference held at Parliament House, Melbourne, June, 1927, to consider (1) Financial Relations between the States and the Commonwealth ; (2) Child Endowment.
Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports—
Sixth Progress Report.—Welshpool, the port for South Gippsland, the Re-settlement of Abandoned Lands, &c. ; together with Maps.
Seventh Progress Report.—Local Harbour Boards ; their Constitution, Areas and Finance.
Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1926.

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 :—

- Censorship of Films Act 1926—Regulations.
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915—Part VIII.—Statement of Appointments in the Department of the Legislative Assembly.
Country Roads Board—Report for the year 1925–26.
Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—
Re minimum legal size for crayfish.
To permit the use of nets in Lake Colac.
To prohibit all fishing in or the taking of fish from the Lang Lang and Tarago Rivers and their tributaries from 1st May to 15th December in each year, both days inclusive.
To prohibit all fishing in or the taking of fish from the Spring Creek, at Daylesford, between the Hepburn Reservoir and Hepburn Spring Park, during the whole of the year.
To restrict the use of mesh or set nets in Western Port Bay.
Fruit Acts—Regulations—Grade Standards for Apples and Pears.
Land Act 1915—Particulars of Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.
Land Acts—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of Land for the Clear Lake State School.
Mines Act 1915—Regulations relating to Mining Leases, Tailings Licences, and Water Right Licences.
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for the year 1926, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1925–26.
Public Service Acts—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Land and Survey.
Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).

10. 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 to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 12 *ante*), having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable A. E. Chandler 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 16th instant.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday, the 16th instant.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 16th instant.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at eighteen minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 16th instant.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works :—
 - (a) Is he aware that on the 1st December, 1926, this House unanimously agreed to the following resolution—“ That, in the opinion of this House, the State Government should bring before the Premiers’ Conference the necessity for stricter inspection and better organization for the export and marketing of Australian fruit to British and foreign markets.”
 - (b) Was this resolution submitted for consideration at the Premiers’ Conference held recently at Sydney ; if so, with what result ; if not, why was the desire of this House not given effect to.
 - (c) Will the resolution be listed for consideration at the next Premiers’ Conference.
 - (d) Is the Victorian Department of Agriculture aware that some months ago 50,000 or 60,000 cases of apples were purchased in Tasmania by a Melbourne firm for shipment to the United Kingdom or other overseas countries and some to Australian States, and that about 10,000 of these cases of apples were subsequently landed in Melbourne for consumption in Victoria.
 - (e) Was an inspection made at Melbourne by the Department’s inspectors of the consignments comprising the 10,000 cases to ascertain if the fruit was of the required standard grades ; if so, what proportion of the 10,000 cases was rejected as being unsuitable for sale in Victoria.
 - (f) What quantities of apples have been imported into Victoria from Tasmania during the 1927 season, and what percentage was rejected.
 - (g) What steps are being taken to prevent low grade fruit being imported into Victoria from Tasmania on worthless certificates issued by the Tasmanian Agricultural Department.
 - (h) Why were different reports given to the Minister of Agriculture and to the Press relating to apples imported into Victoria from Tasmania.
 - (i) Will he lay on the table of the Library the file of papers relating to the inspection of all consignments of apples and pears received from Tasmania from 1st January, 1927, up to date.
2. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what amount has been paid in salaries and expenses under the Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act for the past twelve months.
3. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the Government propose to commence the construction of the Border railway, Yarrawonga to Oaklands, and what is the reason for the delay.
4. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will introduce the necessary legislation to prohibit the holding of beauty competitions, as requested by the various women’s organizations.
5. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What quantity of water will be impounded by the proposed lock or weir at Baringhup.
 - (b) What area of flats and low-lying land will be affected by the construction of the proposed weir.
 - (c) Is it a fact that if the proposed weir is constructed the town of Newstead will be in serious danger of floods.
 - (d) Will the Government appoint a Commission to inquire into the representations made by the large deputation which recently waited on the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate (Hon. A. E. Chandler).*
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.

3. POISONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
 4. SUPREME COURT (VEXATIOUS ACTIONS) BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
 5. POUNDS BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
 6. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

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- PRINTING—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.
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 Forests Commission—Report for the year 1925–26 (No. 6).
 Friendly Societies—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1925–26 (No. 9).
 Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1926 (No. 13).
 Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1925 (No. 12).
 Public Service.—Report of J. Wallace Ross, Esq., A.I.C.A., A.A.I.S., A.C.A.A., who was appointed a Board of Inquiry to inquire into the Methods in the Public Service (No. 1).
 Railways—Reports of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—
 Gormandale, Callignee, and Carrajung Districts Connecting Railway (Report No. 1).
 Mildura—Improved Station, Yard, Locomotive Facilities, &c. at (C. No. 1).
 Myrniong and Greendale Districts Connecting Railway (Report No. 2).
 Thirty-seventh General Report (No. 8).
 Sanitation.—Report of the Royal Commission, 1926 (No. 2).
 State Superannuation Board.—Report for the half-year ended 30th June, 1926 (No. 3).
 Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1926 (No. 10).
 Victorian Outer Ports.—Fifth Progress Report of Royal Commission—The Gippsland Lakes Entrance and Gippsland's Development as related to its Outer Ports, together with maps and appendices (No. 7).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **FOOTSCRAY LAND BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to revoke in part the Reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land in the City of Footscray permanently reserved as a Site for a Mechanics’ Institute and to provide for the Transfer of Portion to the Minister of Public Instruction and to declare Portion to be a Public Highway and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
3. **DONALD AND WEST CHARLTON WATERWORKS TRUSTS.**—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 Districts of the undermentioned Waterworks Trusts shall, as on and after the 1st day of July, 1927, be placed under the jurisdiction and control of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, viz.:—
Shire of Donald Waterworks Trust.
West Charlton Waterworks Trust,”
and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
4. **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That chairs be provided on the floor of the Council Chamber for His Royal Highness Prince Purachatra, Prince of Kampaeng, Bejra, brother of the Reigning King of Siam, and Minister of Railways, Communications, and Commerce in Siam, and Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Purachatra and the Princess Mayurachatra.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Their Royal Highnesses then entered the chamber and were accommodated with chairs at the right of the President.
5. **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 unsatisfactory answers given by the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the Mover’s questions on this day’s Notice Paper *re* the proposed lock or weir at Baringhup; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and negatived.
6. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk—
Education Acts—Regulation XI. (*k*)—Classification of Honors (First and Second Class)—Clauses rescinded and clauses substituted.
Explosives Act 1915—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the Working of the Act during the year 1926.
Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue Proclamation to fix a bag limit for blackfish.
Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Balance-sheet for the year 1926.
Marine Acts—Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1926.
Public Service Acts—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Treasurer.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Public Works.
Staffs, Appointments and Transfers of Teachers and Maintenance Allowances, Regulation XX.—Clause 4 (*a*) rescinded and Clause substituted.

7. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable E. J. White moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the proposed railway from Kanagulk to Edenhope; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
8. 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 to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 12 *ante*), 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.
9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will introduce the necessary legislation to prohibit the holding of beauty competitions, as requested by the various women's organizations.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What acreage is available in the Gippsland and Beech Forest districts respectively for group settlements of migrants.
 - (b) When will the Millewa and Sunset mallee lands be available for settlement.
 - (c) When will such lands be supplied with water for domestic and stock purposes.
 - (d) Is it the intention of the Government to make such mallee lands available for settlement prior to supplies of water for domestic and stock purposes being provided.
 - (e) Will the Government give early attention to the question of group settlement.
3. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) How much additional money has been spent by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission at the Eildon weir to enable the State Electricity Commission to use that storage for the production of electricity.
 - (b) Has this expenditure been debited to the State Electricity Commission or merely charged to the general cost of the water storage.
 - (c) What proportion of the interest charged on the cost of construction of the Eildon weir is to be debited to the State Electricity Commission in connexion with their use of the water for their especial purposes.
 - (d) Considering the dual purpose this storage is going to serve would the Government favorably consider the suggestion to make the Eildon weir a national work.
4. The Hon. A. BELL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay on the table of the Library all the correspondence and applications for seats, together with the names and addresses of the successful applicants, in connexion with the recent Central Australian " Reso " train trip.
5. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Have the Victorian Railways Commissioners been advised by the Crown Law Department or by legal opinion that they have power under the existing law to carry on any of their existing motor-bus services on Sundays ; if so, to what places are such services given.
 - (b) If the Commissioners have not been so advised, will the Government secure legal opinion and make the same available to this House.
 - (c) Do the Government approve of the Commissioners' policy of carrying on such motor-bus services on Sundays.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate (Hon. A. Bell).*
2. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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PRINTING—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 13th July, 1927)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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Supreme Court (Vexatious Actions) Bill—[25].

Victorian Loan Bill—[76]. (To Members of Council only.)

Pounds Bill—[33].

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Victorian Loan Bill—[76].

Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[74].

Spencer-street Bridge Bill—[54]. Amendments to be proposed by Messrs. Hogan, Argyle, and Gray. (To Members only).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill.
3. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—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.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until later this day.
5. VICTORIAN LOAN 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 W. H. Edgar 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. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until later this day.
7. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the Council Chamber for the Honorable Sir Edward Wittenoom, a Member of the Legislative Council of Western Australia.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable Sir Edward Wittenoom then entered the chamber and was accommodated with a chair at the right of the President.
8. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION 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 W. H. Edgar 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. 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 to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 12 *ante*), 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.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 two minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Have the Government considered the question of reinstating the police strikers ; if so, will he make a statement to the House with regard to the matter.
 - (b) Is it a fact that recruiting of men for the Police Force has been discontinued ; if so, will he inform the House for what reason it has been discontinued.
2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What are the names of the consulting engineers or others acting in an advisory capacity to the State Electricity Commission ; and what honoraria or salaries were paid to the same for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (b) What are the names of the officers constituting the staff of the State Electricity Commission ; and what salaries were paid to the same for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (c) How many officers and employes outside the consultants and staff received over £300, £400, and £500 respectively as salaries or wages for the same period.
 - (d) What are the names of the officers who have been travelling abroad at the expense of the Commission in search of information during the years 1926 and 1927 ; and what amount was paid in salaries and expenses to these officers during the same period.
3. The Hon. F. W. BRAUN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government have taken into consideration the representations made by a recent deputation to the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture that farmers and dairymen who suffered loss through their pigs being destroyed by direction of officers of the Department of Agriculture in connexion with the recent outbreak of swine fever should be compensated ; if so, with what result.
4. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if, in view of a proclamation gazetted on the 28th April, 1926, which prohibits the cutting, &c., of timber on all roads in the State of Victoria without the authority of the State Forests Commission, a municipal council has to obtain such authority to cut or remove any timber from a road.
5. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What tonnage was received and what tonnage was discharged during the year 1926–27 by boats on the North and South banks respectively of the River Yarra between Queen's-bridge and the site proposed for the Spencer-street bridge.
 - (b) Of the tonnage discharged by boats on the North and South banks respectively of the River Yarra, how many tons were consigned to places (i) North of the River ; and (ii) South of the River.
 - (c) Of the tonnage received by boats on the North and South banks respectively of the River Yarra, how many tons came from places (i) North of the River ; and (ii) South of the River.
6. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what amount has been spent by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission on behalf of the State Electricity Commission at the Eildon Weir in connexion with the Sugarloaf scheme of hydro-electric production.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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7. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 30th August.

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

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 31st AUGUST, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. Dr. J. R. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What was the estimated cost of construction of the Eildon Weir; what is the actual cost to date; and why has this work exceeded the estimated expenditure.
 - (b) What quantity of water did the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission contemplate impounding in the Eildon Reservoir when the work was initiated, and what quantity is now impounded there.
 - (c) Is it dangerous to impound more than 300,000 acre-feet of water in the Eildon Reservoir as constructed.
 - (d) Can the Minister assure the House that the foundations and the cement wall are sufficiently strong to enable the present wall to be raised until the reservoir is capable of impounding and containing 900,000 acre-feet of water.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
2. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
3. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES REGULATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
4. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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11. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Victorian Loan Bill.
Water Supply Loans Application Bill.
3. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Construction and Maintenance across the River Yarra Yarra of a Bridge at or near Spencer-street Melbourne and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of a certain Undertaking at Shepparton for the Supply of Electricity* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. H. Disney, 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.
5. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES REGULATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Victorian Stock and Debentures Conversion Act 1905 ’ and the ‘ Victorian Government Debentures Regulation Act 1912 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. GEELONG LAND BILL.—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 City of Geelong and to provide for the Reservation of Part of the Land forming the same as a Site for Hospital Purposes and Part as a Site for State School Purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, 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. WALPEUP WEST LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to certain Crown Lands situate within the Walpeup West Waterworks District and Certain Improvements thereon* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, 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. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.**—The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the unsatisfactory answers given by the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the Mover's questions on this day's Notice Paper *re* the reinstatement of the police strikers and the discontinuance of recruiting for the police force ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
10. **PAPERS.**—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, 1927.
 Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict. Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1926–27.
 Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar for the year 1926.
 Land Acts—Certificates relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Daylesford State School.
 Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners—Statement of Accounts for the year 1926.
 Water Acts—Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the area that ought to be constituted the Coreena Waterworks District, together with plan showing the area of such proposed District.
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 to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 12 *ante*), having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and such members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **FOOTSCRAY 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 W. H. Edgar 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. 3 to 7 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1927.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, I thank you for the expression of loyalty contained in the Address 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.

SOMERS,
Governor of Victoria.

3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—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 six hundred and twenty-one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to discuss the Proprietary Articles Trades Association (known as the P.A.T.A.) and its operations and effect upon retail chemists and the public ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
5. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—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 W. H. Edgar 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 Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 five minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. E. J. WHITE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if, in view of the fact that millions of sheep are now being kept alive in Queensland with fodder from the Southern States, the Government have considered the possibility of the trouble on the Queensland railways extending to New South Wales and Victoria ; if so, are the Government taking any precautions against a stoppage of transport.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
2. SUPREME COURT (VEXATIOUS ACTIONS) BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
4. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES REGULATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
5. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
6. GEELONG LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
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9. POUNDS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
10. POISONS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
11. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

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- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. HITCHCOCK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Is it a fact that all or some of the drains at the Werribee Farm of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works have been recently cleaned out and the filth therefrom turned into Port Phillip Bay.
 - (b) Is it the policy of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to allow this filth to enter Port Phillip Bay; if so, how often is such work carried out.
 - (c) Is it the intention of the Board to pursue this policy in the future.
 - (d) What steps do the Government propose to take to have the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Sanitation, 1926, regarding the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, carried into effect, and when will such steps be taken.

2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What are the names of the officers constituting the staff of the State Electricity Commission receiving £600 and over per annum at the present time; in what capacity is each such officer employed; and what amount was paid to each such officer for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (b) What arrangements, if any, are in force by which the Commission can secure the advice of Mr. Clark as Mining Engineer, Mr. Michel as Hydraulic Engineer, and Mr. Merz as Electrical Engineer.
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 - (d) What was the cost of the Commission's Publicity Department for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (e) Does the Publicity Department supply to country newspapers leading and other articles intended to place Yallourn and the Commission's operations in a favorable light.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).
Footscray Land Bill.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk—
Education Acts—Regulation XXI., Clause 22—Scholarships—Clause rescinded and clause substituted.
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4. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE 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 W. H. Edgar 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until after Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3.
6. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) 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 W. H. Edgar 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 Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, and Orders of the Day, Government Business Nos. 4 to 11 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council

No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. FOLLOWING ADVANCES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to enable Advances to be made on certain Terms to Cultivators of Land to enable them to fallow their Land and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
3. SPENCER-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 W. H. Edgar 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, after debate, 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.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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-five minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 9.

TUESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Questions.

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3. The Hon. W. P. CROCKETT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will take steps to have the question of linking up the Wimmera-Mallee railways by cross country railway lines referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.
4. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) How many miles of railway would be required to connect Orbost (Victoria), with Bombala (New South Wales).
 - (b) If these towns were connected by a line of railway what would be the distance from Melbourne to Sydney *via* the Gippsland-Canberra route.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
State Electricity Commission (Shepparton Purchase) Bill.
3. FAIR RENTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act for the Establishment of Courts for the purpose of fixing Fair Rents for Dwelling-houses and Shops* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, 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 27th September next.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.—The Honorable H. Hitchcock moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the menace of the filth from the Werribee Farm of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works being emptied into Port Phillip Bay, and the Report and Recommendations of the Royal Commission on Sanitation ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 31st March, 1927.
Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1926–27.
Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1926.
Stock Foods Acts—Regulations—Official Methods of Analysis of Bran and Pollard.
6. 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 Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3.
7. FOLLOWING 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 W. H. Edgar 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. SUPREME COURT (VEXATIOUS ACTIONS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 4 be postponed until after Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6.
10. GEELONG 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **WALPEUP WEST LANDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
12. **VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT DEBENTURES REGULATION 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in Clause 6 of such Bill and have disagreed with the amendment made in Clause 3, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
Clause 3, sub-clause (1), line 13, after " Board " } insert " by contract after public } tenders being called for the work." }	Disagreed with.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
G. L. Goudie.

And so it passed in the negative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly.

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7 to 10 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday, the 27th September next.
16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 27th September next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 Tuesday, the 27th September next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What are the names of the officers constituting the staff of the State Electricity Commission receiving £600 and over per annum at the present time; in what capacity is each such officer employed; and what amount was paid to each such officer for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (b) What arrangements, if any, are in force by which the Commission can secure the advice of Mr. Clark as Mining Engineer, Mr. Michel as Hydraulic Engineer, and Mr. Merz as Electrical Engineer.
 - (c) Have these gentlemen been consulted during the past two years; if so, what has been the cost of such consultations.
 - (d) What was the cost of the Commission's Publicity Department for the year ended 30th June, 1927.
 - (e) Does the Publicity Department supply to country newspapers leading and other articles intended to place Yallourn and the Commission's operations in a favorable light.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he has taken any action to further the proposal adopted by the previous Government to settle migrants in the Beech Forest district and other parts of the State in connexion with forestry.
3. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will this Session introduce legislation to prevent the hawking of shares in bogus and doubtful concerns, to prevent the floating of public companies with insufficient capital, and to provide that any new fire or life insurance company be required, before offering shares for sale to the public, to lodge a large deposit with the Government for the protection of the public and to show the bona fides of such companies.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
2. POUNDS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. POISONS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
4. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,

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FRANK CLARKE,

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Railways Commissioners intend to extend the South Yarra railway bridge southwards so as to permit Alexandra Avenue to be widened at that point and so remove the existing bottle-neck which is dangerous to motor traffic.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POISONS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
2. ALTONA RAILWAY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
4. INSTRUMENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
5. MILK BOARD BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
6. LAW INSTITUTE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
7. MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
8. VICTORIAN LOAN AUTHORITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
9. COWWARR LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
10. POUNDS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
11. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
12. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
- Fallowing Advances Bill.*
Geelong Land Bill.
Walpeup West Lands Bill.
Victorian Government Debentures Regulation Bill.
Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.

3. SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Council.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

Clause 3, sub-clause (1), line 13, after " Board " insert " by contract after public tenders being called for the work."	}	How dealt with. Disagreed with by Assembly—Insisted on by Council—Disagreement insisted on by Assembly.
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The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do not now insist on their amendment with which the Assembly insist on disagreeing.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
 W. J. Beckett,
 H. I. Cohen,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 M. McGregor,
 H. F. Richardson,
 R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
 M. Saltau.

Noes, 10

The Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris,
 H. Hitchcock,
 H. Keck,
 H. H. Smith,
 G. J. Tuckett,
 W. Tyner,
 E. J. White,
 A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 E. G. Bath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council do not now insist on their amendment with which the Assembly insist on disagreeing.

4. MILK BOARD BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled " *An Act to make provision for the Appointment of a Milk Board and for the Powers and Duties thereof and for other purposes* " and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled " *An Act to provide for Voting by Absent Voters at Elections for the Legislative Assembly* " and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **ALTONA RAILWAY BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to approve and ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement between Altona Beach Estates Limited the Premier of the State of Victoria and Arthur Rickard and Co. Limited respecting the Transfer to the State of the Altona Railway and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **INSTRUMENTS BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Bills of Sale* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **LAW INSTITUTE BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Law Institute Act 1917 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **CHARLTON LAND BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain Crown Lands at or near Charlton and the Sale of Portion thereof the closing of Portion of a Street in Charlton and the Sale of the Land forming the same the application of the Proceeds of any such Sale and the Reservation of the Remainder of the said Crown Lands and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, 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. **COWWARR LAND BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to revoke the Reservation of certain Land in the Township of Cowwarr permanently reserved as a Site for a Mechanics’ Institute and Free Library and to provide for the Payment of certain Moneys to the Committee of the Cowwarr Mechanics’ Institute and for other purposes,* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. H. Disney, 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. **MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Mildura College Lands Act 1916 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, 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. **FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Farm Produce Agents Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
13. **VICTORIAN LOAN AUTHORITY BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Moneys authorized but not required to be raised under certain Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Amalgamated Freezing Company (Victoria) Pty. Ltd.—Interim Report of Royal Commission.
Commonwealth and State Ministers.—Report of the Conference held at Parliament House, Melbourne, June, 1927, and at Parliament House, Sydney, July, 1927.

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 :—

Crimes Act 1915 and Indeterminate Sentences Act 1915—Additional Regulations as to Indeterminate Sentences.

Education Act 1915—

Council of Public Education—Regulations.

Regulation XI.—Classification in Honours—Clauses rescinded and clauses substituted.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1926–27.

Motor Car Act 1915—Regulations.

Public Service Acts—Regulations—

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Chief Secretary.

Department of Law.

Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).

Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—

Department of Agriculture.

Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Public Instruction.

Miscellaneous—Special Allowances.

Trade Unions—Forty-first Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1926, with an Appendix.

Workers' Compensation Act 1915—State Accident Insurance Office—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for the year 1926–27.

15. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to discuss the statements made by the Honorable the Minister of Forests on the 2nd August last, with reference to the planting of *pinus insignis* and other matters referred to by him on that occasion; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
16. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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. POUNDS 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.
18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, be postponed until later this day.
19. CHARLTON 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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 ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, and
Milk Board Bill—Second Reading,
Altona Railway Bill—Second Reading,
Instruments Bill—Second Reading,
Law Institute Bill—Second Reading,
Cowwarr Land Bill—Second Reading,
Mildura College Lands Bill—Second Reading,
Victorian Loan Authority Bill—Second Reading,
and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
21. THE LATE HONORABLE SIR JOHN MCWHAE.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That this House records its sorrow at the death of the Honorable Sir John McWhae and its appreciation of his services to the Parliament and people of this State, as a Member of this House, a Minister of the Crown, and as Agent-General for Victoria, which caused him to be regarded by all with respect and affection. And other honorable members having addressed the House—
The Deputy-President said—

Before putting the motion, I should like to add my testimony to what has been said by honorable members regarding one of our great citizens. Sir John McWhae possessed all the best characteristics of the Scotchman. The manner in which he won his way to the highest position has set an admirable example to young Australia. He gained a leading position in public life by dogged perseverance. His influence strengthened all that was best in our social, political, and national life. I think that it is a fitting act for us to place on record the motion that has been moved by the Minister of Public Works. It is a grand thing that men earn such praise as Sir John McWhae has deservedly received. He left an example that the young men of our land may well follow. He was a man of strong principles and of great personality. He stood loyally at all times for noble conceptions of character that made for the advancement of the State. I found him always a true friend. We know the wonderful work that he did during the war, and how liberally he stood by the broken boys from the front. He has left a record that will be preserved not only in the archives of Victoria, but also in the hearts and memories of numberless families. It is a profound sorrow that Sir John McWhae should have died away from home. It is also sad that Lady McWhae had to undertake the long return journey to

Victoria without her husband's companionship. There is a conviction that he has passed to a higher service, but his ideals and influence must live and encourage the young manhood of the State to catch his spirit and to emulate his high sense of duty. When I was in London I had an opportunity of witnessing his work and of learning the power he exercised as Agent-General for this State. I learnt how men listened to his advice regarding Australian affairs, and how he endeavoured to induce the right class of migrant to come to this land. He has left an example that will remain and will influence a large section of the community. I join in the sincere regrets expressed by honorable members, and pray that God may comfort Lady McWhae and the family in their great sorrow. I trust that they will experience a sympathy that will comfort them in their hours of trial.

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

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the under-mentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Spencer-street Bridge Bill.
3. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to regulate Attachment of Wages* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. H. Disney, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. POISONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. ALTONA RAILWAY 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 W. H. Edgar 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. PETROL PUMPS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. INSTRUMENTS 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 W. H. Edgar 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. MILK BOARD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th October next.

10. **LAW INSTITUTE 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 7, be postponed until after No. 12.
12. **VICTORIAN LOAN AUTHORITY 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 W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a thtrd 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. **COWWARR 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 10, be postponed until after No. 11.
15. **ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7, 10 and 12, be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if, in view of the published reports that the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board is importing rails for the conversion to electric traction of the Victoria-street cable tramway, he will urge the Board not to further exercise its power under the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1918* to proceed with the conversion of the Victoria-street cable tramway until Parliament has considered the whole question of the conversion of the Clifton Hill, Northcote, and Brunswick-street cable tramways and also the proposed abandoning of part of the Gertrude-street cable route.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POISONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)*.
2. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.
3. INSTRUMENTS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
5. POUNDS BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—To be further considered in Committee.
6. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
8. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney*)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MILK BOARD BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

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PARLIAMANTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.

- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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- Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1926 (No. 19).
- Forests Commission—Report for the year 1925–26 (No. 6).
- Friendly Societies—
 Report of the Government Statist for the year 1925–26 (No. 9).
 Report of the Registrar for the year 1926 (No. 22).
- Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1926 (No. 13).
- Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1925 (No. 11).
- Hospitals, Medical Schools, and Research Institutions in Canada and the United States of America—Report by the Hon. Stanley S. Argyle, M.B., M.R.C.S., M.L.A., on the Co-ordination and Co-relation of (C. No. 2).
- Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1925 (No. 12).
- Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage, Account for the year 1926 (No. 20).
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for the year 1926, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1925–26 (No. 17).
- Public Service.—Report of J. Wallace Ross, Esq., A.I.C.A., A.A.I.S., A.C.A.A., who was appointed a Board of Inquiry to inquire into the Methods in the Public Service (No. 1).
- Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1926 (No. 15).
- Railways—
 Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1926–27 (No. 23).
 Reports of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—
 Edenhope District Connecting Railway (Report No. 4).
 Gormandale, Callignee, and Carrajung Districts Connecting Railway (Report No. 1).
 McIvor Timber Tramway, near Tooborac, Purchase of (Report No. 3).
 Mildura—Improved Station, Yard, Locomotive Facilities, &c., at (C. No. 1).
 Myrniong and Greendale Districts Connecting Railway (Report No. 2).
 Thirty-seventh General Report (No. 8).
- Sanitation.—Report of the Royal Commission, 1926 (No. 2).
- State Superannuation Board.—Report for the half-year ended 30th June, 1926 (No. 3).
- Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1926 (No. 10).
- Victorian Outer Ports—Reports of Royal Commission—
 Fifth Progress Report.—The Gippsland Lakes Entrance and Gippsland's Development as related to its Outer Ports (No. 7).
 Sixth Progress Report.—Welshpool, the Port for South Gippsland, the Re-settlement of Abandoned Lands, &c. (No. 14).
 Seventh Progress Report.—Local Harbor Boards, their Constitution, Areas, and Finance (No. 16).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—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 five hundred and forty-four thousand nine hundred and fifty-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
3. SWINE COMPENSATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide Compensation for the Owners of Pigs in certain cases, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
River Murray Waters Act 1915—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1926–27.
State Coal Mines—Annual Report of the General Manager, including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1926–27.
5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—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 W. H. Edgar 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. POISONS 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 W. H. Edgar 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 transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
7. PETROL PUMPS 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, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, further adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. INSTRUMENTS 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 W. H. Edgar 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.

9. MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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. POUNDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at half-past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. P. CROCKETT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Soldier Settlers Advisory Boards have furnished to the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey reports concerning any of the districts visited; if so, what districts have been reported upon, and is it the intention of the Government to give early effect to the recommendations of these Boards.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Health Acts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MILK BOARD BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
2. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
3. SWINE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
4. POUNDS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
5. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
7. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. I. McNamara)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
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STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1927.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PETROL PUMPS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
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5. SWINE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Charlton Land Bill.*
 - Altona Railway Bill.*
 - Law Institute Bill.*
 - Victorian Loan Authority Bill.*
 - Cowwarr Land Bill.*
 - Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).*
 - Mildura College Lands Bill.*
3. FORESTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Forests Acts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. CORRECTIONS IN POISONS BILL.—The President announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying, in conformity with Standing Order No. 300, that he had made the following corrections in the *Poisons Bill*, viz. :—
 - In clause 8, sub-clause (1), at the end of paragraph (a), the word “ and ” has been inserted.
 - In clause 11, sub-clause (1), line 25, the letter “ (a) ” has been omitted.
 - In clause 40, page 24, line 40, the word “ detain ” has been omitted.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Public Service Acts—Regulations—
 - Additions to Regulation XII. (A)—Teachers’ Colleges.
 - Regulation XXXVIII. (A)—Student-Teachers in Technical Schools—Regulation rescinded and regulation substituted.
6. HEALTH BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, a Bill to amend the Health Acts was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
7. MILK BOARD 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—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
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H. Hitchcock,
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E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

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The Hon. T. Beggs,
H. H. Smith.

And so it passed in the negative.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
9. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable W. J. Beckett 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.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
3. **PETROL PUMPS 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 W. H. Edgar 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 transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
4. **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. 4.
5. **WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 5, be postponed until after No. 6.
7. **POUNDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, 5, 7, and 8, be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable W. J. Beckett 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.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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No. 15.

TUESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FORESTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
2. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
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5. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
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7. POUNDS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. FORESTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
3. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, be postponed until after No. 7.
5. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. WAGES ATTACHMENT 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.
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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.
7. SWINE COMPENSATION 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
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Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 16.

TUESDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government propose to make provision for the constitution of an authority to construct and maintain metropolitan bridges other than the Spencer-street bridge, or for endowing any existing authority such as the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works or the Country Roads Board with power to construct and maintain bridges.
2. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will cause inquiries to be made as to whether the sacred stones belonging to a Central Australian aboriginal tribe which were removed during the recent "Reso" train tour, have been offered to any Australian museum or returned to Central Australia. If the stones have not been disposed of in either of these ways, will the Government have inquiries made as to their power to secure the proper disposal of these stones.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FORESTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
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3. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1927.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will cause inquiries to be made as to whether the sacred stones belonging to a Central Australian aboriginal tribe which were removed during the recent "Reso" train tour have been offered to any Australian museum or returned to Central Australia. If the stones have not been disposed of in either of these ways, will the Government have inquiries made as to their power to secure the proper disposal of these stones.
2. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Has the proclamation issued by the Governor in Council giving the Forests Commission control of timber on roads been withdrawn; if so, when.
 - (b) If, or when, the proclamation has been withdrawn will the municipal councils have full control of all timber on the roads under their care and management.
 - (c) How many prosecutions have been instituted during the three years ended the 30th June, 1927, including those withdrawn, against municipalities or persons for cutting or removing timber from shire roads, giving the names of the municipalities or persons prosecuted.
3. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what action the Government intend taking to prevent the Exhibition Trustees from leasing the Exhibition Oval for the purpose of tin hare coursing.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FAIR RENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. I. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading.

Government Business.

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Upon the Forests Bill being committed—

1. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT: To move, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider a new clause relating to the control of timber on roads.

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VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1927.

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

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

“ 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 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 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 Farm, three hundred and eighty-two acres and thirty-one perches, being Crown allotment 2 and parts of Crown allotment 1 of section 21 of the parish of Bulla Bulla, No. 196 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 £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. RUSSELL CLARKE ”

3. CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Race Meetings at Cranbourne* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, 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. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the unsatisfactory answer given by the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the Mover's question on this day's Notice-paper *re* the constitution of an authority to construct and maintain metropolitan bridges other than the Spencer-street bridge or for endowing any existing authority such as the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works or the County Roads Board with power to construct and maintain bridges ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and negatived.

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

Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts for the year 1926–27.

6. FORESTS 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.

The Honorable G. J. Tuckett having asked whether an amendment of section 45 of the *Forests Act 1918* relating to the control of timber on roads could be moved in Committee on this Bill—

The President said—

In answer to the honorable member's question, which he advised me he intended to ask, I desire to say it is not a desirable practice that the President should give rulings on hypothetical cases, or on the conduct of affairs in Committee before they occur, because, in the latter case, it is the Chairman of Committee's prerogative to give a ruling in the first instance, and for members to have, with the consent of the Chairman, an appeal to the President. In regard to Mr. Tuckett's question,

I therefore answer that it is not for me at this stage to say what may or may not be admitted in Committee. I should, however, advise the House what action may be taken by it before the Bill gets into Committee. Standing Order 274 provides that—

“Any amendment may be made to a clause, provided the same be relevant to the subject-matter of the Bill, or pursuant to an instruction”

May, at page 399 of the 13th edition of his *Parliamentary Practice*, states that an instruction empowers the Committee on a Bill—

“To perfect and complete the legislation defined by the contents of the Bill, or extend the provisions of the Bill to cognate objects.”

Standing Order 215 provides that—

“Notice shall be required of an instruction, and the time for moving an instruction to a Committee is when the Council is about to first resolve itself into such Committee, before the President leaves the chair.”

If the honorable member fears that a proposed amendment will not be accepted by the Chairman in Committee, he can, therefore, immediately after the committal of the Bill, move, by leave, that it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment or a new clause relating to the control of timber on roads. If leave is refused by any one member, the mover may give notice of his intention to move for an instruction on the next day of meeting. The Minister in charge of the Bill, if he desires to facilitate the moving of the proposed instruction, could move that the committal of the Bill be postponed until the next day of meeting, and so allow the honorable member's notice of motion for an instruction to be first decided. If, on the other hand, the Minister does not desire to facilitate the instruction the honorable member himself may, as an amendment to the question, “That the President do now leave the chair,” move, “That the Council will to-morrow resolve itself into the said Committee.” I should add that, while an instruction of the House to the Committee widens somewhat the definition of what is relevant, the subject-matter of an instruction must still be relevant to the Bill. According to the practice of Parliament, it would be the President's duty to refuse to accept a motion for an instruction to consider an amendment that is entirely irrelevant to the Bill. If an instruction is disallowed by the President as irrelevant, the honorable member may be able to attain his object by moving, by leave, or on notice, “That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the moving of the instruction.” But this method is open to grave abuses, and I trust honorable members will not sanction it.

Debate continued.

The Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Local Government Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, for the Honorable E. L. Kiernan, 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 8th November next.
3. 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 the unsatisfactory answer given by the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the Mover's question on this day's Notice-paper as to what action the Government intend taking to prevent the Exhibition Trustees from leasing the Exhibition Oval for the purpose of tin hare coursing; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

4. **FAIR RENTS 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.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
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Noes, 17.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
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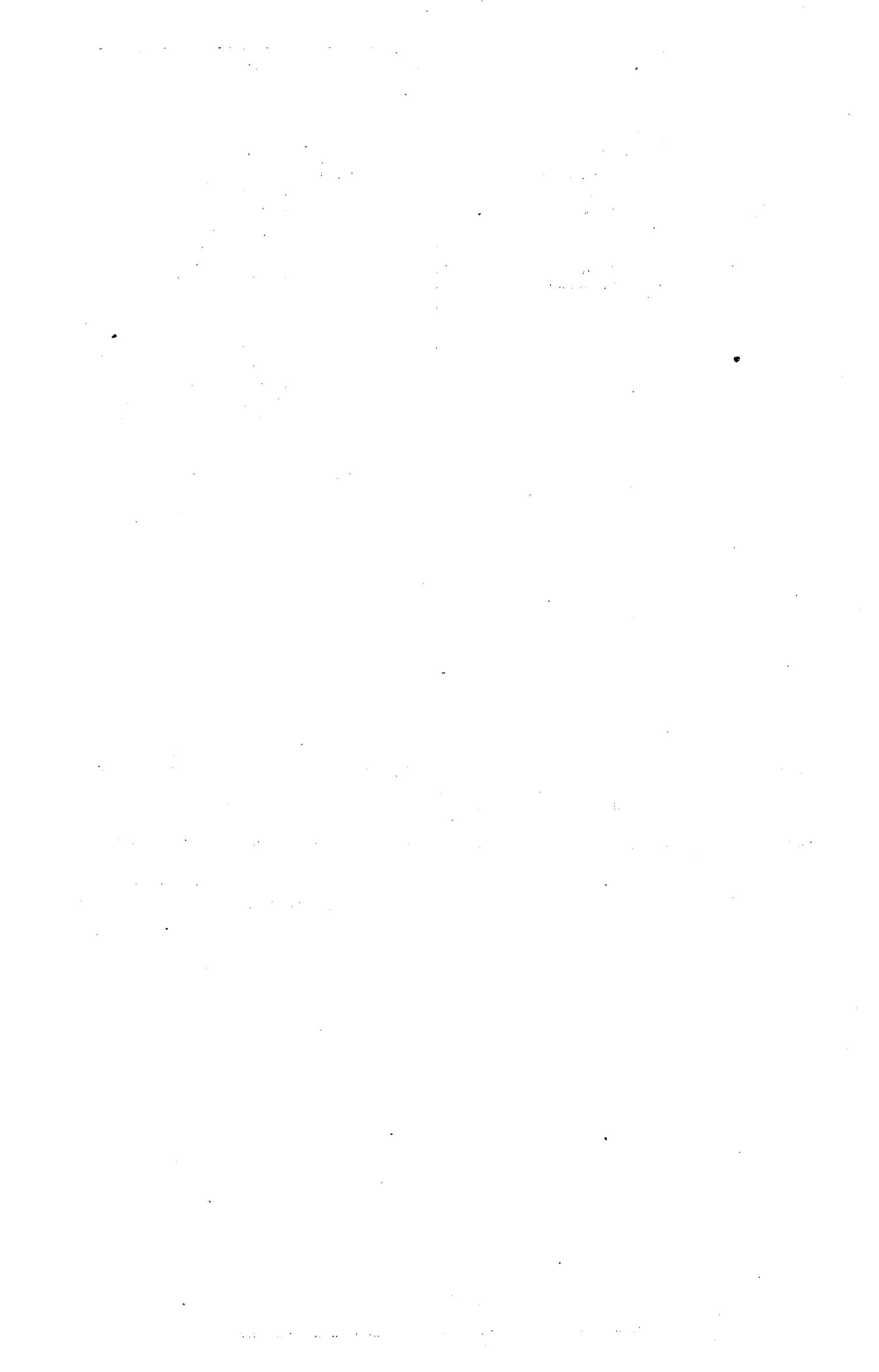
The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
H. F. Richardson.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. **CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable W. Tyner, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 8th November next.
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7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until Tuesday, the 8th November next.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 8th November next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 8th November next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 18.

TUESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Have the Government considered the question of constructing the new road to Footscray so that the construction of the Appleton Dock may be proceeded with in order to replace the berthing accommodation that will be lost to the Port by the erection of the Spencer-street bridge.
 - (b) Do the Government propose to introduce this Session a Bill to provide for the cost of this road being borne in accordance with the allocation of costs set out in the report of the Board of Inquiry appointed to allocate such cost.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. W. Tyner).
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Swine Compensation Bill.
Instruments Bill.
3. TRINITY COLLEGE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to a College affiliated to and connected with the University of Melbourne and known as Trinity College* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. EVIDENCE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Seventy-two of the ‘ Evidence Act 1915 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
5. CASTERTON TO NANGEELA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Casterton to Nangeela* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—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 to further amend Part I. of the ‘ Housing and Reclamation Act 1920 ’ and to approve and ratify and provide for carrying into effect an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and The Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. INSTRUMENTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in this Bill by the Council.
8. POUNDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same with an amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
9. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to two of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, and have agreed to the amendment in clause 2 with consequential amendments and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
10. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).—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 four hundred and thirty-two thousand six hundred and one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1926.

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 :—

Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1926.

Education—Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1926–27.

Education Acts—Regulation XXXVII.—Technical Schools—Clauses rescinded and clauses substituted.

Land Acts—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Kangaroo Ground State School.

Public Service Acts—Regulations—

Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—

Department of Agriculture.

Department of Treasurer.

General.

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Agriculture (2 papers).

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Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—

Department of Chief Secretary.

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Treasurer.

University Act 1923—Regulation XLIII.—Election of Technical School Member of the University Council.

University of Melbourne—Annual Report, 1926–27.

12. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (NO. 5).—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 W. H. Edgar 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. ELECTORAL (ABSENT VOTERS) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council and agreed to by the Assembly with consequential amendments having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

<p>Clause 2, lines 16–17, omit “ in respect of residence.”</p>	}	<p>Agreed to with the following consequential amendments in the clause, viz. :— (a) line 16, after “ Acts ” omit “ if such person is enrolled.” (b) line 17, before “ he shall ” omit “ in such subdivision.”</p>
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On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Council agreed to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly, and ordered the Bill to be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them therewith.

14. FORESTS 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 G. J. Tuckett moved, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider a new clause relating to the control of timber on roads.

Debate ensued.

The President said—

The Minister of Forests has asked me to give a ruling upon the question whether the motion for an instruction to the Committee to deal with the control of timber on roads is in order on the question of relevancy. I may point out that this House has always taken to itself the right to interpret the rules as to relevancy of amendments in a broad way. Many amendments have been accepted in this House, which a strict reading of these rules would not allow. It is my duty as President first of all to carry out the practice of the House and to follow the precedents and traditions that have been established. If the Forests Bill consisted of only one clause, or dealt with only one subject amending the Forests Act, I would have grave doubts whether the introduction of a fresh subject would be relevant or permissible. I have no doubt, however, that

this Bill is a Bill generally amending the Forests Acts. It amends at least nine different sections or parts of sections of the Principal Act. Therefore, in my opinion, the words used by *May* which have been read referring to endowing a Committee with power to perfect and complete the legislation defined by the contents of a Bill, or to extend the provisions of a Bill to cognate objects apply in this particular case. I think the power to extend the Bill to cognate objects brings this proposal within the rules as to relevancy. It is also perhaps desirable that I should read our own standing order No. 213, which says—

“An instruction empowers a Committee of the whole Council to consider matters not otherwise referred to them.”

I think that this Standing Order deliberately contemplates instructions upon such matters as the one brought forward to-night. The question of control of timber upon roads is dealt with in the principal Act and if nine major subjects in the principal Act are proposed to be amended by the Bill, I think it is in accordance with the custom and practice of this House to permit the introduction of a tenth object such as this is. In my opinion, therefore, the relevancy is sufficient to permit of an instruction being given.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar 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. 2 and 3, and

Casterton to Nangeela Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,
State Savings Bank Bill—Second reading,
Pounds Bill—Amendment of the Assembly—To be considered.

and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow,

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Four hundred and ninety-three of the ‘Local Government Act 1915’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
3. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Apprenticeship and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, 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. CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS 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 H. H. Smith having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted.
The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.
The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “on Tuesday next” be added after the word “time.”
Question—That the word “now” proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
E. J. White,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. H. Edgar,
H. F. Richardson,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a third time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2, be postponed until Tuesday next.
 6. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
 7. 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 Tuesday next.
 8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones 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-five minutes past Six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. EVIDENCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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10. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).*

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 21.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
- Is the Government aware of the fact that the Electricity Commissioners are applying for a victualler's licence in respect of premises at Yallourn.
 - Is the Government aware of the fact that one, George Dixon Brown, is applying for a victualler's licence or a transfer thereof in respect of premises at Yallourn.
 - (i) What is the Government's attitude towards these applications.
(ii) Has the Government been consulted or taken any steps in connexion with such applications.
 - Is the Government in favour of the establishment of licensed premises at Yallourn.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- TRINITY COLLEGE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- POUNDS BILL—AMENDMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY—To be considered.
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- HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

TUESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

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 hereinafter 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 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-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 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 £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.

“ J. K. MERRITT.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Electoral (Absent Voters) Bill.
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 5).

4. THE LATE HONORABLE SIR JOHN MCWHAE.—The President announced the receipt of the following letter from Lady McWhae :—

“ Ellingerrin,”
12th November, 1927.

DEAR SIR FRANK,—

I would like to thank you for your kind letter of sympathy. Also to convey to you and the Members of the Legislative Council our thanks for the beautiful volume sent me showing the love and esteem in which my dear husband was held. I know how very much he would have appreciated it, and all the kindly thoughts that prompted it.

My family and I will always value it greatly.

Again thanking you,

Very sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH H. MCWHAE.

5. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Licensing of Real Estate and Business Agents and their Sub-Agents and to amend the ‘ Real Estate Agents Act 1922’ and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. H. Disney, 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. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 State Electricity Commission of Victoria—Report for the year 1926–27, together with Appendices.
 State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year 1926–27.
7. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put.
 The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
 R. Williams.

Noes, 21.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 W. Angliss,
 E. G. Bath,
 F. W. Brawn,
 A. E. Chandler,
 W. L. R. Clarke,
 H. I. Cohen,
 G. M. Davis,
 W. H. Edgar,
 G. L. Goudie,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 H. Keck,
 M. McGregor,
 H. F. Richardson,
 M. Saltau,
 H. H. Smith,
 G. J. Tuckett,
 W. Tyner,
 A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
 W. P. Crockett.

And so it passed in the negative.

9. EVIDENCE 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 W. H. Edgar 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. LAND TAX BILL.—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-eight* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
11. FORESTS 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 W. L. R. Clarke 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. INCOME TAX BILL.—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-eight and to continue the Income Tax Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.**—The Honorable A. E. Chandler moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the contemplated action of the Honorable the Minister of Public Health with regard to the establishment of a sewage treatment plant at Mordialloc ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put.
 The Council divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
 F. W. Brawn,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones,
 H. Keck,
 R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
 J. K. Merritt.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
 W. L. R. Clarke,
 H. I. Cohen,
 G. M. Davis,
 W. H. Edgar,
 G. L. Goudie,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 M. McGregor,
 H. F. Richardson,
 M. Saltau,
 H. H. Smith,
 G. J. Tuckett,
 W. Tyner,
 A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
 A. E. Chandler,

And so it passed in the negative.

4. **TRINITY COLLEGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones 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 J. P. Jones 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **POUNDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—
 Clause 2, lines 13–24, omit all the words after the words “ Five shillings ” to the end of the clause.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council disagree with the amendment made by the Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
R. Williams.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau.

And so it passed in the negative.

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 in this Bill.

6. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision with respect to the Construction and Maintenance of a Road between Melbourne and Footscray and Matters incidental thereto* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. CASTERTON TO NANGEELA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION 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 W. H. Edgar 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. STATE SAVINGS BANK 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 W. H. Edgar 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. 5 to 10 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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No. 22.

TUESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
2. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. FORESTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
6. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
7. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
8. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
9. APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

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- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
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4. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
5. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

TUESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
2. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Cranbourne Race Meetings Bill.*
 - Evidence Bill.*
 - Trinity College Bill.*
 - Pounds Bill.*
 - Casterton to Nangeela Railway Construction Bill.*
3. 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 1926 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
 - Dried Fruits Acts—Statement showing details of Receipts and Expenditure under the Dried Fruits Acts from 22nd January, 1925, to 30th June, 1927.
4. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. LAND TAX BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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. FORESTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the Deputy-President left the Chair.
 - House in Committee.
 - The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. Angliss reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
 - On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of a proposed new clause in place of clause 9 omitted and clause 15.
 - House in Committee.
 - The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. Angliss 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.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 be postponed until later this day.
8. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

9. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 and Nos. 7 to 9 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until later this day.
4. APPRENTICESHIP 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.
The Honorable R. Williams moved, That the Bill be now committed.
The Honorable A. M. Zwar 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.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now committed to a Select Committee—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable A. M. Zwar moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on the Apprenticeship Bill consist of the Honorables W. Angliss, E. L. Kiernan, M. Saltau, W. Tyner, and the Mover; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 4, and 5, be postponed until Tuesday next.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 fifteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. BELL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will inform the House what price the Electricity Commissioners charge per unit for the supply of electricity (a) for lighting, and (b) for power, either in bulk or retail, at Shepparton, Echuca, Warrnambool, and Albury respectively.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that half-past Four o'clock shall be the hour of meeting on Thursday in each week be rescinded and that half-past Ten o'clock shall be the hour of meeting on Thursdays for the remainder of the Session.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
2. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
6. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).

T. R. GILCHRIST,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 30th November.

APPRENTICESHIP BILL—At Eleven o'clock.

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APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(Appointed 23rd November, 1927).—The Honorables W. Angliss, E. L. Kiernan, M. Saltau, W. Tyner, and A. M. Zwar.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) How many permits for extra days' racing were granted during the past twelve months
 - (i) for horse races, (ii) for pony races, and (iii) for trotting races.
 - (b) To whom were such permits granted, and for what purpose in each case.
 - (c) How many betting tickets were issued during the years ended 31st October, 1925, 1926, and 1927 respectively ; and what revenue was derived from the stamp duties charged upon such tickets.
 - (d) What was the number of registered bookmakers in Victoria in the years 1925, 1926, and 1927 respectively.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
6. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
8. SUPREME COURT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
9. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER TO ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
- How many permits for extra days' racing were granted during the past twelve months (i) for horse races, (ii) for pony races, and (iii) for trotting races.
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 - How many betting tickets were issued during the years ended 31st October, 1925, 1926, and 1927 respectively; and what revenue was derived from the stamp duties charged upon such tickets.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- *1. TREASURY BONDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *2. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS (DEBENTURES) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. HEALTH BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—To be further considered in Committee.
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T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 7th December.

APPRENTICESHIP BILL—At Eleven o'clock.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

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 hereinafter 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.

“T. H. PAYNE.”
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the under-mentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Land Tax Bill.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Conversion by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board of Cable Tramways under its Management into Electric Tramways and to the making and levying of Tramway Betterment Rates*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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.
5. SUPREME COURT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1915’ and to amend the Law relating to Conveyancing*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. H. Disney, 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. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have agreed to two of the amendments with amendments, and have made a consequential amendment, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
7. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Superannuation Act 1925—Report of the State Superannuation Board for the year 1926-27.
8. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that half-past Four o’clock shall be the hour of meeting on Thursday in each week be rescinded and that half-past Ten o’clock shall be the hour of meeting on Thursdays for the remainder of the Session.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. **INCOME TAX 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 W. H. Edgar 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 ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until after No. 3.
11. **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.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar 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, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive, and *Wages Attachment Bill—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration*, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

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:—
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1927.
Electoral (Absent Voters) Act 1927—Regulations.
Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—
Re minimum length for silver trevally or silver bream.
To prohibit all fishing in or taking of fish from Scots Creek and portion of Curdie's River, near Cobden, from 1st May to 15th December in each year.
To vary the Proclamations—
Re mesh or set nets in Port Phillip Bay, &c.
Re use of long lines in Port Phillip Bay (including Corio and Hobson's Bays).
Public Service Acts—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Public Works.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Lands and Survey (2 papers).
Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Department of Public Instruction.
3. **INCOME TAX 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS (DEBENTURES) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Debentures in favour of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia in lieu of the Creation and Issue of Victorian Government Consolidated Inscribed Stock under certain Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

5. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **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 R. H. S. Abbott 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.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 27.

THURSDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **PAPER.**—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Twenty-second Annual Report, 1926–27.
3. **TREASURY BONDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT LOANS (DEBENTURES) 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **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.
6. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
7. **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.
8. **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 W. H. Edgar 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 transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 and Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 9.

10. WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council and agreed to by the Assembly with amendments and with a consequential amendment having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follows :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

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| 1. Clause 3, line 10, after " any " | } | Agreed to with the following amendment :—
Before " married " insert " single clerk servant labourer or workman having any person dependent on his wages or of any." |
| 2. Clause 4, line 12, after " such " | } | Agreed to with the following amendment :—
Before " married " insert " single or ". |

And the following consequential amendment made :—

At the end of the Bill insert the following new clause :—

" Rules of Court under the Supreme Court Acts rules under the County Court Acts and the Justices Acts respectively may be made providing for the service of a copy of any order for the attachment of the wages of any judgment debtor upon such judgment debtor and for any subsequent proceedings thereon."

The Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That the Council agree to the amendments made by the Assembly on the amendments of the Council and to the consequential amendment made by the Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have disagreed with the amendments made by the Assembly on the amendments of the Council and with the consequential amendment made by the Assembly.

11. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend Part II. of the ' Highways and Vehicles Act 1924' and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

12. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6).—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 five hundred and eighteen thousand eight hundred and eighty-four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, and No. 10 be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works how many persons are employed as cleaners of the public offices; and what is the rate of wage paid to these cleaners.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6)—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2)—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.
3. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.
5. SUPREME COURT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney*)—Second reading.
6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.
7. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 7th December.

APPRENTICESHIP BILL—At Eleven o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 6th July, 1927)—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

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LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

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- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 13th July, 1927)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.
- APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(Appointed 23rd November, 1927).—The Honorables W. Angliss, E. L. Kiernan, M. Saltau, W. Tyner, and A. M. Zwar.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Question.

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests on what dates the deficits at the end of financial years have been funded and provided for out of loan money and what were the periods and terms on which such money was borrowed.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPREME COURT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
3. BETTING (MECHANICAL COURSEING) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
4. BUSINESS NAMES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
7. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
8. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—To be further considered in Committee.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER TO ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. BETTING (MECHANICAL COURSGING) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. SUPREME COURT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading.
4. BUSINESS NAMES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
5. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
- *7. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
- *8. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL—AMENDMENT OF ASSEMBLY—To be considered.
9. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
10. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2)—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—To be further considered in Committee.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 6th July, 1927)—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

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- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 13th July, 1927)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Income Tax Bill.
Treasury Bonds Bill.
Victorian Government Loans (Debentures) Bill.
3. BUSINESS NAMES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Registration of Firms and Persons carrying on Business under Business Names and relating to the Names, Styles, Titles or Designations under which Businesses are carried on, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1926.
 Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1926.
5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6).—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 W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third 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 ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
7. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD 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 W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
 On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 4, 5, 6 and 11.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar 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.
8. BETTING (MECHANICAL COURSGING) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to prohibit Betting or Wagering in connexion with the Coursing of Dogs with a Mechanically or Electrically Controlled Quarry* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).—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.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted and the words "this day six months" added after the word "time."

Debate ensued.

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

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
E. L. Kiernan,
J. K. Merritt,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. J. White.

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 W. H. Edgar 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. 4 to 8 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 6).
3. 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 construction of the Darling to Glen Waverley railway line; 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 Honorable W. J. Beckett presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1926.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. STATE SAVINGS BANK 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 W. L. R. Clarke 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.

6. **WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they do not insist on their amendments on the amendments of the Council in this Bill and have now agreed to the amendments of the Council and do not insist on the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in such Bill.
7. **MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council and have disagreed with others of the said amendments and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
8. **ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same with an amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
9. **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 to-morrow.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 30.

THURSDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **STATE SAVINGS BANK 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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, after debate, 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.
3. **BETTING (MECHANICAL COURSGING) 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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. **SUPREME COURT 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
5. **LIFTS REGULATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Lifts Regulation Act 1915’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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.
6. **POISONS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this 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 taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 8.
8. **ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—
 Clause 2, sub-section (1), lines 14–15, after “the” omit “thirtieth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four” and insert “thirty-first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.”
 On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, the Council agreed to the amendment made by the Assembly, and ordered the Bill to be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them therewith.
9. **BUSINESS NAMES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable A. M. Zwar, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, and No. 9 be postponed until after No. 10.
11. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).**—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 W. H. Edgar 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.
12. **FORESTS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this 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 disagreed with the amendment in Clause 11, but have made an amendment in the said clause, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
13. **REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS 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. Angiiss, further adjourned until Tuesday next.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6, 7, and 9, be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at Four o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that half-past Four o'clock shall be the hour of meeting of the Council on Wednesday in each week be rescinded and that for the remainder of the Session the hour of meeting on Wednesdays shall be half-past Ten o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FORESTS BILL—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
2. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. H. Disney)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. W. Angliss).
3. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
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7. POISONS BILL—AMENDMENTS OF ASSEMBLY—To be considered.
8. LIFTS REGULATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 13th December.

APPRENTICESHIP BILL—At Three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that half-past Four o'clock shall be the hour of meeting of the Council on Wednesday in each week be rescinded and that for the remainder of the Session the hour of meeting on Wednesdays shall be half-past Ten o'clock.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Public Service of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
2. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
4. BUSINESS NAMES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. A. M. Zwar).
5. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
6. POOR PERSONS LEGAL ASSISTANCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
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MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER TO ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 32.

THURSDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

- *1. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That the Apprenticeship Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
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- *3. INCOME TAX ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
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- *5. TOTALIZATOR BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
- *6. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Wages Attachment Bill.
Betting (Mechanical Coursing) Bill.
Architects Registration Bill.
Supreme Court Bill.
3. COBURG AND SOMERTON RAILWAY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Re-opening of Portion of the Coburg and Somerton Railway situate between the Fawkner and Somerton Stations and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. SUPREME COURT BILL.—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 this Bill.
5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Income Tax Report—Analysis of Operations for the Tax Year 1925–26 as at 31st December, 1926.
 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—Twentieth Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1927.
 Health Acts—Report of the Commission of Public Health for the year 1926–27.
 State Electricity Commission Acts—
 Regulation re Instantaneous Water Heaters.
 Regulation re Limitation of the Power Factor of Arc Welding Apparatus.
 State Electricity Commission Works Protection Regulations 1927.
6. FORESTS 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 having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

2. Clause 9, omit this clause.

How dealt with
by the Legislative
Assembly.

Disagreed with.

3. Clause 11, lines 25-26, omit “or by a barrister and solicitor.”

Disagreed with but the following
amendment made in the
clause :—Insert the following proviso to
follow paragraph (a):—

“Provided that no order for payment by any defendant to the informant of the costs of any barrister and solicitor shall be made unless the Court by whom the information is heard is of opinion that in the circumstances it was reasonable for the informant to appear by a barrister and solicitor. The reasons for such opinion shall be entered in the Register of such Court and shall be signed by each justice concurring in such opinion.”

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with
by the Legislative
Assembly.

4. Clause 15, sub-clause (1), line 14, after "purchased" insert "provided that any proposed construction or purchase estimated to exceed the sum of Twenty thousand pounds shall be first referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report and shall not be carried out unless recommended by such Committee and the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways shall for the above purpose have all the powers conferred by the *Railways Standing Committee Act* 1915 or any amendment thereof." } Disagreed with.

Amendment 2.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 9.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable G. M. Davis moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the question :—"but amend the said clause by the omission of paragraph (b) of sub-clause (1).

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Council do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 9, but amend the said clause by the omission of paragraph (b) of sub-clause (1)—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett the following consequential amendments were made in the clause :—

Sub-clause (2), lines 33–4, omit "or owner or occupier of private land aforesaid."

Sub-clause (3), lines 37–8, omit "or owner or occupier of private land aforesaid."

Amendment 3 not insisted on, and amendment of the Assembly agreed to.

Amendment 4, after debate, insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment in clause 15 disagreed with by the Assembly, do not insist on their amendment in clause 11 disagreed with by the Assembly and have agreed to the amendment made by the Assembly in such clause, and do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 9 but have made amendments in such clause and desiring their concurrence therein.

7. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to give further Facilities to Holders of Victorian Government Stock and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive, be postponed until after No. 5.
9. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
10. COBURG AND SOMERTON RAILWAY 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 W. H. Edgar 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. REAL ESTATE AND BUSINESS AGENTS 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—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
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M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. H. Payne,
W. Tyner.

And so it passed in the negative.

12. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council and have disagreed with the amendment in Clause 15, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

2. Clause 15, sub-clause (1), insert the following paragraph to follow paragraph (b) :—

(c) for the words “ the Commissioners may be required to insure and keep insured as aforesaid the said building or other property ” there shall be substituted the words “ such purchaser or borrower.”

Disagreed with.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
Dr. J. R. Harris.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. H. Smith.

And so it passed in the negative.—Amendment insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, 6 and 7, be postponed until after No. 8.

14. LIFTS REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
M. Saltau.

And so it passed in the negative.

15. 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. 7.

16. POISONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 8, sub-clause (1), line 42, omit “and.”

2. Clause 8, sub-clause (1), paragraph (b), line 43, at the end of the paragraph insert the following new paragraphs :—

“ (c) shall, unless cancelled, be in force until the thirty-first day of December next following the grant or renewal thereof ; and

(d) may, if the Board is satisfied that the licensee or holder of the permit is a fit and proper person to hold a licence or permit (as the case may be), be renewed from time to time.”

3. Clause 8, page 5, sub-clause (2), paragraph (a), line 4, after "Acts" insert "or the regulations."
4. Clause 13, sub-clause (1), page 8, paragraph (n), line 18, omit "Ten" and insert "Five."
5. Clause 13, sub-clause (1), page (8), paragraph (n), lines 22-23, omit "Five shillings" and insert "Two shillings and sixpence."
6. Clause 13, sub-clause (1), page (8), paragraph (n), line 23, after "grant" insert "or renewal."

Amendment 1 agreed to.

Amendment 2 agreed to with the following consequential amendment:—

Clause 8, sub-clause (1), paragraph (a), after "granted" omit "or cancelled."

Amendments 3 to 6 inclusive 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 by the Assembly in Clause 13, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in clause 8 with a consequential amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.

17. POOR PERSONS LEGAL ASSISTANCE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Legal Assistance to Poor Persons*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

18. 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 to-morrow.

And then the Council, at Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. FORESTS BILL.—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 Clause 9 of this Bill, and do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Council in Clause 15 of such Bill, with which they have now agreed.
3. TOTALIZATOR BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Totalizators on Race-courses*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that half-past Four o'clock shall be the hour of meeting of the Council on Wednesday in each week be rescinded and that for the remainder of the Session the hour of meeting on Wednesdays shall be half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Public Service of Victoria was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
7. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The Honorable A. M. Zwar brought up the Report of the Select Committee on this Bill.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

8. **POISONS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Council on the amendment of the Assembly in sub-clause (1) of clause 8 of this Bill.
9. **INCOME TAX ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Income Tax Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT STOCK 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.
12. **BUSINESS NAMES 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 W. H. Edgar 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 to-morrow.
14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 33.

THURSDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **APPRENTICESHIP BILL.**—The Honorable R. Williams moved, That the Apprenticeship Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Honorable R. Williams moved, by leave, That the Report from the Select Committee on this Bill be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. **FARM PRODUCE AGENTS 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—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. P. Jones.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
R. Williams.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
H. Hitchcock.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. 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.
5. INCOME TAX ACTS AMENDMENT 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
6. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Dentists and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, committed to a Committee of the whole.—
The President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar 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.
8. POOR PERSONS LEGAL ASSISTANCE 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 W. Angliss 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.
9. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Council in this Bill.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive, and *Medical (Dentists) Bill—Second reading*, be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 33.

TUESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no new business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.
2. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Fridays and that half-past Ten o'clock shall be the hour of meeting.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TOTALIZATOR BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY—To be taken into consideration.
3. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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No. 34.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *2. SWINE (SALES) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *3. CULTIVATION ADVANCES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *4. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (BORROWING POWERS) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
- *6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *7. HARBOR BOARDS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *8. METROPOLITAN MILK SUPPLY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *9. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
- *10. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (CONTRIBUTIONS) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
11. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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No. 35.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- *1. STAMPS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *2. COMMONWEALTH AND STATES FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris).
3. HARBOR BOARDS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. A. M. Zwar).
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MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER TO ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 36.

FRIDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1927.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

- *1. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *2. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *3. MOTOR OMNIBUSES (URBAN AND COUNTRY) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *4. NOWINGI TO MILLEWA SOUTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
- *5. DRIED FRUITS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
7. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. PUBLIC SERVICE BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1927.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 6th July, 1927)—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.
- HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 6th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 13th July, 1927).—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Hitchcock, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, G. J. Tuckett, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 13th July, 1927)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.
- APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(Appointed 23rd November, 1927).—The Honorables W. Angliss, E. L. Kiernan, M. Saltau, W. Tyner, and A. M. Zwar.

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephone F3605), 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—Statistics for the year 1925–26 (No. 4).
 Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1926–27 (No. 24).
 Conference—Report of Proceedings of Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers held at Melbourne, June, 1927, and at Sydney, 1927 (No. 26).
 Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1926–27 (No. 21).
 Country Roads Board—Report for the year 1925–26 (No. 18).
 Education—
 Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1925–26 (No. 5).
 Report of Council of Public Education for the year 1926–27 (No. 31).
 Estimates—Supplementary Estimates, 1926–27 (B. No. 3).
 Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1926 (No. 19).
 Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1926 (No. 25).
 Finance, 1926–27—Treasurer's Statement and Report of the Auditor-General, &c. (A. No. 1)
 Forests Commission—Report for the year 1925–26 (No. 6).
 Friendly Societies—
 Report of the Government Statist for the year 1925–26 (No. 9).
 Report of the Registrar for the year 1926 (No. 22).
 Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1926 (No. 13).
 Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1925 (No. 11).
 Hospitals, Medical Schools, and Research Institutions in Canada and the United States of America—Report by the Hon. Stanley S. Argyle, M.B., M.R.C.S., M.L.A., on the Co-ordination and Co-relation of (C. No. 2).
 Inebriate Institutions—
 Report of the Inspector for the year 1925 (No. 12).
 Report of the Inspector for the year 1926 (No. 30).
 Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1926 (No. 20).
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—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 this Bill.
3. INCOME TAX ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—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 this Bill.
4. POOR PERSONS LEGAL ASSISTANCE BILL.—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 this Bill.
5. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Council in such Bill, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein, and further acquainting the Council that they do not admit the right of the Council to make amendments Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, which therefore cannot be entertained.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to Municipal Endowment*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, and to further amend Section Forty-seven of the ‘Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. METROPOLITAN MILK SUPPLY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make further provision with respect to the Supply of Milk within the Metropolitan Area and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Fees payable in the Office of the Registrar-General*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. SWINE SALES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to prohibit the making of certain Charges or Deductions in connexion with the Sale of Swine*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.—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.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. CULTIVATION ADVANCES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to enable Advances to be made on certain Terms to Cultivators of Land and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
13. HARBOR BOARDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make provision for Harbor Boards for certain Ports and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

14. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Indeterminate Sentences Board—Report for the year 1926–27.

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:—

Fallowing Advances Act 1927—Regulations.

Fire Brigades Act 1915—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board—Regulations.

Land Act 1915—Report of the Lands Department for the year 1926–27.

Public Service Acts—Regulations—Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Department of Public Instruction.

Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 30th September, 1927.

15. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no new business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. ADDITIONAL DAY OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That during the remainder of the Session the Council shall meet for the despatch of business on Fridays and that half-past Ten o'clock shall be the hour of meeting.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Council in this Bill and disagreed with or not entertained by the Assembly 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.
4. Clause 5, page 5, line 17, omit “specified by the maker of the vehicle and”.	} Disagreed with.
8. Clause 9, sub-clause (1), line 18, after “tires” insert “or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act”.	
9. “ sub-clause (1), lines 29 30, omit “fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires” and insert “not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act”.	
10. “ page 8, line 2, after “tires” insert “or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act”.	} Not entertained.
11. “ page 8, lines 14–15, omit “fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires” and insert “not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act”.	
12. “ page 8, line 33, after “and” insert “a fruit or vegetable market under the control of the council of the city of Melbourne the council of the city of Geelong or the council of any municipality or”.	
13. “ page 9, line 4, after “tires” insert “or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act”.	

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

- 14. Clause 9 page 9, lines 7-8, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".
- 15. " page 9, line 12, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".
- 16. " page 9, lines 15-16, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".

Not entertained.

Amendment 4 not insisted on.

The Honorable J. K. Merritt moved, That the Council insist on Amendment 8.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, moved as an amendment, That all the words after "the" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "consideration of this amendment be postponed until this day fortnight."

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, as an amendment, that the following words be added to the question "and inform the Assembly that the Council consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, and is therefore a Bill which the Council have a right to amend."

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Council insist on Amendment 8 and inform the Assembly that the Council consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, and is therefore a Bill which the Council have a right to amend—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the Council insist on Amendments 9 to 16 inclusive, and inform the Assembly that the Council consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, and is therefore a Bill which the Council have a right to amend.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council do not insist on their amendment in clause 5 of such Bill disagreed with by the Assembly, and insist on their amendments in clause 9 as they consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915 and is therefore a Bill which the Council have a right to amend.

18. 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.

19. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD 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 having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

- 1. Clause 4, line 16, omit "and Fourth Schedules" and insert "Fourth and Eighth Schedules."
- 2. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), line 28, omit "and III."
- 3. Clause 5, sub-clause (2), at the end of the sub-clause insert "upon the public highway aforesaid which for so much of its length as is traversed by the said second roadway shall be three chains in width."
- 4. Clause 6, paragraph (d), line 14, omit "and Fourth Schedules" and insert "Fourth and Eighth Schedules."
- 10. Clause 11, sub-clause (2), lines 30-31, omit "and Fourth Schedules" and insert "Fourth and Eighth Schedules."
- 11. First Schedule, pages 9-10, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Portions of land vested in The Victorian Railways Commissioners to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land containing an area of two acres seven perches and six-tenths of a perch more or less being part of Allotment One of Section ninety-eight in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension which bears south sixty-two degrees thirty-six minutes west one thousand four hundred and twenty-three feet four inches from the intersection of the northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension with the western boundary of Spencer-street, thence by part of the aforesaid northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with.

for one hundred and twenty-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty-two degrees thirty-six minutes west, thence by part of the said Allotment One for twenty-one feet four inches by the convex arc of a curve of a radius of twelve feet the chord of which bears north eleven degrees thirty-seven minutes east for seven hundred and eighty-four feet two inches in a straight line bearing north thirty-nine degrees twenty-two minutes west for thirty-seven feet ten inches by the convex arc of a curve of a radius of nine hundred and fifty-six feet the chord of which bears north forty degrees thirty minutes west to a point on the eastern boundary of Blyth-street, thence by the said eastern boundary of Blyth-street for one hundred and thirty-nine feet eight inches in a straight line bearing north thirty-seven minutes east, thence by other part of the said Allotment One for one hundred and forty-five feet three inches by the concave arc of a curve of a radius of one thousand and fifty-five feet the chord of which bears south forty-three degrees nineteen minutes east, thence in straight lines for eight hundred and two feet seven inches bearing south thirty-nine degrees twenty-two minutes east, seven feet bearing south fifty-three degrees ten minutes east, six feet eleven inches bearing south sixty-two degrees and forty-seven minutes east, and for six feet nine inches bearing south sixty-eight degrees forty-four minutes east to the point of commencement.

How dealt
with by the
Legislative
Assembly.

PART II.

All that piece of land containing an area of three perches more or less being part of Allotment B, in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, and being the whole of the land more particularly described in Certificate of Title, Volume 5205, Folio 1040823, bounded as follows :—Commencing at the north-eastern corner of the said Allotment B, thence by part of the eastern boundary thereof for thirty-eight feet four inches in a straight line bearing south six minutes and thirty seconds west, thence by part of the said Allotment B for fifty-six feet nine inches in a straight line bearing north forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes west to a point on the northern boundary thereof, thence by part of the said northern boundary for forty-one feet ten inches in a straight line bearing south eighty-nine degrees fifty-three minutes and thirty seconds east to the point of commencement.

PART III.

All that piece of land containing an area of thirty-two perches and eight-tenths of a perch more or less being part of Allotment A in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, and being part of the land more particularly described in Certificate of Title, Volume 493, Folio 98419, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the southern boundary of the said Allotment A distant one hundred and forty-eight feet and bearing north eighty-four degrees fifty-two minutes west from the most southerly corner thereof, thence by other part of the said southern boundary of the said Allotment A for sixteen feet four inches in a straight line bearing north eighty-four degrees fifty-two minutes west, thence by other boundaries of the said Allotment A in straight line for one hundred and sixty-three feet bearing north sixty-three degrees five minutes west and for one hundred and fifty-two feet seven inches and one-half of an inch bearing north twenty-six degrees forty-one minutes west, thence by part of the said Allotment A for three hundred and twelve feet eight inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes east to the point of commencement.

Disagreed with.

PART IV.

All that piece of land containing an area of fourteen acres one rood and nineteen perches more or less being part of Allotment Two of Section Seventy-three B in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, and parts of Allotments Six and Seven of Section A in the City of Melbourne, Parish of Doutta Galla, County of Bourke, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the northern boundary of Dudley-street bearing north fifty-seven degrees four minutes east four thousand one hundred and seventy-eight feet seven inches from the southernmost angle of the said Allotment Seven, bounded thence by a line bearing north sixty-one degrees west seven hundred feet, thence north-westerly one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five feet three inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies three thousand nine hundred and one feet six inches south-westerly and with chord bearing north seventy-five degrees thirty minutes west one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four feet three inches, thence by lines bearing west three hundred and eighty feet ten inches north one degree five minutes east one hundred and ninety-eight feet and east three hundred and seventy-seven feet one inch, thence south-easterly two thousand and seventy-five feet six inches in an arc of a circle whose centre lies four thousand and ninety-nine feet six inches south-westerly and with chord bearing south seventy-five degrees thirty minutes east two thousand and fifty-three feet five inches, thence by a line bearing south sixty-one degrees east seven hundred and forty-five feet six inches, thence easterly one hundred and eight feet in an arc of a circle whose radius lies one hundred feet northerly and with chord bearing north eighty-eight degrees two minutes east one hundred and two feet eleven inches, and thence by the north side of Dudley-street bearing south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west two hundred and eighty-four feet five inches to the point of commencement.

12. Second Schedule, pages 11-12, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Portions of land vested in The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land containing an area of five acres one rood and thirty-six perches situated in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, bounded as follows:—Commencing at a point on the southern boundary of Dudley-street distant two hundred and ninety-nine feet and three-quarters of an inch south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west from the north-western corner of Allotment One of Section ninety-eight, thence for one hundred and three feet by the convex arc of a curve of fifty feet radius the chord of which bears south one degree fifty-eight minutes east thence for three hundred and one feet two inches and three-quarters of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty degrees fifty nine minutes and thirty seconds east, thence for eighty-two feet four inches in a straight line bearing south thirty-four degrees twenty-six minutes east, thence for one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three feet two inches in a straight line bearing south twenty-six degrees twenty-seven minutes and thirty seconds east, thence for four hundred and twenty-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes east to the Melbourne Harbor Trust boundary, thence by portion of that boundary for one hundred and fifty-two feet seven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south twenty-six degrees forty-one minutes east for one hundred and thirty-nine feet nine inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty-three degrees five minutes east and for seventy-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south six minutes and thirty seconds west to the north-east corner of Allotment B of the said parish, thence further by the Melbourne Harbor Trust boundary for forty-two feet one inch in a straight line bearing north eighty-nine degrees fifty-three minutes and thirty seconds west, thence for six hundred and fifty-five feet one inch in a straight line bearing north forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes west, thence for one thousand nine hundred and forty feet two inches in a straight line bearing north twenty-six degrees twenty seven minutes and thirty seconds west, thence for four hundred and seventy-nine feet one inch in a straight line bearing north sixty degrees fifty-nine minutes and thirty seconds west to the southern boundary of Dudley-street, thence for one hundred and ninety-five feet five inches and one-quarter of an inch by part of that southern boundary in a straight line bearing north fifty-seven degrees four minutes east to the point of commencement.

PART II.

All that piece of land in the Parish of Doutta Galla, containing eight acres two roods twenty-three perches:—Commencing at the south-west angle of Section Eighteen; bounded thence by lines bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east thirty-six feet seven inches, south thirteen degrees fourteen minutes west ninety-nine feet, south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east three hundred and twenty-seven feet two inches, north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east three hundred and twenty-eight feet one inch, east one thousand two hundred and thirty-one feet two inches south seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes east one hundred and thirty-three feet two inches, south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east four hundred and twenty-seven feet nine inches, and west one thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight feet five inches, thence westerly two hundred and twenty-nine feet two inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies one thousand feet northerly and with chord bearing north eighty-three degrees twenty-six minutes west two hundred and twenty-eight feet nine inches, thence by lines bearing north seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes west five hundred and seventeen feet seven inches, north thirteen degrees eight minutes east one hundred and ninety-eight feet and south seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes east sixty feet nine inches, and thence by the western boundary of Section Eighteen bearing south thirteen degrees west forty-nine feet one inch to the point of commencement.

13. Third Schedule, page 12, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule:—

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of an area reserved temporarily for public purposes by Order in Council of the 14th day of January, 1879, to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land being part of a reserve known as the West Melbourne Swamp, situate in the City of Melbourne, in the Parish of Doutta Galla, in the County of Bourke, containing twenty-two acres and three perches, bounded as follows:—Commencing at a point bearing south one degree five minutes west one thousand six hundred and sixty-six feet two inches from the north-west angle of allotment six, Section A, bounded thence by lines bearing south one degree five minutes west one hundred and ninety-eight feet, west four thousand six hundred and forty-eight feet eight inches, north fifty degrees twenty-five minutes west fifty feet five inches, north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west four hundred and thirteen feet two inches, and thence east five thousand and sixty-nine feet eight inches to the point of commencement.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with.

PART II.

Commencing at the south-west angle of Section eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla, County of Bourke, containing one rood and twenty-eight perches, bounded thence by lines bearing north thirteen degrees east forty-nine feet one inch, south seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes east four hundred and seventeen feet six inches, south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west ninety-five feet six inches, and thence north seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes west three hundred and thirty-five inches to the point of commencement.

14. Fourth Schedule, pages 12-13, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of the Footscray-road to form part of the new road.

PART I.

All that piece of land being part of a Government road known as the Footscray-road situated in the Parish of Doutta Galla, containing one acre and twenty-one perches:—Commencing at a point bearing north fifty degrees twenty-five minutes west four thousand three hundred and fifty-nine feet three inches from the south-west angle of allotment six section A, bounded thence by lines bearing west two hundred and twelve feet two inches, north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west four hundred and twenty-seven feet nine inches north seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes west one hundred and thirty-three feet two inches, east three hundred and seventeen feet three inches, south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east four hundred and thirteen feet two inches, and thence south fifty degrees twenty-five minutes east fifty feet five inches to the point of commencement.

PART II.

Commencing at a point bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east thirty-six feet seven inches from the south-west angle of Section eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla, containing one acre twenty-seven perches; bounded thence by lines bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east two hundred and ninety-nine feet three inches, north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east ninety-five feet six inches south seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes east thirty-nine feet four inches, easterly one hundred and eighty-three feet ten inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies eight hundred and two feet northerly and with chord bearing south eighty-three degrees twenty-six minutes east one hundred and eighty-three feet five inches and thence by lines bearing south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west three hundred and twenty-eight feet one inch, north seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes west three hundred and twenty-seven feet two inches, and north thirteen degrees fourteen minutes east ninety-nine feet to the point of commencement.

15. Fifth Schedule, pages 13-14, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

FIFTH SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of Footscray-road to be closed.

PART I.

Commencing at a point bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east three hundred and thirty-five feet ten inches and north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east ninety-five feet six inches from the south-west angle of Section eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla, containing three acres two roods fourteen perches, bounded thence by lines bearing north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east five hundred and eighteen feet eight inches north eighty-nine degrees twenty-nine minutes east four hundred and eighty-eight feet four inches, south seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes east six hundred and forty-nine feet south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east one hundred and seventy-one feet west three hundred and seventeen feet three inches north seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes west four hundred and ninety-four feet ten inches south eighty-nine degrees twenty-nine minutes west four hundred and sixty-two feet seven inches south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west two hundred and ninety-eight feet six inches, west four feet eleven inches, westerly one hundred and eighty-three feet ten inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies eight hundred and two feet northerly, and with chord bearing north eighty-three degrees twenty-six minutes west one hundred and eighty-three feet five inches and thence north seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes west thirty-nine feet four inches to the point of commencement.

PART II.

Commencing at the most southerly angle of allotment six, Section A, Parish of Doutta Galla, containing eleven acres two roods thirty-eight perches, being the junction of Dudley-street and the Footscray-road, bounded thence by lines bearing south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west one hundred and twenty-four feet one inch, north seventy degrees two minutes west four hundred and sixty-six feet north fifty degrees twenty-five minutes west four thousand six hundred and thirty-nine feet eight inches north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west one hundred and thirty-two feet, east two hundred and twelve feet two inches, south fifty degrees twenty-five minutes east four thousand five hundred and eighty-six feet, and thence south seventy degrees two minutes east five hundred and twenty-three feet ten inches to the point of commencement.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Disagreed with.

16. Sixth Schedule, page 14, omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

SIXTH SCHEDULE.

Portion of land vested in The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners to be vested in the Crown.

All that piece of land containing an area of one acre three roods eighteen perches more or less situated in the City of Melbourne, Parish of Doutta Galla, County of Bourke :—Commencing at a point bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east thirty-six feet seven inches, south thirteen degrees fourteen minutes west ninety-nine feet south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east three hundred and twenty-seven feet two inches and north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east three hundred and twenty-eight feet one inch from the south-west angle of section eighteen ; bounded thence by lines bearing north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east two hundred and ninety-eight feet six inches north eighty-nine degrees twenty-nine minutes east four hundred and sixty-two feet seven inches south seventy-eight degrees thirty-sever minutes east four hundred and ninety-four feet ten inches and thence west one thousand two hundred and thirty-one feet two inches to the point of commencement.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

17. Seventh Schedule, page 15, at the end of the Schedule insert the following new Schedule :—

EIGHTH SCHEDULE.

Portion of Blyth-street to form part of the New Road.

All that piece of land being part of a street known as Blyth-street situated in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, and bounded as follows :—Commencing at the north-eastern corner of Allotment B, in the City of Melbourne, thence by that allotment south six and one-half minutes west thirty-eight feet four inches, ninety-six feet ten inches in an arc of a circle whose radius is nine hundred and fifty-six feet and whose chord bears south forty-five degrees twenty-nine minutes east for ninety-six feet two and one-half inches, thence north thirty-seven minutes east one hundred and thirty-nine feet eight inches by the eastern boundary of Blyth-street, thence two feet eight inches in an arc of a circle whose radius is one thousand and fifty-five feet and whose chord bears north forty-seven degrees nineteen and one-half minutes west for two feet eight inches; thence by a line north forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes west forty-one feet three inches by Allotment A north eighty-four degrees fifty-two minutes west sixteen feet four inches and north sixty-three degrees five minutes west twenty-three feet two and one-half inches, thence by a line south six and one-half minutes west seventy-three feet eleven and one-half inches to the point of commencement.

Disagreed with.

- 18. Preamble, page 1, line 14, after "Footscray-road" insert "And whereas the land described in the Eighth Schedule to this Act forms part of a public highway known as Blyth-street."
- 19. Preamble, page 1, line 16, omit "and Fourth Schedules" and insert "Fourth and Eighth Schedules."
- 20. Preamble, page 2, line 7, after "Second Schedule" insert "and in the Eighth Schedule."
- 21. Preamble, page 2, line 14, omit "and Fourth Schedules" and insert "Fourth and Eighth Schedules."
- 22. Preamble, page 2, line 24, omit "Parts II. and III." and insert "Part II."

Amendments 1 and 2 insisted on.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council insist on Amendment 3 with the following amendment :—Omit "three" and insert "two."

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "Amendment 3" be omitted from the question.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and negatived.

Question—That the Council insist on Amendment 3—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 4, 10, 11, and 12 insisted on.

Amendment 13 insisted on with the following amendment :—In the last line of the Schedule before "inches" insert "feet ten."

Amendments 14 to 22 inclusive insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, but have amended one of such amendments and desiring their concurrence therein.

20. TOTALIZATOR BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the debate be adjourned until Friday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be adjourned until Friday next—put and negatived.

Debate on the main question continued.

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

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
F. W. Brawn,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
T. H. Payne,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. H. Smith,
E. J. White.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
W. P. Crockett.

And so it passed in the negative.

21. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (CONTRIBUTIONS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for Contributions by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to certain Municipalities and for expenditure by the Board in connexion with the Maintenance of certain Roads and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, and

Municipal Endowment Bill—Second reading,
Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Borrowing Powers) Bill—Second reading,
Metropolitan Milk Supply Bill—Second reading,
Registrar-General's Fees Bill—Second reading,
Swine Sales Bill—Second reading,

be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 35.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1927.

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

2. FORESTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Message from His Excellency the Governor, pursuant to the provisions of section XXXVI. of The Constitution Act, recommending the following amendment which he desires to be made in this Bill, and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to such amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein :—

In Clause 15, sub-section (1), after “constructed or purchased” omit all words to the end of the sub-section and insert :—

“; and at the end of the said paragraph (e) there shall be inserted the following proviso :—

‘Provided that any proposed construction or purchase of tramways or other works as aforesaid where the estimated cost of completing the same exceeds the sum of Twenty thousand pounds shall be first referred by the Minister to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report to the Minister and shall not be carried out unless recommended by the said Committee, and the said Committee may for the purposes of this proviso exercise the like powers as are conferred upon it by sections seventeen and eighteen of the *Railways Standing Committee Act 1915.*’”

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

3. **MEDICAL (DENTISTS) 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 W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolutions :—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 4, sub-clause (1), lines 25–6, omit “ Three pounds three shillings ” and insert “ Two pounds two shillings.”

Clause 4, sub-clause (5), omit this sub-clause.

and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 resolutions.

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

4. **COMMONWEALTH AND STATES FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the States of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania concerning the Adjustment of the Financial Relations of the Commonwealth and the said States, and to amend certain Acts, and for other purposes,* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.

5. **STAMPS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Payment of additional Stamp Duty on Bills of Exchange payable on Demand* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **PAPER.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Amalgamated Freezing Company (Victoria) Proprietary Limited—Second (Final) Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Origin, Promotion and Management of the Amalgamated Freezing Company (Victoria) Proprietary Limited.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

7. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Coburg and Somerton Railway Bill.

Poisons Bill.

Victorian Government Stock Bill.

Business Names Bill.

State Savings Bank Bill.

Income Tax Acts Amendment Bill.

Apprenticeship Bill.

Poor Persons Legal Assistance Bill.

8. **SWINE (SALES) 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **CULTIVATION 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT 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 W. H. Edgar 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. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (BORROWING POWERS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.

12. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the debate be adjourned until Friday next.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, as an amendment, That the words "Friday next" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the word "to-morrow."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
W. P. Crockett.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the word "to-morrow" proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 7, be postponed until after No. 8.

14. **METROPOLITAN MILK SUPPLY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
G. L. Goudie.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.

- 15. COMMONWEALTH AND STATES FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
- 16. HARBOR BOARDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable A. M. Zwar, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
- 17. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar 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.
- 18. METROPOLITAN MILK SUPPLY 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.
 The Honorable W. Angliss moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion, That the debate be now adjourned, by leave, withdrawn.
 Debate on the main question continued.
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
 The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.
 The Hon. W. J. Békett,
 J. P. Jones,
 D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.
 The Hon. J. H. Disney,
 R. Williams.

Noes, 13.
 The Hon. W. Angliss,
 T. Beggs,
 A. Bell,
 A. E. Chandler,
 H. I. Cohen,
 G. M. Davis,
 W. H. Edgar,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 M. McGregor,
 H. H. Smith,
 G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.
 The Hon. J. K. Merritt,
 H. F. Richardson.

And so it passed in the negative.

- 19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 and 11, and *Stamps Bill—Second reading*, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 36.

THURSDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1927.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Forests Commission of Victoria—Eighth Annual Report, Financial Year 1926–27.

3. STAMPS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 22.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
M. Saltau.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. COMMONWEALTH AND STATES FINANCIAL AGREEMENT 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 W. H. Edgar 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. DRIED FRUITS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Dried Fruits Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. NOWINGI TO MILLEWA SOUTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Nowingi to Millewa South*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize Councils of Municipalities to borrow Money by the Issue of Debentures for the purpose of defraying the Cost and Expenses of Works under Section Five hundred and thirty-four of the 'Local Government Act 1915'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend Section Four of the 'Motor Omnibus Act 1924'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. PAPER.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Hospitals and other Philanthropic Institutions and Organizations—Notes and Recommendations by the Inspector of Charities (Victoria) based on Investigations made in New Zealand, Canada, the United States of America, and the British Isles.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

10. **HARBOR BOARDS 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
11. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—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.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Closer Settlement Act 1915 and Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts—Report of the Closer Settlement Board for the period from 1st January, 1926, to 30th June, 1927.
Forests Commission of Victoria—Eighth Annual Report, Financial Year 1926-27 (in substitution for Paper laid on the Table earlier this day).
Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Balance-sheet for the year 1926.
13. **REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
14. **VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
15. **MOTOR OMNIBUSES (URBAN AND COUNTRY) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision with respect to Motor Omnibuses operating mainly in Urban and Country Districts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (CONTRIBUTIONS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
17. **MOTOR OMNIBUS 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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 (BORROWING POWERS) 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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 8 inclusive, and
Dried Fruits Bill—Second reading,
Nowingi to Millewa South Railway Construction Bill—Second reading,
Railway Loan Application Bill—Second reading,
Motor Omnibuses (Urban and Country) Bill—Second reading,
Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill—Second reading,
 be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council at Twelve o'clock adjourned until to-morrow.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
 Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 37.

FRIDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1927.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have considered the Message of the Council suggesting on the consideration of the Bill in Committee that the Assembly make certain amendments in such Bill, and have made the suggested amendments.
 Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Bill.
3. 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 W. H. Edgar 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. VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to Validate the Appointment of William Montgomery Shannon as a Victorian Railways Commissioner and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BOARD BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Chairman of the Railways Classification Board*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. FIRE BRIGADES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board to borrow a further sum not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Commission Payable to Municipalities under the Country Roads Acts and to Hoardings and Advertisements on or in the Vicinity of State Highways*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Temporary Suspension of Payments in pursuance of certain obligations in the case of certain Persons affected by Conditions arising from Drought or Frost in the Mallee Country and certain other parts of Victoria, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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. STAMPS BILL (No. 2).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled: “ *An Act to provide for Payment of Stamp Duty in respect of certain Transactions relating to Shares and Stock and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, 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. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
- 12. MOTOR OMNIBUSES (URBAN AND COUNTRY) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned. Debate ensued. Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put. The Council divided.

Ayes, 6.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 H. H. Smith,
 A. M. Zwar.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
 A. Bell,
 F. W. Brawn,
 A. E. Chandler,
 H. I. Cohen,
 G. M. Davis,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones,
 H. Keck,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 M. McGregor,
 D. L. McNamara,
 J. K. Merritt,
 H. F. Richardson,
 M. Saltau,
 W. Tyner,
 R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
 T. H. Payne.

And so it passed in the negative.
 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 W. H. Edgar 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.

- 13. NOWINGI TO MILLEWA SOUTH RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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. DRIED FRUITS 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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.

15. THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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. HARBOR BOARDS BILL.—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 this Bill.
17. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (CONTRIBUTIONS) BILL.—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 this Bill.
18. VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett 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 R. H. S. Abbott having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was, after debate, 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. MOTOR OMNIBUSES (URBAN AND COUNTRY) 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 W. H. Edgar 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.
21. STAMPS (BILLS OF EXCHANGE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Payment of Additional Stamp Duty on certain Bills of Exchange*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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.
22. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they decline to entertain the amendments made in such Bill by the Council as they are a direct infringement of the privileges of the Assembly in that they propose to make an alteration in a taxation Bill.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

And the said amendments were read and are as follows :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by
the legislative Assembly.

1. Insert the following new clause :—

A. This Act shall continue in operation until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight and no longer.

2. Third Schedule, clause E, page 11, paragraph (l), sub-paragraph (i), after “stock, a fee of” omit “Seven shillings and sixpence” and insert “Five shillings.”

Not entertained.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendments in this Bill.
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 later this day.

And the Council having continued to sit until after Twelve of the clock—

SATURDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1927.

23. MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they do not insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council in such Bill, do not insist on disagreeing

with the amendment in sub-clause (2) of clause 5 but have made an amendment therein, and insist on disagreeing with others of the said amendments but have made amendments in the Bill, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

[For these amendments see pages 75 to 79. The following statement shows how the amendments, still in dispute, were dealt with :—

Amendment 3.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement not insisted on and amendment agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment :—Omit “ three ” and insert “ two and a half.”

Amendment 11.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement insisted on but the following amendment made by Assembly in the Bill :—Omit the First Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Portions of land vested in The Victorian Railways Commissioners to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land containing an area of two acres seven perches and six-tenths of a perch more or less being part of Allotment One of Section Ninety-eight in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension which bears south sixty-two degrees thirty-six minutes west one thousand four hundred and twenty-three feet four inches from the intersection of the northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension with the western boundary of Spencer-street, thence by part of the aforesaid northern boundary of Flinders-street Extension for one hundred and twenty-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty-two degrees thirty-six minutes west, thence by part of the said Allotment One for twenty-one feet four inches by the convex arc of a curve of a radius of twelve feet the chord of which bears north eleven degrees thirty-seven minutes east for seven hundred and eighty-four feet two inches in a straight line bearing north thirty-nine degrees twenty-two minutes west for thirty-seven feet ten inches by the convex arc of a curve of a radius of nine hundred and fifty-six feet the chord of which bears north forty degrees thirty minutes west to a point on the eastern boundary of Blyth-street, thence by the said eastern boundary of Blyth-street for one hundred and thirty-nine feet eight inches in a straight line bearing north thirty-seven minutes east, thence by other part of the said Allotment One for one hundred and forty-five feet three inches by the concave arc of a curve of a radius of one thousand and fifty-five feet the chord of which bears south forty-three degrees nineteen minutes east, thence in straight lines for eight hundred and two feet seven inches bearing south thirty-nine degrees twenty-two minutes east, seven feet bearing south fifty-three degrees ten minutes east, six feet eleven inches bearing south sixty-two degrees and forty-seven minutes east, and for six feet nine inches bearing south sixty-eight degrees forty-four minutes east to the point of commencement.

PART II.

All that piece of land containing an area of three perches more or less being part of Allotment B, in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, and being the whole of the land more particularly described in Certificate of Title, Volume 5205, Folio 1040823, bounded as follows :—Commencing at the north-eastern corner of the said Allotment B, thence by part of the eastern boundary thereof for thirty-eight feet four inches in a straight line bearing south six minutes and thirty-seconds west, thence by part of the said Allotment B for fifty-six feet nine inches in a straight line bearing north forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes west to a point on the northern boundary thereof, thence by part of the said northern boundary for forty-one feet ten inches in a straight line bearing south eighty-nine degrees fifty-three minutes and thirty seconds east to the point of commencement.

PART III.

All that piece of land containing an area of thirty-two perches and eight-tenths of a perch more or less being part of Allotment A in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, and being part of the land more particularly described in Certificate of Title, Volume 493, Folio 98419, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the southern boundary of the said Allotment A distant one hundred and forty-eight feet and bearing north eighty-four degrees fifty-two minutes west from the most southerly corner thereof, thence by other part of the said southern boundary of the said Allotment A for sixteen feet four inches in a straight line bearing north eighty-four degrees fifty-two minutes west, thence by other boundaries of the said Allotment A in straight line for one hundred and sixty-three feet bearing north sixty-three degrees five minutes west and for one hundred and fifty-two feet seven inches and one-half of an inch bearing north twenty-six degrees forty-one minutes west, thence by part of the said Allotment A for three hundred and twelve feet eight inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes east to the point of commencement.

PART IV.

All that piece of land containing an area of eleven acres three roods and twenty-five perches more or less being part of Allotment Two of Section Seventy-three B in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, and parts of Allotments Six and Seven of Section A in the City of

Melbourne, Parish of Dousta Galla, County of Bourke, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the northern boundary of Dudley-street bearing north fifty-seven degrees four minutes east four thousand one hundred and seventy-eight feet seven inches from the southern-most angle of the said Allotment Seven, bounded thence by a line bearing north sixty-one degrees west seven hundred and sixty-eight feet one inch, thence north-westerly one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five feet three inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies three thousand nine hundred and one feet five inches south-westerly and with chord bearing north seventy-five degrees thirty minutes west one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four feet three inches, thence west three hundred and twelve feet, thence north one degree five minutes east one hundred and sixty-five feet, thence east three hundred and nine feet, thence south-easterly two thousand and fifty-eight feet ten inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies four thousand and sixty-six feet five inches south-westerly and with chord bearing south seventy-five degrees thirty minutes east two thousand and thirty-six feet eleven inches, thence south sixty-one degrees east seven hundred and ninety-six feet, thence easterly one hundred and eight feet in an arc of a circle whose radius lies one hundred feet northerly and with chord bearing north eighty-eight degrees two minutes east one hundred and two feet eleven inches, and thence by the north side of Dudley-street bearing south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west two hundred and forty-seven feet to the point of commencement.

Amendment 12.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement insisted on but the following amendment made by Assembly in the Bill :—Omit the Second Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Portions of land vested in The Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land containing an area of five acres one rood and thirty-six perches situated in the City of Melbourne, Parish of North Melbourne, County of Bourke, bounded as follows :—Commencing at a point on the southern boundary of Dudley-street distant two hundred and ninety-nine feet and three-quarters of an inch south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west from the north-western corner of Allotment One of Section Ninety-eight, thence for one hundred and three feet by the convex arc of a curve of fifty feet radius the chord of which bears south one degree fifty-eight minutes east thence for three hundred and one feet two inches and three-quarters of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty degrees fifty-nine minutes and thirty seconds east, thence for eighty-two feet four inches in a straight line bearing south thirty-four degrees twenty-six minutes east, thence for one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three feet two inches in a straight line bearing south twenty-six degrees twenty-seven minutes and thirty seconds east, thence for four hundred and twenty-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes east to the Melbourne Harbor Trust boundary, thence by portion of that boundary for one hundred and fifty-two feet seven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south twenty-six degrees forty-one minutes east for one hundred and thirty-nine feet nine inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south sixty-three degrees five minutes east and for seventy-three feet eleven inches and one-half of an inch in a straight line bearing south six minutes and thirty seconds west to the north-east corner of Allotment B of the said parish, thence further by the Melbourne Harbor Trust boundary for forty-two feet one inch in a straight line bearing north eighty-nine degrees fifty-three minutes and thirty seconds west, thence for six hundred and fifty-five feet one inch in a straight line bearing north forty-seven degrees twenty-four minutes west, thence for one thousand nine hundred and forty feet two inches in a straight line bearing north twenty-six degrees twenty-seven minutes and thirty seconds west, thence for four hundred and seventy-nine feet one inch in a straight line bearing north sixty degrees fifty-nine minutes and thirty seconds west to the southern boundary of Dudley-street, thence for one hundred and ninety-five feet five inches and one-quarter of an inch by part of that southern boundary in a straight line bearing north fifty-seven degrees four minutes east to the point of commencement.

PART II.

All that piece of land in the Parish of Dousta Galla, containing six acres three roods thirty-six perches :—Commencing at the south-west angle of Section Eighteen ; bounded thence by lines bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east thirty-six feet seven inches, south thirteen degrees fourteen minutes west ninety-nine feet, south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east three hundred and twenty-seven feet two inches, north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east three hundred and twenty-eight feet one inch, east one thousand two hundred and thirty-one feet two inches south seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes east one hundred and thirty-three feet two inches, south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east three hundred and forty-five feet six inches, and west one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one feet eleven inches, thence westerly two hundred and twenty-nine feet two inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies one thousand feet northerly and with chord bearing north eighty-three degrees twenty-six minutes west two hundred and twenty-eight feet nine inches, thence by lines bearing north seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes west four hundred and

forty-three feet two inches, north thirteen degrees eight minutes east one hundred and sixty-five feet and south seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes east sixty feet ten inches, and thence by the western boundary of Section Eighteen bearing south thirteen degrees west thirty-two feet seven inches to the point of commencement.

Amendment 13.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council with the following amendment:—In the last line of the Schedule before “inches” insert “feet ten.”—Disagreement insisted on but the following amendment made by Assembly in the Bill:—Omit the Third Schedule and insert the following new Schedule:—

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of an area reserved temporarily for public purposes by Order in Council of the 14th day of January, 1879, to be declared a public highway.

PART I.

All that piece of land being part of a reserve known as the West Melbourne Swamp, situate in the City of Melbourne, in the Parish of Doutta Galla, in the County of Bourke, containing eighteen acres one rood and thirty-seven perches, bounded as follows:—Commencing at a point bearing south one degree five minutes west one thousand six hundred and sixty-six feet two inches from the north-west angle of allotment six, Section A, bounded thence by lines bearing south one degree five minutes, west one hundred and sixty-five feet, west four thousand six hundred and eighty-nine feet six inches, north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west four hundred and eleven feet, and thence east five thousand and sixty-nine feet eight inches to the point of commencement.

PART II.

Commencing at the south-west angle of Section Eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla, County of Bourke, containing two roods and eight perches, bounded thence by lines bearing north thirteen degrees east thirty-two feet seven inches, south seventy-six degrees fifty-two minutes, east three hundred and eighty-two feet three inches thence south-easterly eight feet five inches in an arc of a circle whose radius lies eight hundred and thirty-five feet north-easterly and with chord bearing south seventy-seven degrees eight minutes east eight feet three inches, thence south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west sixty-three feet ten inches, and thence north seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes west three hundred and thirty-five feet ten inches to the point of commencement.

Amendment 14.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement insisted on but the following amendment made by Assembly in the Bill:—Omit the Fourth Schedule and insert the following new Schedule:—

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of the Footscray-road to form part of the new road.

PART I.

All that piece of land being part of a Government road known as the Footscray-road, situated in the Parish of Doutta Galla, containing three roods and thirty-three perches:—Commencing at a point bearing north fifty degrees twenty-five minutes west four thousand four hundred and nine feet eight inches and north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west two feet two inches from the south-west angle of Allotment Six, Section A, bounded thence by lines bearing west two hundred and forty-six feet eight inches, north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west three hundred and forty-five feet six inches north seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes west one hundred and thirty-three feet two inches, east three hundred and seventeen feet three inches, and south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east four hundred and eleven feet to the point of commencement.

PART II.

Commencing at a point bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east thirty-six feet seven inches from the south-west angle of Section Eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla, containing one acre and twenty perches; bounded thence by lines bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east two hundred and ninety-nine feet three inches, north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east sixty-three feet ten inches, easterly one hundred and eighty-three feet in an arc of a circle whose radius lies eight hundred and thirty-five feet northerly and with chord bearing south eighty-three degrees forty-three minutes east one hundred and eighty-two feet nine inches, thence east seventy-three feet nine inches, thence by lines bearing south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west three hundred and twenty-eight feet one inch, north seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes west three hundred and twenty-seven feet two inches, and north thirteen degrees fourteen minutes east ninety-nine feet to the point of commencement.

Amendment 15.—Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement insisted on but the following amendment made by Assembly in the Bill:—Omit the Fifth Schedule and insert the following new Schedule:—

FIFTH SCHEDULE.

Land at West Melbourne being portions of Footscray-road to be closed.

PART I.

Commencing at a point bearing south seventy-six degrees forty-six minutes east three hundred and thirty-five feet ten inches and north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east sixty-three feet ten inches from the south-west angle of Section Eighteen, Parish of Doutta Galla,

containing three acres two roods twenty perches, bounded thence by lines bearing north seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes east five hundred and fifty feet four inches north eighty-nine degrees twenty-nine minutes east four hundred and eighty-eight feet four inches, south seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes east six hundred and forty-nine feet, south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east one hundred and seventy-one feet west three hundred and seventeen feet three inches north seventy-eight degrees thirty-seven minutes west four hundred and ninety-four feet ten inches south eighty-nine degrees twenty-nine minutes west four hundred and sixty-two feet seven inches south seventy-one degrees forty-five minutes west two hundred and ninety-eight feet six inches, west seventy-three feet nine inches, and thence westerly one hundred and eighty-three feet in an arc of a circle whose radius lies eight hundred and thirty-five feet northerly and with chord bearing north eighty-three degrees forty-three minutes west one hundred and eighty-two feet nine inches to the point of commencement.

PART II.

Commencing at the most southerly angle of Allotment Six, Section A, Parish of Dousta Galla containing eleven acres three roods twenty-six perches, being the junction of Dudley-street and the Footscray-road, bounded thence by lines bearing south fifty-seven degrees four minutes west one hundred and twenty-four feet one inch, north seventy degrees two minutes west four hundred and sixty-six feet north fifty degrees twenty-five minutes west four thousand six hundred and thirty-nine feet eight inches north sixty-six degrees twenty minutes west two hundred and fourteen feet three inches, east two hundred and forty-six feet eight inches, south sixty-six degrees twenty minutes east two feet two inches, south fifty degrees twenty-five minutes east four thousand six hundred and thirty-six feet five inches, and thence south seventy degrees two minutes east five hundred and twenty-three feet ten inches to the point of commencement].

Amendment 3.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly on this amendment of the Council.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "Council" be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "disagree with the amendment made by the Assembly on this amendment of the Council but make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 5, sub-clause 2, omit 'ninety-nine' and insert 'sixty-six.'

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
M. Saltau.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. E. Chandler,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly on this amendment of the Council—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 not now insisted on and amendments made by the Assembly in the Bill agreed to.

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 sub-clause (2) of clause 5, do not now insist on their amendments with which the Assembly insist on disagreeing, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in the Bill.

24. RAILWAYS CLASSIFICATION BOARD 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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. FIRE BRIGADES 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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. COUNTRY ROADS 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 R. H. S. Abbott 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.

27. POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENTS 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
G. J. Tuckett,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
H. H. Smith.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectively Eleven or equal, the Deputy-President gave his voice with the "Ayes" and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.—Bill 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.

28. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the Deputy-President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council, with an amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of new clause A.

House in Committee.

The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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, including the amendments made by the Assembly, which were suggested by the Council, with an amendment and desiring their concurrence therein.

29. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly still do not admit the right of the Council to make the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, which, therefore, cannot be entertained.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.		How dealt with.
8.	Clause 9, sub-clause (1), line 18, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
9.	" sub-clause (1), lines 29-30, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
10.	" page 8, line 2, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
11.	" page 8, lines 14-15, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
12.	" page 8, line 33, after "and" insert "a fruit or vegetable market under the control of the council of the city of Melbourne, the council of the city of Geelong or the council of any municipality or".	} Not entertained by Assembly. —Insisted on by Council. —Still not entertained by Assembly.
13.	" page 9, line 4, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
14.	" page 9, lines 7-8, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
15.	" page 9, line 12, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act".	
16.	" page 9, lines 15-16, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."	

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do not now insist on their amendments in clause 9 of this Bill.

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 later this day.

30. STAMPS BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
G. M. Davis,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

And so it passed in the negative.

31. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly still do not admit the right of the Council to make the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, which, therefore, cannot be entertained, having been read—

Debate resumed on question, That the Council do not now insist on their amendments in clause 9 of this Bill.

The Deputy President said—

Since the matter was adjourned I have not been able to leave the chair, and have therefore not had an opportunity of looking further into the question, but I had previously considered the point, and, in my opinion; the Bill is one which, under sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, the Council has a right to amend.

Question—That the Council do not now insist on their amendments in clause 9 of this Bill—put and negatived—Amendments still insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council still insist on their amendments in clause 9 of such Bill.

32. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they decline to entertain the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, as they are a direct infringement of the privileges of the Assembly in that they propose to make an alteration in a taxation Bill, having been read—

Debate resumed on question, That the Council do not insist on their amendments in this Bill.

Question—put and negatived.—Amendments insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendments in such Bill.

33. FACTORIES AND SHOPS 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of a proposed new clause.

House in Committee.

The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.

34. STAMPS (BILLS OF EXCHANGE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
A. M. Zwar.

And so it passed in the negative.

35. WORKERS' COMPENSATION BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Workers' Compensation Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—

The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen 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 later this day.

36. TRANSACTIONS IN DRIED FRUITS BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to enable Relief to be afforded to certain Growers of Dried Fruits and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—

The Honorable R. Williams moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.

Question—That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
G. M. Davis,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. E. Chandler,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tynner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. F. Richardson.

And so it passed in the negative.

37. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.

38. HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they still do not admit the right of the Council to make the proposed amendments Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, which, therefore, cannot be entertained as amendments made by the Council, and further acquainting the Council that the Assembly have, however, made the desired amendments and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
8. Clause 9, sub-clause (1), line 18, after “ tires ” insert “ or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act.”	Not entertained by Assembly.— Insisted on by Council.—Still not entertained by Assembly.— Still insisted on by Council.— Still not entertained as amendments made by Council but proposed amendments made by Assembly:
9. „ sub-clause (1), lines 29-30, omit “ fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires ” and insert “ not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act.”	
10. „ page 8, line 2, after “ tires ” insert “ or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act.”	

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

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| <p>11. Clause 9, page 8, lines 14-15, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."</p> <p>12. " page 8, line 33, after "and" insert "a fruit or vegetable market under the control of the council of the city of Melbourne, the council of the city of Geelong or the council of any municipality or."</p> <p>13. " page 9, line 4, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."</p> <p>14. " page 9, lines 7-8, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."</p> <p>15. " page 9, line 12, after "tires" insert "or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."</p> <p>16. " page 9, lines 15-16, omit "fitted with one or more tires other than pneumatic tires" and insert "not fitted entirely with pneumatic tires or with resilient wheels approved by the Minister administering the Act."</p> | <p>Not entertained by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Still not entertained by Assembly.—Still insisted on by Council.—Still not entertained as amendments made by Council but proposed amendments made by Assembly.</p> |
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On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones the amendments made by the Assembly were agreed to by the Council and the Bill was ordered to be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them therewith.

39. REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S FEES BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly still do not admit the right of the Council to make the proposed amendments, which, therefore, cannot be entertained as amendments made by the Council, and further acquainting the Council that the Assembly have, however, made certain amendments in the Bill and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council :—

1. Insert the following new clause :—

A. This Act shall continue in operation until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight and no longer.

2. Third Schedule, clause E, page 11, paragraph (l), sub-paragraph (i), after "stock, a fee of" omit "Seven shillings and sixpence" and insert "Five shillings."

How dealt with : —

Not entertained by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Still not entertained as amendments made by the Council but the following amendments have now been made by the Assembly :—

1. Insert the following new clause :—

A. This Act shall continue in operation until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight and no longer.

Provided that the expiration of this Act shall not—

- (a) affect the previous operation of this Act or anything duly done or suffered under this Act ; or
- (b) affect any right privilege obligation or liability acquired accrued or incurred under this Act ; or
- (c) affect any penalty forfeiture or punishment incurred in respect of any offence committed against this Act ; or
- (d) affect any investigation legal proceeding or remedy in respect of any such right privilege obligation liability penalty forfeiture or punishment as aforesaid ;

and any such investigation legal proceeding or remedy may be instituted continued continued or enforced and any such penalty forfeiture or punishment may be imposed as if this Act had not expired ;

Provided further that immediately on the expiration of this Act the provisions of sections two and four of the First and Second Schedules to the Principal Act shall revive ; and the provisions of the said sections two and four and of section three of the

Third Schedule to the Principal Act and the provisions of all Acts referred to in the Third Schedule to this Act shall thereafter notwithstanding anything in any Act take effect—

- (a) as if sections two and four of the First and Second Schedules to this Act had not been substituted for sections two and four of and the First and Second Schedules to the Principal Act respectively ; and
- (b) as if section three of the Principal Act had not been amended by section three of this Act ;
- (c) as if the Third Schedule to the Principal Act and the Acts referred to in the Third Schedule to the Principal Act had not been amended by sections three and seven of and the Third Schedule to this Act.

2. Third Schedule, clause E, page 11, paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (i), after "stock, a fee of" omit "Seven shillings and sixpence" and insert "Five shillings."

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, and after debate, the amendments made by the Assembly in the Bill were agreed to by the Council and the Bill was ordered to be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them therewith.

40. **POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENTS BILL.**—The Deputy-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 this Bill.
41. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.**—The Deputy-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 this Bill.
42. **GEELONG HARBOR TRUST BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Geelong Harbor Trust Acts and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.
43. **MOTOR OMNIBUSES (URBAN AND COUNTRY) BILL.**—The Deputy-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 this Bill.
44. **MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.**—The Deputy-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 this Bill.
45. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Deputy-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-eight and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, 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 Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott 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.
46. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 8, and *Workers' Compensation Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate*, be postponed until Tuesday, the 17th January next.
47. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 17th January next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable J. P. Jones 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 seven o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday, the 17th January next.

T. R. GILCHRIST,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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QUESTIONS ASKED BY HONORABLE MEMBERS, AND REPLIES THERETO.

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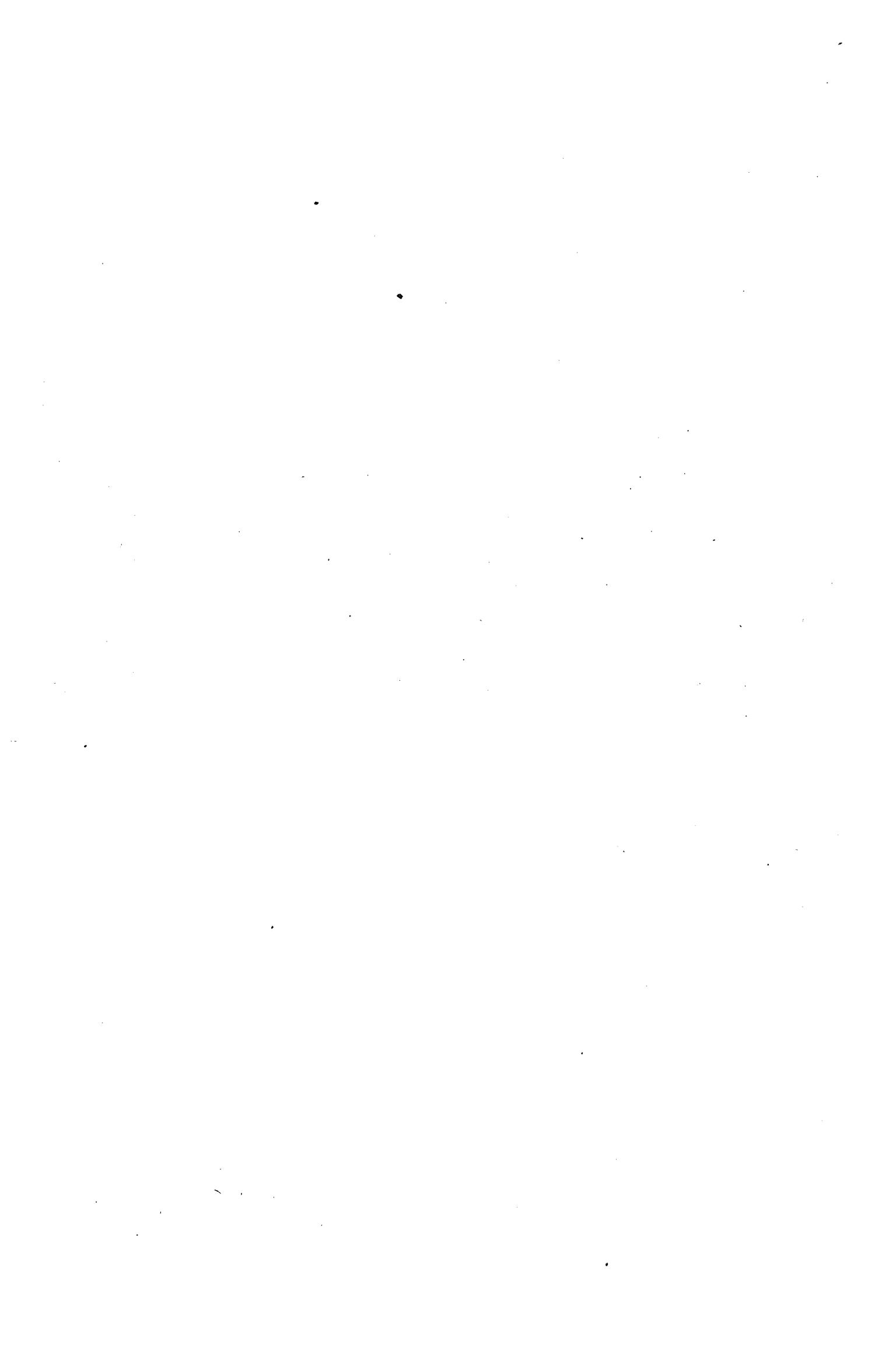
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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the seventeenth day of January, 1928:
Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twenty-first day of February, 1928.

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

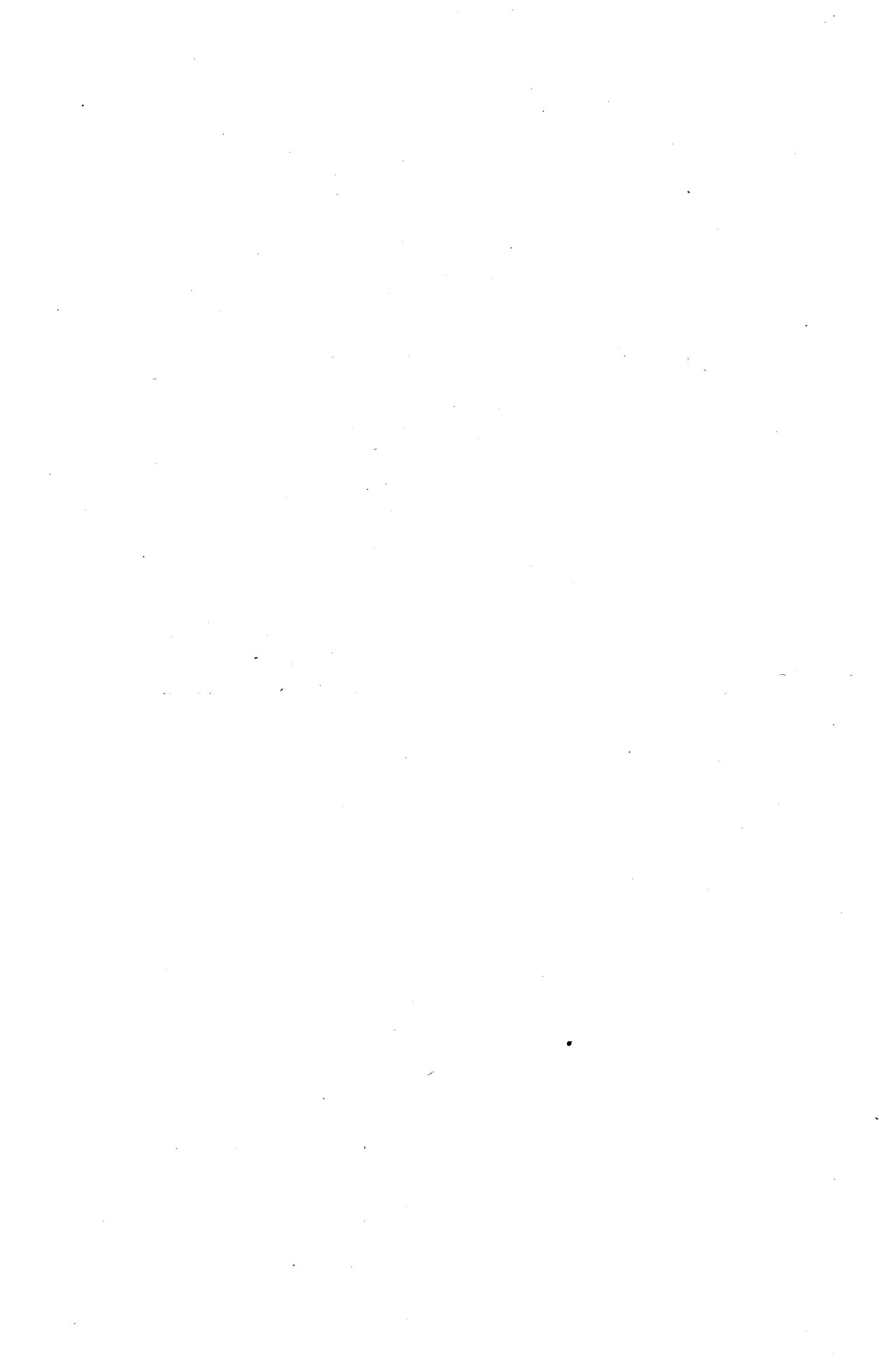
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SOMERS.

By His Excellency's Command,

E. J. HOGAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!



SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS
(JOINT).

APPOINTED (SEE ACT No. 2717) 6TH JULY, 1927.

The Hon. A. Bell

| The Hon. A. E. Chandler

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1927.

No. 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 6th July, 1927.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott	The Hon. J. P. Jones
H. I. Cohen	T. H. Payne
W. H. Edgar	J. Sternberg.
Dr. J. R. Harris	

No. 2.—HOUSE (JOINT).

Appointed 6th July, 1927.

(See Act No. 3176 s. 2.)

The Hon. the President (<i>ex officio</i>)	The Hon. A. E. Chandler
W. Angliss	D. L. McNamara
A. Bell	A. M. Zwar.

No. 3.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 6th July, 1927.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke
W. J. Beckett	M. Saltau.
T. Beggs	

No. 4.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 13th July, 1927.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. D. L. McNamara
F. W. Brawn	J. K. Merritt
H. I. Cohen	T. H. Payne
W. H. Edgar	J. Sternberg
Dr. J. R. Harris	E. J. White.

No. 5.—PRINTING.

Appointed 13th July, 1927.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. H. Hitchcock
R. H. S. Abbott	H. Keck
E. G. Bath	E. L. Kiernan
W. P. Crockett	G. J. Tuckett
J. H. Disney	R. Williams.

No. 6.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

Appointed 13th July, 1927.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen	The Hon. J. P. Jones
W. H. Edgar	M. McGregor
G. L. Goudie	H. F. Richardson.

No. 7.—APPRENTICESHIP BILL.

Appointed 23rd November, 1927.

The Hon. W. Angliss	The Hon. W. Tyner
E. L. Kiernan	A. M. Zwar (<i>Mover</i>)
M. Saltau	



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1927.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.—Clause 3—

3. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any other Act the bridge shall be constructed by the Board.

* * * * *

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ by contract after public tenders being called for the work ” be inserted after the word “ Board ” in sub-clause (1).—(Hon. H. H. Smith.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
D. L. McNamara.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL—Clause 5—

5. (1) Each of the municipalities mentioned in the First Schedule to this Act shall on the date of the completion of the construction of the bridge be liable to pay to the Treasurer as hereinafter provided—

(a) a principal sum not exceeding the sum set out opposite the name of the municipality in the said Schedule—to be credited to the Victorian Loans Redemption Fund; and

* * * * *

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “set out opposite the name of the municipality in the said Schedule” after the words “the sum” in paragraph (a) of sub-clause (1) be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “to be determined by a Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Country Roads Board, the Under-Treasurer, and a representative of the municipalities named in the said Schedule to be nominated by the Municipal Association of Victoria.”

—(Hon. W. Tyner.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
E. L. Kiernan,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
A. E. Chandler.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—SPENCER-STREET BRIDGE BILL.—Clause 5—

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(4) In the event of the capital cost of construction of the bridge being less than Two hundred thousand pounds the Governor in Council may by Order published in the *Government Gazette* make any necessary adjustments in respect of payments to be made by municipalities under this section.

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—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “or more” be inserted after the word “less” in sub-clause (4).

—(Hon. G. M. Davis.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
M. McGregor,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
H. H. Smith.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the “Ayes” and for the “Noes” to be respectively eleven, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the “Noes,” and declared the question to have passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

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IN
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1927.

No. 1.—PETROL PUMPS BILL.—Proposed new clause A—

A. Any person aggrieved by a refusal to grant or transfer or renew a licence or by the cancellation of a licence may appeal to the Minister administering this Act and if the Minister is of opinion after due inquiry that the licence should be granted or transferred or renewed or should not be cancelled he may require the licence to be granted or transferred or continued as he thinks fit.—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen.*)

Motion made and question put—That new clause A be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. H. Smith.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. A. Bell,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Hitchcock,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1927.

No. 1.—WAGES ATTACHMENT BILL.—Clause 3—

3. After the commencement of this Act no order shall be made by any court judge or justice for the attachment of the wages of any clerk servant labourer or workman except as hereinafter mentioned.—(*Hon. J. H. Disney*).

Amendment proposed—That the word “married” be inserted after the word “any” (where secondly occurring).—(*Hon. W. Angliss*).

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
G. M. Davis,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
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Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
H. H. Smith.

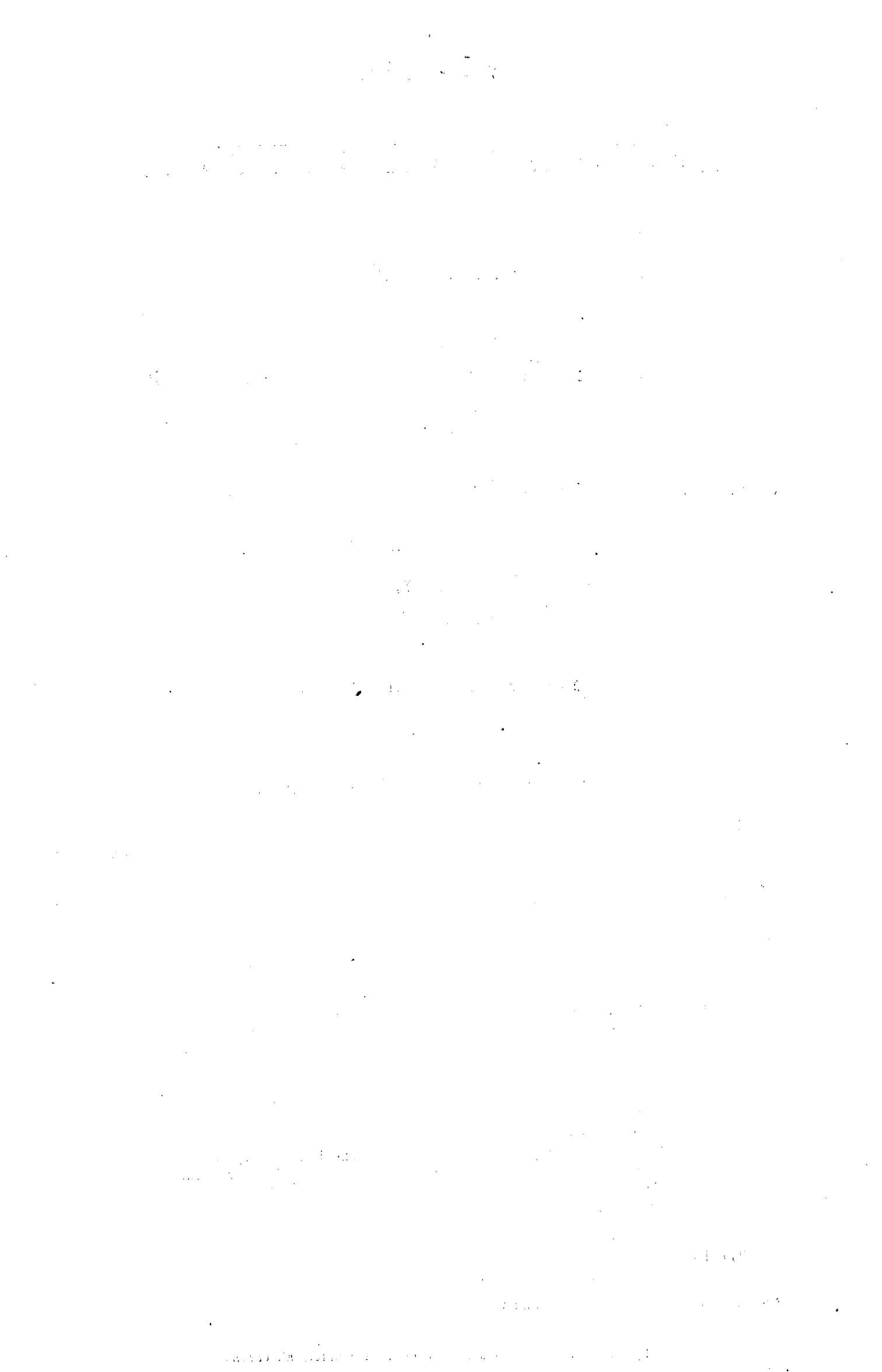
Noes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes

WEDNESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—CRANBOURNE RACE MEETINGS BILL.—Clause 2—

2. Notwithstanding anything in sub-section (8) of section one hundred and fifty-one of the Principal Act the number of days to be allowed in any licence under the said section for horse-racing in the case of the Cranbourne race-course may be but shall not exceed two during any year.—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*).

Question—That clause 2 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
W. L. R. Clarke,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
G. J. Tuckett,
E. J. White,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
G. L. Goudie.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
W. H. Edgar,
H. F. Richardson,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—FORESTS BILL.—Clause 9 (*as amended*)—

9. (1) Whenever required by the Commission or by any person thereto authorized in writing by the Commission (either generally or in any particular case)—

(a) the owner of every saw-mill on private land shall furnish in the prescribed manner such information and particulars as are required from him concerning the output of timber of all classes and species from such saw-mill; and

(2) Every owner of a saw-mill aforesaid shall forthwith fill up any form sent to or left with or for him for the purposes of this section.

(3) Any owner of a saw-mill aforesaid who in contravention of this section—

(a) refuses or fails to forthwith furnish information and particulars when required to do so pursuant to this section; or

(b) fails or refuses to forthwith fill up any form sent to or left with or for him for the purposes of this section; or

(c) furnishes information or particulars which is or are not correct—

shall be guilty of an offence against the Principal Act.

(4) The forms which are required to be filled in for the purposes of this section shall from time to time be prepared by the Commission and approved by the Governor-in-Council.

(5) The provisions of section sixty-five of the *Forests Act 1918* with respect to regulations shall extend and apply to the making of any regulations prescribing any matters or things necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying into effect the objects of this section.—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett.*)

Question—That clause 9 as amended stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.



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VICTORIA.

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IN
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes

WEDNESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—MELBOURNE TO FOOTSCRAY ROAD BILL.—Clause 5.

5. (1) The city of Melbourne shall upon the lands respectively described in Part IV. of the First Schedule Part II. and III. of the Second Schedule and in the Third and Fourth Schedules construct the second roadway in continuation of the first roadway together with a bridge to carry the second roadway over the Railway Coal Canal at West Melbourne.

(2) The second roadway shall be constructed to a width of ninety-nine feet.

(3) The second roadway and the said bridge shall be constructed in accordance with plans elevations sections and specifications approved in writing by the Minister.

(4) No contract for the construction of any portion of the second roadway (including the said bridge) shall be made by the city of Melbourne unless such contract has been previously approved in writing by the Minister.—(*Hon. J. P. Jones.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “on a three chain reservation” be inserted after the word “feet” in sub-clause (2).—(*Hon H. F. Richardson.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
A. E. Chandler,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
M. McGregor.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
Dr. J. R. Harris.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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IN
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 7.

Extracted from the Minutes

WEDNESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—INCOME TAX BILL.—Clause 2—

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

- * * * * *
- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
- (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Ninepence ; and
- (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Elevenpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Thirteenspence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Fifteenspence ; and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Seventeenspence ;
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—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, sub-clause (1), line 42, omit “ Ninepence ” and insert “ Eightpence.”

—(Hon. H. H. Smith.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
T. H. Payne.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—INCOME TAX BILL—Clause 2—

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

* * * * * *

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

* * * * * *

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, page 4, line 19, omit “ Eighteenpence ” and insert “ Sixteenpence.”

—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
T. H. Payne,
H. H. Smith.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1927.

No. 3.—HEALTH BILL.—Clause 12 (*as amended*).

12. (1) After the expiration of six months from the commencement of this Act no person shall keep a butcher's shop or a fishmonger's shop unless the same is registered with a Council.

(2) If any butcher's shop or fishmonger's shop is not so registered or if there is with respect thereto any contravention of or failure to comply with the Health Acts or the regulations the proprietor thereof shall be guilty of an offence against the *Health Act* 1919.

(3) The council may make regulations for or with respect to—

- (a) the inspection of butchers' shops and of fishmongers' shops ;
- (b) the drainage thereof ;
- (c) the provision of suitable sanitary conveniences therefor ;
- (d) the supply of water thereto ;
- (e) the provisions for lighting and ventilation of the premises ;
- (f) the maintenance of the premises in a proper state of repair ;
- (g) the provision of suitable stores for the keeping and storage of meat or fish properly constructed situated and ventilated and sufficient in capacity ;
- (h) requiring that such stores shall be so constructed and maintained as to exclude flies and rodents and other vermin therefrom ;
- (i) the cleansing of all utensils ;
- (j) regulating the carrying on at any butcher's shop or fishmonger's shop of any business connected therewith or ancillary thereto ; and
- (k) generally, carrying into effect the purposes of this section.

(4) Save as otherwise expressly provided in the regulations, all such regulations shall apply with respect to all butchers' shops and fishmongers' shops whether constructed before or after the commencement of this Act.

(5) The provisions of Part XIV. of the *Health Act* 1919 shall extend and apply with respect to registrations under this section.

(6) The provisions of Part XV. of the *Health Act* 1919 relating to regulations of the Governor in Council thereunder shall extend and apply to the making of regulations under this section and to such regulations when made.

(7) In this section unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“ Fishmonger's shop ” does not include any fishmonger's shop which is registered as an eating house under division three of Part X. of the *Health Act* 1919.

“ Proprietor ” of a butcher's shop or of a fishmonger's shop includes the owner the occupier or any person having the management or control thereof.

(8) This section shall be read and construed as in aid and not in derogation of the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts and the regulations thereunder relating to the like subject-matter.

(9) This section shall apply to cities and towns ; and the Governor in Council may by proclamation extend and apply this section to any borough or to any shire or part thereof ; and any proclamation under this sub-section may be repealed amended or varied by proclamation of the Governor in Council, and any proclamation as so amended or varied shall take effect accordingly.

—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett.*)

Question—That clause 12 as amended stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
M. McGregor.

And so it passed in the negative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1927.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS
IN
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 8.

Extracted from the Minutes

WEDNESDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—Clause 15—

15. (1) In sub-section (1) of section nineteen of the *Housing and Reclamation Act 1920* as amended by section two of the *State Savings Bank (Insurance) Act 1924*—

- (a) for the words "fire risk or damage by timber borers white ants or other insects" there shall be substituted the words "any risk of loss or damage by fire or any other prescribed cause"; and
- (b) for the words "loss or damage by fire timber borers white ants or other insects" there shall be substituted the words "any such loss or damage."

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—(Hon. W. J. Beckett.)

Amendment proposed—That the following new paragraph be added to sub-clause (1) :—

- "(c) for the words 'the Commissioners may be required to insure and keep insured as aforesaid the said building or other property' there shall be substituted the words 'such purchaser or borrower.'"

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Hitchcock,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
M. McGregor,

Noes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
Sir F. G. Clarke,
J. H. Disney,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
E. J. White.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1927.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 9.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1927.

No. 1.—MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—Clause 7—

7. (1) For paragraph (a) of section fifty-one of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following paragraph :—

“(a) Is registered in the United Kingdom as a dentist in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) of section six of the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom known as the *Dentists Act 1878*, as amended by section eleven of the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom known as the *Dentists Act 1921*.”

(2) Notwithstanding anything in this section any person who would but for this section have been entitled to be registered in Victoria as a dentist and has before the commencement of this Act applied to the Board to be so registered or has before the eighth day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven embarked from the United Kingdom for the purpose of proceeding to Victoria, and has before the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight applied to the Board to be so registered shall be entitled to be registered as a dentist as if this section had not been passed.

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (2) be omitted.—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris.)

Question—That sub-clause (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
H. Hitchcock.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
Sir Frank Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
G. J. Tuckett.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the “Ayes” and for the “Noes” to be respectively twelve, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the “Ayes” in order to allow of further consideration of the subject, and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL—Clause 13—

13. (1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act any person who on application to the Dental Board of Victoria within six months after the commencement of this Act satisfies the said Board that he—

(a) is of good character ; and

(b) had prior to the fifteenth day of November One thousand nine hundred and ten entered on a definite course of training in Victoria to acquire a knowledge of dental surgery and dentistry ; and

(c) since so entering on such course and up to the commencement of this Act has been continuously employed solely in the work of dental surgery and dentistry in Victoria—

shall on proof of the matters aforesaid and on payment of the prescribed fee be entitled to be registered as a dentist.

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—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ entered on ” in paragraph (b) of sub-clause (1) be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the word “ completed.”—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
E. L. Kiernan,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
G. J. Tuckett,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
Sir Frank Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. H. Payne,
E. J. White.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—Proposed new clause A—

A. In sub-section (1) of section sixty-six of the Principal Act the words “ unless under the personal supervision of such dentist ” are hereby repealed.

—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris.)

Motion made and question put—That new clause A be added to the Bill.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
E. L. Kiernan,
T. H. Payne,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
J. K. Merritt.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. F. Richardson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1927.

No. 4.—HARBOR BOARDS BILL.—Clause 11—

11. The following provisions shall apply with respect to the election of elected members of harbor boards :—

- (1) Except in the case of the harbor board of Portland all elected members of any harbor board shall be elected by ratepayers of the municipalities the municipal districts of which are in whole or in part within the subdivision of the harbor board district for which the election is held ; and every person whose name is inscribed on the municipal roll in force for the municipal district of any such municipality in respect of any property rateable to the municipality and situate within such subdivision shall be entitled to vote and shall be entitled to one vote and no more ;

* * * * *

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ one vote and no more ” in sub-clause (1) be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “ the number of votes for which he is inscribed on such roll.”—(Hon. H. H. Smith.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
E. J. White.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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VICTORIA.

REPORT

OF THE

SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

ON THE

APPRENTICESHIP BILL.

Ordered by the Legislative Council to be printed, 14th December, 1927.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1927.

4. APPRENTICESHIP 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.

The Honorable R. Williams moved, That the Bill be now committed.

The Honorable A. M. Zwar 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.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 16.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell
F. W. Brawn,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 8.
The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now committed to a Select Committee—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. M. Zwar moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on the Apprenticeship Bill consist of the Honorables W. Angliss, E. L. Kiernan, M. Saltau, W. Tyner, and the Mover; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

REPORT.

The Select Committee appointed by your Honorable House on the 23rd November, 1927, and to which was referred "A Bill to amend the Law relating to Apprenticeship and for other purposes" have the honour to report as follows:—

1. Your Committee met five times and heard evidence from representatives of the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures and the Melbourne Trades Hall Council. In view of the little time available to the Committee, it being their desire to furnish a Report at the earliest date so that there might be an opportunity this Session in which to deal with the proposed legislation, it was not considered necessary to call further witnesses, the evidence submitted being sufficient to cover the provisions of the Bill from all aspects.

STATEMENTS BY EMPLOYERS.

2. Representatives of the employers pointed out that this proposed legislation was fifteen or twenty years too late, as the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration had been constituted in recent years, and its awards regarding apprenticeship applied to many industries in Victoria and over-rode the State laws. A list prepared by the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures showing separately the trades under Federal Awards and the trades under Wages Board determinations not affected by Federal Awards is appended to this Report. These representatives said wages boards appointed in this State under the Factories and Shops Acts also fixed the number of apprentices, their hours, wages, and indenture conditions in most trades to which the Commonwealth awards do not apply. Consequently there are very few industries left to which the proposed Apprenticeship Bill, if enacted, would be applicable. The view of the employers was that until the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration withdrew from its awards any conditions relating to apprentices and improvers, or until that Court was prepared to recognize a Victorian enactment specially dealing with apprenticeship and made that law apply to its awards in this State, the Victorian Parliament ought not to pass the proposed Apprenticeship Bill. If there were three bodies to operate in regard to the employment of apprentices—the Commonwealth Court, the State Wages Boards, and the Commission to be appointed under the proposed Apprenticeship Act—it would cause confusion, be cumbersome in operation, and inflict on employers an unnecessary loss of time in studying and carrying out the provisions of that Act. Already about a third of the effective time of an employer had to be devoted to dealing with industrial laws and awards, causing a serious encroachment on the hours he should give to the questions of increasing production and expansion of business which would mean additional employment of men and youths. Competition in trade was keen and the manufacturer of to-day had necessarily to be constantly on the watch for labour-saving appliances to cheapen production and augment the output of his factory. This caused the use of more and more automatic or semi-automatic machines in mass production, so that in many industries the teaching of an apprentice the full details of the complete trade was now a thing of the past, the employé being limited to a particular branch of the trade.

OPINIONS OF THE EMPLOYÉS.

3. Mr. J. H. Bradshaw, Secretary of the Plasterers' Society, speaking for the trade unions of Victoria, stated that they generally approved of the Apprenticeship Bill, and desired it to be enacted with one or two slight alterations. He considered it was a workable measure, and added unless Victoria was going to lag behind the other States it was necessary to have this legislation so as to encourage apprenticeship and the training of craftsmen. At present there were many lads who could be taken into trades as apprentices, but employers were avoiding the obligation to teach them the trade. Some of the trade unions are now forced to appeal to the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration in regard to apprenticeship matters, but if this Bill became law they would not have recourse to that Court, being satisfied with the authority of the Apprenticeship Commission provided for in the Bill.

VIEWS OF THE COMMITTEE.

4. Your Committee, after considering the evidence, formed the opinion that the Bill should be passed with certain amendments set forth hereunder. Your Committee believe the Bill, if enacted, with the amendments suggested will be recognized and taken advantage of by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, and so remove one of the objections to the measure raised by the representatives of the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures.

5. Your Committee recommend that the administration of the Act be placed in the hands of the Department of Labour instead of the Education Department as proposed in the Bill. The former Department is in closer touch with industry, and, on the whole, its administration of the Factories and Shops Acts has been satisfactory. Your Committee, however, desire to stress the necessity of the gentleman to be appointed to the office of President of the Apprenticeship Commission having had experience of teaching in technical schools, so that the training of apprentices at those schools may receive prominence and sympathetic consideration from him.

AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED IN THE BILL.

Clause 6, lines 1-2, omit "Education Department" and insert "Department of Labour".

Clause 7, sub-clause (4), line 34, omit "educational and of".

„ sub-clause (4), lines 35-6, omit "a knowledge of technical education and", insert "with teaching experience in a technical school".

Clause 10, lines 17-18, omit "Education Department" and insert "Department of Labour".

Clause 13, insert the following new sub-clause to follow sub-clause (6) :—

"(7) If a resolution is passed by both Houses of Parliament declaring that it is expedient that any specified proclamation under this section be amended or varied as set forth in such resolution or be revoked such proclamation shall if not so amended or varied or revoked cease to have any force or effect on the expiration of one month after the passing of such resolution."

Clause 24, sub-clause (1), line 37, omit "percentages of journeymen's minimum".

„ sub-clause (1), lines 37-8, omit "in the trade".

„ sub-clause (1), line 39, omit "percentages" and insert "rates."

„ sub-clause (2), page 14, line 1, omit "percentage" and insert "rate."

„ sub-clause (2), page 14, line 8, omit "percentage" and insert "rate."

Clause 25, lines 38-43, after "Act" omit all the words to the end of the Clause and insert "the same proportionate benefits (if any) as regards sick pay and payment for holidays provided for journeymen employed in the same trade by any competent industrial authority or in any industrial agreement made pursuant to the *Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1926* as the rates of pay of the apprentice bear to journeymen's minimum rates of pay provided by any such authority or in any such agreement for such trade."

Clause 26, sub-clause (2), line 8, after "shall" insert "during the first two years of his apprenticeship course".

Clause 31, sub-clause (1), lines 31-7, omit the proviso to this sub-clause and insert :—

"This sub-section shall not apply to any improver or any class or classes of improvers employed in any apprenticeship trade aforesaid whose employment is not of such a nature as will permit or require him or them to become a skilled craftsman or skilled craftsmen."

Notwithstanding anything in section thirty-five of this Act no proceedings shall be taken against any person for an offence against this sub-section unless the Commission after notifying such person of the offence alleged against him and after considering any representations which may be made to the Commission in the matter whether by or on behalf of such person or by or on behalf of any other person or body of persons claiming to be interested in the matter recommends to the Minister that such proceedings be taken."

Clause 33, line 18, omit "percentage" and insert "rate."

Clause 38, page 20, line 27, omit "percentages of journeymen's minimum".

„ page 20, lines 28-30, omit "as provided by any competent industrial authority and."

„ page 20, line 30, omit "if any."

„ page 20, line 35, omit "percentages" and insert "rates."

„ page 21, line 6, after "Minister" insert "of Public Instruction."

Committee Room,

14th December, 1927.

APPENDIX.

Trades under Federal Awards, Agreements, or Cases Listed for Hearing by Arbitration Courts.

Aerated Water Trade
 Agricultural Implements (Town)
 Agricultural Implements (Country)
 Artificial Manure
 Bedsteadmakers
 Boilermakers
 Brewers
 *Brushmakers
 Builders' Labourers
 Candlemakers
 Cardboard Box
 Carpenters
 Carriage Builders
 Carters and Drivers
 Clothing
 Clothing (Waterproof)
 Coopers
 Cordage
 Cycle
 Dressmakers
 Dyers and Clothes Cleaners
 Electrical Installation
 Electrical Supply
 *Factory Engine-drivers (partly)
 Engine-drivers (Mining)
 Engineers (Skilled)
 Engineers (Unskilled)
 Fellmongers
 *Flock
 Flour
 Flour (Country)
 *Furniture (Cabinetmakers)
 Furniture (Overmantels, Mantlepieces)
 Furniture (Wire Mattresses)
 Furniture (Bedding)
 Furniture (Planning Carpets)
 Gasworkers
 Glassworkers
 Glue and Gelatine
 Grocers' Sundries
 Ham and Bacon Curers
 Hats (Straw)
 Hats (Felt)
 Headwear
 Hotel Employees
 Ironmoulders (Jobbing)
 Jam Trade
 Leather Goods
 Lift Workers
 Marine Stores
 Malsters
 Mine (Coal)
 Meat Preservers
 Miners (Gold)
 Millet Broom
 *Musical Instruments
 Musicians
 *Organ
 Ovenmakers
 *Perambulators
 *Picture Frame
 *Plate Glass
 Polish
 Printers
 Printers (Country)
 Printers (Provincial)
 Rubber Trade
 Saddlery and Harness
 Shirt

Trades under Wages Board Determinations not affected by Federal Awards.

Animal Manure
 Asphalters
 Bag Makers
 Billposters
 Biscuit Makers
 Boarding Houses
 Bootmakers
 Bottle Covers
 Bakers (Town)
 Bakers (Country)
 Bread Carters
 Bricklayers
 Butter
 Cement Workers
 Cement Articles
 Cemetery Employees
 Chaffcutters
 Charworkers
 Chemists (Manufacturing)
 Cigar Trade
 Clerks (Commercial)
 Clerks (Law)
 Coal and Coke
 Confectioners
 Dental Mechanics
 Dispensaries
 Electroplaters
 Factory Engine-drivers (partly)
 Engravers
 Farriers
 Farriers (Country)
 Gardeners
 Gas Meters
 Grocers (Wholesale)
 Hairdressers
 Horsehair
 Hospital Attendants
 Hospital Attendants (Country)
 Ironmoulders (other than Jobbing)
 Jewellers
 Knitters
 Knitters (Country)
 Limeburners
 Motor-drivers
 Nailmakers
 Nickelware
 Opticians
 Paint and Colour
 Painters
 Paper
 Paper Bags
 Pastrycooks
 Photographers
 Plasterers
 Plasterers (Fibrous)
 Plumbers
 Pottery
 Process Engravers
 Restaurant
 Sand Pit
 Sewer Builders
 Shops Boards—
 Boot Dealers
 Boot Repairers
 Chemists
 Shops Assistants (Country)
 Dairy Produce
 Drapers' and Men's Clothing (Retail)
 Fish and Poultry

APPENDIX—*continued.*

Trades under Federal Awards, Agreements, or Cases Listed for Hearing by Arbitration Court.

Butchers (Town)
Butchers (Country)
Butchers (Provincial)
Slaughtering (Export)
Soap and Soda
Starch
Stonecutters
Tanners
Tentmakers
Timber Fellers
*Umbrella
Underclothing
*Undertakers
*Wicker
Woodworkers
Woodworkers (Country)
Woollens

Trades under Wages Board Determinations not affected by Federal Awards.

Shops Boards—*continued.*

Fuel and Fodder
Fourth Schedule Shops
Furniture Dealers
Grocers
Hardware
Tobacconists
Miscellaneous
Confectionery
Florists
Booksellers
Slaters and Tilers
Softgoods (Wholesale)
Stationery
Storemen and Packers
Sugar Refiners
Tanners (Furred Skins)
Tea Packing
Tie Makers
Tile Layers
Tinsmiths
Tramway Conversion
Tuckpointers
Watchmakers
Watchmen
Wharfs and Jetties
Wire Fence and Tubular Gate
Wireworkers."

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