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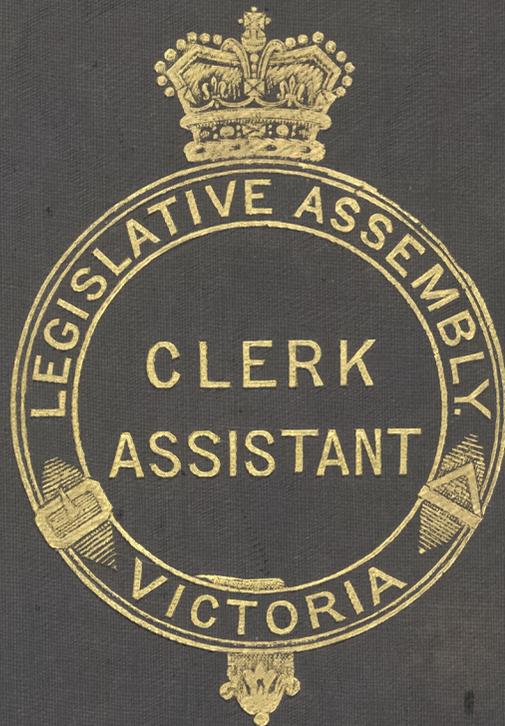
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LEGISLATIVE
ASSEMBLY.

SESSION

1884.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JUNE, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if it is his intention to place a further sum of money on the Estimates for the purpose of affording the Water Trust help to finish works already commenced for domestic supply ; and, if so, what amount.
2. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he has received a complaint from the Bendigo Miners' Association respecting the systematic evasion and non-fulfilment of the labour covenants of mining leases, and what action he intends to take thereon.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the Agent-General had sent any intimation to him relative to the possible failure of the Oriental Bank previous to its stopping payment ; and, if so, what steps he took to protect the interests of the colony.
4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he is aware that it is stated that the Chinese are driving the Australians out of the Northern Territory ; and if he will point out to the South Australian Government the consequent danger to which this exposes all the colonies.
5. MR. MIRAMS : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he intends to take any steps to recover from the Oriental Bank, or from the other nine banks of the Association, the public moneys which were invested upon deposit or otherwise in that institution at the time of its failure.
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 - (2.) Whether the Honorable the Attorney-General requested His Honour to furnish such a report at the command of His Excellency.
 - (3.) Is it the practice of the representative of the Crown in this colony, with the concurrence of his present Advisers, to give full and literal effect to the 11th paragraph of the Governor's Instructions, 1879.
8. MR. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when the Education Commission is likely to make its final report.
9. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether Professor Irving, a member of the Public Service Board, is one of the executors of a deceased proprietor of the *Argus* newspaper.

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31. **MR. GRAVES** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Pounds Act 1874.*"
32. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the opinion of the Government tea expert on all the teas that arrived here per steamer *Amalfa*; also, a copy of the analytical chemists' reports on the same teas.
33. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the right of suing for penalties against persons disqualified to sit and vote in Parliament.
34. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers relating to the case of one Willis, fined at the Melbourne City Police Court recently for assault.
35. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memos. thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OPENING SPEECH.—Motion for—Resumption of debate.
2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 12TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to compel the Melbourne Harbour Trust to carry out the will of Parliament relating to the eight hours system of labour as contained in the 5th section of their *Amending Act 1883*.
2. **DR. QUICK** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he proposes to comply with the application of the Amalgamated Mining Enginedrivers' Association for a reduction of the fee charged for certificates to 5s.
3. **MR. ORKNEY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will consider the advisability of immediately removing the hulks containing dynamite and other explosives from Hobson's Bay to Symonds' or other unused channel in Port Phillip Bay, remote from population and property.

4. **MR. W. M. CLARK**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
- (1.) Whether the Regulations under the Railways Management Bill include all employes in the Department, so far as annual holidays, provision for payment of overtime, and allowance on superannuation, or being dispensed with;
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5. **MR. C. YOUNG**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he is aware of any complaints made against the Officials in the Titles Office of delay in the issue of deeds; and if he will make enquiry as to what officers in the Department are responsible for any delay, and will take such action in the matter as he may deem necessary.

TUESDAY, 17TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. **MR. LAURENS**: To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Honorable the Minister of Defence has fully considered the claims made by the late Carlton Volunteer Corps to the land occupied by the Carlton Orderly Room; and, if so, how does he propose to deal with such claims.
2. **MR. CONNOR**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture what action (if any) the Government propose to take in respect to the establishment of a College of Agriculture where students could be taught the Science of Agriculture, Veterinary, Forestry.
3. **MR. LAURENS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the Department has decided as to the best mode of effecting the junction of the Spencer street and Hobson's Bay Railways for passenger traffic; if so, when is that desirable connection to be carried out.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GRANT**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. **MR. SHACKELL**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he has, since last session of Parliament, received any correspondence from the Government of New South Wales on the subject of locking the Murray River; and, if so, will he consent to lay such correspondence before this House.
2. **MR. SHACKELL**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into the best means of rendering the Murray River permanently navigable, and more particularly with the view of ultimately forming a Federal River Union or Trust.

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Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Reports. Quarters ended 30th September, 31st December, 1883, and 31st March, 1884. Nos. 2, 8, and 27.

Melbourne Harbour Trust—The Accounts of, for the Quarters ended 30th September and 31st December, 1883. Nos. 3 and 16.

Lunatic Asylums—Return of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums. No. 4.

The Sanatory Station—Report for the Year 1883. No. 5.

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10. MR. BOWMAN : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to take into consideration the report of the Tariff Commission this Session.
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(To take precedence.)

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General Business.

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Return of Members of the Legislative Council at the Opening of Parliament, 10th June, 1884.
Inebriates Act 1872 Amendment Bill.—[20] (To Members of Council only.)

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Tariff—Minutes of the Proceedings of the Royal Commission. No. 9.

Melbourne Mint—Despatch. No. 12.

Order in Council—Commission to Licensed Vendors of Stamps, &c. No. 14.

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The Fisheries Act Amendment Act 1878—Notice of intention to prohibit fishing in the Richardson River, at Donald. No. 17.

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5. **MR. PEARSON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) Whether he can fix a date for the opening of the line to Brunswick and Coburg.
 - (2.) Whether any tenders have been called for the erection of stations along the Brunswick and Coburg line.
6. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if, during the present year, he intends to increase the Book Grant to Free Libraries.
7. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if Truant Officers are authorized to ignore the definite instructions of Local Boards of Advice, and prosecute or withdraw cases of truancy as they choose.
8. **MR. HARPER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will take immediate steps to protect the officers of his department in the fulfilment of their duties in carrying out the provisions of the Tea Act from the reported interference of outside parties.
9. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will appoint a Government Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Metropolitan District, so as to protect tradesmen from the persecution of informers, and secure the better administration of justice.
10. **MR. BOWMAN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to take into consideration the report of the Tariff Commission this Session.

(To take precedence.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OPENING SPEECH**—Motion for—Resumption of debate.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice Paper, be called on after Eleven o'clock.
2. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That on Tuesday and Thursday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.
3. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That on Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business until Nine o'clock; after that hour, business shall be called on in the following order, viz. :—

On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business :

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

General Business :

1. Notices of Motion relating to Bills.
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General Business :

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Private Bill Business :

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4. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session, five to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Grant, Mr. James, Mr. Kerferd, Sir Charles Mac Mahon, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Service, and Mr. Wrixon.
5. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Shiels.
6. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Woods, and Mr. C. Young.
7. MR. SERVICE :—To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session, three to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hall, Mr. Harper, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Laurens, Mr. W. Madden, Mr. McColl, and Mr. Reid.
8. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Coppin, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Zox.
9. MR. WOODS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.
10. MR. NIMMO : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all instructions to the Police and Prosecutor for the Queen in the "Nathan case," and also all papers connected therewith.
11. MR. GARDINER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs, on the local option principle.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to suspend the operation of "*The Judicature Act 1883*" for a period of twelve months.
13. MR. MASON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the practice of the legal profession.
14. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
15. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
16. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
17. MR. M. H. DAVIES ; To move for leave to introduce a Bill to further amend "*The Companies Statute 1864.*"
18. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
19. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
20. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to make better provision for the appointment of Justices of the Peace in Victoria.
21. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enforce early closing in business establishments in Victoria.
22. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all the payments made by the Victorian Government to the Associated Banks during each year for the twenty-five years ending 31st December, 1883, under the following headings:—
 - (1.) Commissions paid upon the floating of Loans.
 - (2.) Commissions paid upon remittances to meet interest payable in London.
 - (3.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys brought from London for the Government.
 - (4.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys forwarded to London on account of the Government.
 - (5.) Commissions paid upon Loans redeemed.
 - (6.) Interest paid upon advances to the Government.
 - (7.) Any other items not above specified; each item, if any, to be stated separately.

23. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
24. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
 The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
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 2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
 3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion, that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and

effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.

4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognizing the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
 5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
 6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
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records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.
- (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.
 - (3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.
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WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the petition of George Urquhart, gentleman; such Committee to consist of _____ and the Mover, three to form a quorum; to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

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Census of Victoria, 1881—Part VII.—Occupations of the People; Part VIII.—Sickness and Infirmity. Nos. 21 and 22.

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7. **MR. NIMMO :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the number of hours during which drivers and firemen are engaged on the Victorian Railways are divided by nine, instead of eight, at the end of each month, in order to ascertain the number of days they have worked during the month.
8. **MR. HUNT :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when he will be in a position to undertake the completion of the North-Eastern Railway duplication between Essendon and Seymour.
9. **MR. REID :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether all the railway contractors have to go to arbitration to get their accounts settled; and, in the case of the Traralgon and Heyfield Railway contract, whether the railway banks have been measured according to the distinct specifications of the contract.
10. **MR. COOPER :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) If he will consider the propriety of calling upon Mining Surveyors to supply the Mining Department with a correct plan of all the important mines working in their several districts.
 - (2.) As the plans are received will he have the several claims plotted on district maps to be kept in the Mining Department.
 - (3.) Will he ask the Mining Managers of all important alluvial and quartz mines to supply tracings of their underground works with their exact height above sea level.
11. **MR. GRAVES :** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will cause some steps to be taken to unravel the unaccounted for disappearance of Dr. John Roubell Gray (a native of Aberdeen), health officer at Raywood, in this colony, and who was previously medical officer at Knayton Thrisk, Yorkshire.
12. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he is aware that the Melbourne daily papers of the latter part of last year, belonging to the Parliament Library, are still in the hands of the Government binder, and have been there since the first week in the year, to the great inconvenience of Honorable Members.
13. **MR. WRIXON :** To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will have printed and circulated among Honorable Members the full text of the Report of the Western Pacific Commission.
14. **MR. M. H. DAVIES :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) Whether he has accepted, for lighting the two Legislative Chambers, the tender of the Australian Electric Company, and whether such tender was the lowest received, and if not—
 - (2.) On what grounds the lowest tender was not accepted.
15. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey when he proposes to deal with the question of Public Reserves.
16. **MR. SHACKELL :** To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he is in a position to give the House any information as to the correctness or otherwise of the cablegram in the newspapers of Monday (relative to the recommendation of the Committee appointed by the French Senate to report on the *récidivistes* measure), wherein it stated that vagabonds and beggars had been added to the list of offenders who may be transported to the French penal settlement of New Caledonia; and, if correct, what action he intends pursuing in reference thereto.

17. **MR. FINCHAM :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will cause to be permanently reserved all such Crown lands as have been shown to be specially adapted for the production of the various kinds of timber which the recent experiments of the Timber Board proved to be of the greatest value in the construction of railway rolling-stock.
18. **MR. HARPER :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will take immediate steps to protect the officers of his department in the fulfilment of their duties in carrying out the provisions of the Tea Act from the reported interference of outside parties.
19. **MR. BOWMAN :** To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to take into consideration the report of the Tariff Commission this Session.
20. **MR. C. YOUNG :** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will accede to the request of the Water Trusts, and put on the Estimates a sum sufficient to recoup them the amount they have paid by way of duty on the cast iron pipes used by them in connection with the Trust works.

(To take precedence.)

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATOR'S OPENING SPEECH—Motion for—Resumption of debate

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day ; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice Paper, be called on after Eleven o'clock.
2. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That on Tuesday and Thursday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.
3. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That on Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business until Nine o'clock ; after that hour, business shall be called on in the following order, viz. :—

On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business :

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

General Business :

1. Notices of Motion relating to Bills.
2. Orders of the Day relating to Bills.
3. Notices of Motion.
4. Orders of the Day.

On the alternate Wednesday—

General Business :

1. Orders of the Day relating to Bills.
2. Notices of Motion relating to Bills.
3. Orders of the Day.
4. Notices of Motion.

Private Bill Business :

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

4. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session, five to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Grant, Mr. James, Mr. Kerferd, Sir Charles Mac Mahon, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Service, and Mr. Wrixon.
5. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Robertson, and Mr. Shiels.
6. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Woods, and Mr. C. Young.
7. **MR. SERVICE :**—To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session, three to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hall, Mr. Harper, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Laurens, Mr. W. Madden, Mr. McColl, and Mr. Reid.
8. **MR. SERVICE :** To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Coppin, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Zox.
9. **MR. WOODS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.
10. **MR. NIMMO :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all instructions to the Police and Prosecutor for the Queen in the "Nathan case," and also all papers connected therewith.
11. **MR. GARDINER :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs, on the local option principle.
12. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to suspend the operation of "The Judicature Act 1883" for a period of twelve months.
13. **MR. MASON :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the practice of the legal profession.

14. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
- (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
15. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
16. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
17. **MR. M. H. DAVIES** ; To move for leave to introduce a Bill to further amend "*The Companies Statute 1864.*"
18. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
19. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
20. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to make better provision for the appointment of Justices of the Peace in Victoria.
21. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enforce early closing in business establishments in Victoria.
22. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all the payments made by the Victorian Government to the Associated Banks during each year for the twenty-five years ending 31st December, 1883, under the following headings:—
- (1.) Commissions paid upon the floating of Loans.
 - (2.) Commissions paid upon remittances to meet interest payable in London.
 - (3.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys brought from London for the Government.
 - (4.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys forwarded to London on account of the Government.
 - (5.) Commissions paid upon Loans redeemed.
 - (6.) Interest paid upon advances to the Government.
 - (7.) Any other items not above specified; each item, if any, to be stated separately.
23. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
24. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
25. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
26. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers, and to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by workmen in their service.
27. **DR. QUICK** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the correspondence which recently took place between Mr. Justice Higinbotham and the Honorable the Attorney-General, in the case of the late condemned man Henry Morgan, having reference to the mode of exercising the prerogative of mercy and the 11th paragraph of the Governor's instructions.
28. **MR. M. H. DAVIES** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Printers' and Newspapers Registration Statute 1864.*"
29. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.

30. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over-allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
31. **MR. GRAVES :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Pounds Act 1874.*"
32. **MR. BOWMAN :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the opinion of the Government tea expert on all the teas that arrived here per steamer *Amalfi*; also, a copy of the analytical chemists' reports on the same teas.
33. **MR. WRIXON :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the right of suing for penalties against persons disqualified to sit and vote in Parliament.
34. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers relating to the case of one Willis, fined at the Melbourne City Police Court recently for assault.
35. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memos. thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
36. **MR. FINCHAM :** To move, That there be laid before this House all the papers relating to the occupation of Mud Island from the date of its original occupation to the present time, including all orders or memoranda of the respective Ministers of Lands referring thereto.
37. **MR. RICHARDSON :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to establish equitable Councils of Conciliation to adjust differences between employers and workmen.
38. **MR. SERVICE :** To move—
- (1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—
 1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
 2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
 3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
 4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognising the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
 5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
 6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
 7. That the Convention expresses a confident hope that no penal settlement for the reception of European criminals will long continue to exist in the Pacific, and invites Her Majesty's Government to make to the Government of France such serious representations on this subject as may be deemed expedient—

records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.
 - (3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.

39. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria; and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks; with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
40. MR. WHEELER : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 (1.) The number of passengers booked at Daylesford Railway Station from the 1st June, 1883, to the 31st May, 1884;
 (2.) The number of tons of goods inwards and outwards for the same period, and the total amount of money received in both passenger and traffic branches for the same.
41. MR. HARPER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "*Statute of Trusts 1864.*"
42. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
43. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to establish a College of Justice.
44. MR. COPPIN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable persons to settle land in such manner as to make provision for their widows and infant children and for themselves in their old age.
45. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the action of the Honorable the Chief Secretary in connection with the Police Board appointed to deal with certain charges against Constable Maguire and Sergeant Scott is unauthorized by and contrary to law.
46. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the petition of George Urquhart, gentleman; such Committee to consist of _____ and the Mover, three to form a quorum; to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
2. MR. WOODS : To move, That the sale of opium in Victoria, except as directed by a legally-qualified medical man or pharmaceutical chemist, be prohibited.
3. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers or correspondence relative to the proposal of Captain Wagemann to supply the Mining Department with a German water auger for great depths, and an expert to work it.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.

Contingent on the Federation Resolutions being carried—

2. MR. WRIXON : To move, That such Address state that, in the opinion of this House, such draft Bill requires amendment in the following particulars :—
 (1.) That in addition to the representation provided by section five each colony be allotted representatives in proportion to its population, not exceeding, however, in any case a certain fixed number.
 (2.) That all matters referred to the Federal Council by any colony should be so referred by Act of Parliament of such colony, and not by mere resolution or address.
 (3.) That section sixteen of the draft Australasian interest with respect to which the Legislatures of the several colonies can legislate within their own limits, and as to which it is deemed desirable that there should be a law of general application"—be omitted.
 (4.) That section 27 requires amendment as far as Victoria is concerned, being at variance with the Constitution Act of this province.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
 Speaker.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

THURSDAY, 19TH JUNE, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision on the Estimates to supply text books for the use of Magistrates and Courts of Petty Sessions throughout the colony.
2. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will consider the propriety of offering some substantial recognition of the devotion to duty, under very trying circumstances, of Guard McMurtrie, at the Little River collision, in assisting the injured passengers when he was seriously suffering himself from injuries he had received through the accident.
3. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he is aware that the fee of 3s. 6d. is now charged for the registration of stock mortgages and liens on wool, although the affidavits verifying the same have been sworn before a Commissioner for taking affidavits instead of the Registrar-General, although 2s. 6d. is the fee imposed by law.
4. **MR. GARDINER** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to issue an order that the sixpence per diem paid to married policemen, in lieu of quarters, be paid to them on the first of the month along with their usual salary.
5. **MR. HALL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will, at an early date, give effect to the request of about twenty shires and boroughs, praying for legislation to prohibit the importation of, or manufacture, in the colony, of any description of matches other than "safety matches," so that the present danger of bush fires may be averted.
6. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether, now being aware that the Australian Electric Company arranged to amalgamate with the Australasian Electric Light Company, he intends to accept the highest tender, namely, that of the said Australian Electric Company.
7. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when he will be in a position to undertake the completion of the North-Eastern Railway duplication between Essendon and Seymour.
8. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If he, as Postmaster-General, gave a contract to the Australian Electric Company without calling for tenders.
 - (2.) If so, what was the amount of such contract.
9. **MR. HARPER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will take immediate steps to protect the officers of his department in the fulfilment of their duties in carrying out the provisions of the Tea Act from the reported interference of outside parties.
10. **MR. BOWMAN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to take into consideration the report of the Tariff Commission this Session.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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(200 copies.)

6. **MR. WHEELER** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move—

(1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883; namely:—

1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognizing the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion ; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
7. That the Convention expresses a confident hope that no penal settlement for the reception of European criminals will long continue to exist in the Pacific, and invites Her Majesty's Government to make to the Government of France such serious representations on this subject as may be deemed expedient—

records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.

- (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.
- (3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 24TH JUNE.

Questions.

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the list of Railway Employés recently published by the Commissioners in the *Government Gazette* contains all the particulars required by section 38 of Act No. 767.
2. **MR. LAURENS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether James McMurtrie, for some years employed in the Railway Department as a coachmaker, has ceased to be in the service consequent upon his recent comparatively long sickness from which he has for some time completely recovered.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE.

Questions:

1. **MR. WHEELER:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will make provision for the storage of dynamite at Daylesford in a building separate from the powder magazine.
2. **MR. SHACKELL:** To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into the best means of rendering the Murray River permanently navigable, and more particularly with the view of ultimately forming a Federal River Union or Trust.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—**

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Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

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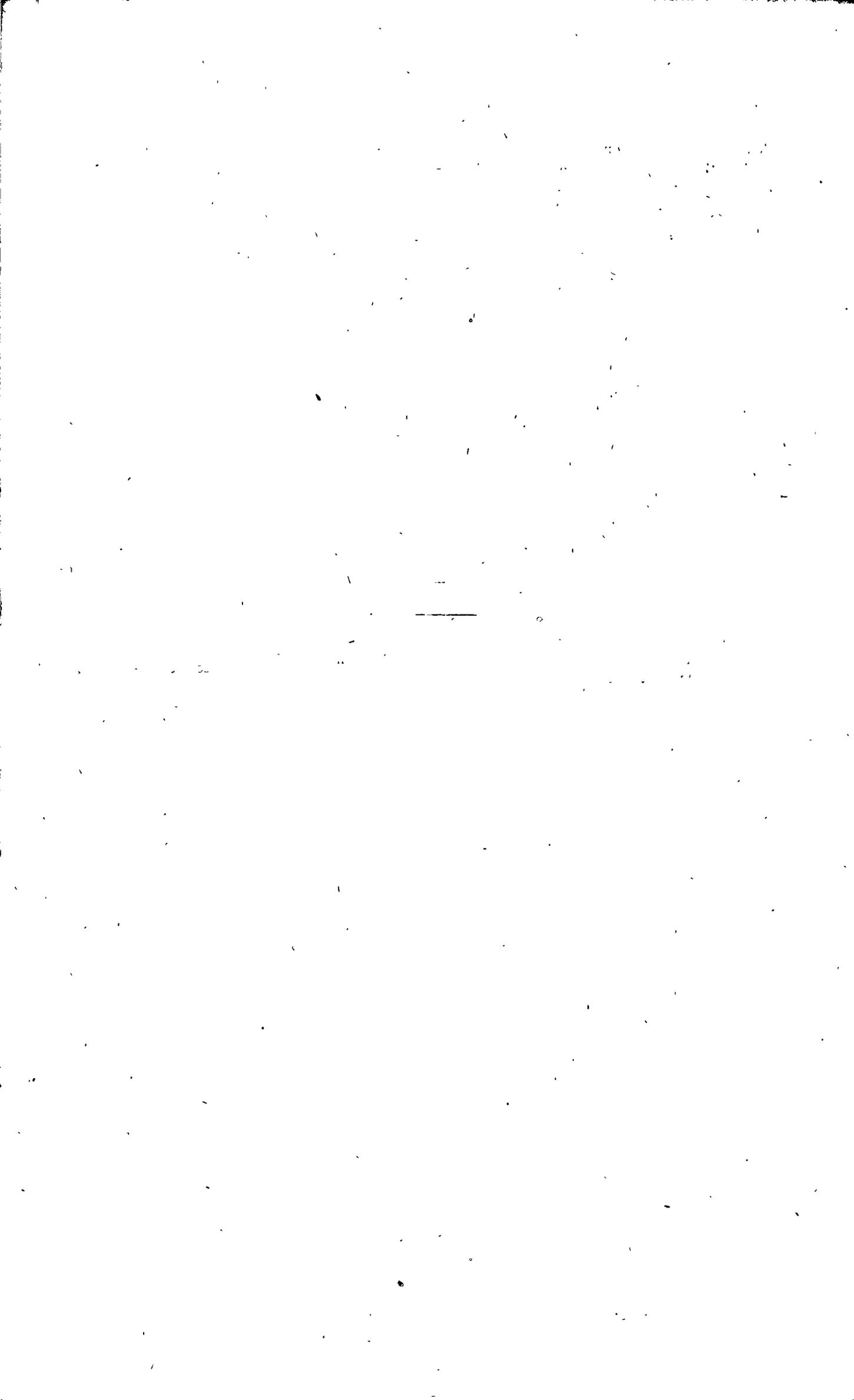
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 6.

TUESDAY, 24TH JUNE, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the list of Railway Employés recently published by the Commissioners in the *Government Gazette* contains all the particulars required by section 38 of Act No. 767.
2. **MR. LAURENS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether James McMurtrie, for some years employed in the Railway Department as a coachmaker, has ceased to be in the service consequent upon his recent comparatively long sickness from which he has for some time completely recovered.
3. **MR. DOW**: To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been directed to a notice in the Press indicating the desire of intending emigrants to obtain information about Victoria, as shown by applications made to the Australian cricketers now in England; and to ask what steps are being taken by the Government to distribute information of the kind referred to.
4. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH**: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if it is his intention to deliver the Budget Speech before the end of this financial year.
5. **MR. A. HARRIS**: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision on the Estimates to supply text books for the use of Magistrates and Courts of Petty Sessions throughout the colony.
6. **MR. GARDINER**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to issue an order that the sixpence per diem paid to married policemen, in lieu of quarters, be paid to them on the first of the month along with their usual salary.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. MIRAMS**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all the payments made by the Victorian Government to the Associated Banks during each year for the twenty-five years ending 31st December, 1883, under the following headings:—
 - (1.) Commissions paid upon the floating of Loans.
 - (2.) Commissions paid upon remittances to meet interest payable in London.
 - (3.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys brought from London for the Government.
 - (4.) Exchanges charged and paid upon all moneys forwarded to London on account of the Government.
 - (5.) Commissions paid upon Loans redeemed.
 - (6.) Interest paid upon advances to the Government.
 - (7.) Any other items not above specified; each item, if any, to be stated separately.
2. **MR. WHEELER**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of passengers booked at Daylesford Railway Station from the 1st June, 1883, to the 31st May, 1884;
 - (2.) The number of tons of goods inwards and outwards for the same period, and the total amount of money received in both passenger and traffic branches for the same.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—
 - (1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—
 1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
 2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
 3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.

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2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
 3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
 4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees, &c., &c., for 1883. No. 36.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JUNE, 1884.

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 - (2.) Whether such circular has been issued by the authority of the Defence Department or of the Honorable the Minister of Defence.
 - (3.) Whether it is the intention of the Defence Department to import any of such articles as may be ordered by the said officers as Government Stores, so as thereby to escape the duty.
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5. **MR. PEARSON** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether his attention has been given to the case of Philip Leucy, who has been twice brought up for murderous assaults on his wife; and whether he considers that the action taken by the magistrates on those occasions was a satisfactory enforcement of the law against wife-beaters.
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 - (1.) Were plans of Parliament House, in connection with the advertisement calling for "competitive designs, accompanied by tenders for the lighting Houses of Parliament by Electricity," supplied.
 - (2.) If so, to whom.
 - (3.) By whose authority.
10. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a paragraph from a letter from Monsieur De Court, the Consul for France, published at page 5 in the *Argus* of April the 9th, headed the "Récidivistes Question," in which the following passage appears:—"If more stringent measures were needed they would be carried out in the same spirit. Consequently, after all the abuse heaped upon us some time ago, especially by politicians on the other side of the border, flushed with the idea of their own importance, you may conceive my pleasure on reading the account of the recent debate in the Assembly on the question of Federation, and seeing one of the most respected, as well as one of the most-experienced of Australian statesmen, rendering justice to my country."
11. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision on the Estimates to supply text books for the use of Magistrates and Courts of Petty Sessions throughout the colony.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*To take precedence*) :—

1. **MR. BENT** : To move, That the ruling given by the Honorable the Speaker, on June 10th, 1884, regarding Mr. Zox's question, differs from the ruling given on June 19th, 1884, *re* Mr. Graves' question, and is not in accordance with the Standing Orders of this Assembly, and be disagreed with.

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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KERFERD: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the laws concerning Letters Patent for Inventions.
2. MR. LANGRIDGE: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to Merchant Shipping and Seamen.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*

(1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—

1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognising the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
7. That the Convention expresses a confident hope that no penal settlement for the reception of European criminals will long continue to exist in the Pacific, and invites Her Majesty's Government to make to the Government of France such serious representations on this subject as may be deemed expedient—

records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.

(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.

(3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.

2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. OFFICER: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the incorporation and government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria and for other purposes.
2. MR. OFFICER: To move, That all fees that may be incurred by the promoters of the Bill to provide for the incorporation and government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria and for other purposes, on its passage through this House, be remitted.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to suspend the operation of "*The Judicature Act 1883*" for a period of twelve months.
2. MR. MASON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the practice of the legal profession.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES ; To move for leave to introduce a Bill to further amend "*The Companies Statute 1864.*"
4. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to make better provision for the appointment of Justices of the Peace in Victoria.
5. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enforce early closing in business establishments in Victoria.
6. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers, and to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by workmen in their service.
7. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "*Printers' and Newspapers Registration Statute 1864.*"
8. MR. GRAVES ; To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Pounds Act 1874.*"
9. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the right of suing for penalties against persons disqualified to sit and vote in Parliament.
10. MR. RICHARDSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to establish equitable Councils of Conciliation to adjust differences between employers and workmen.
11. MR. HARPER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "*Statute of Trusts 1864.*"
12. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to establish a College of Justice.
13. MR. COPPIN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable persons to settle land in such manner as to make provision for their widows and infant children and for themselves in their old age.
14. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "*Bakers and Millers Statute 1865.*"
15. DR. ROSE : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to make better provision for enquiries with regard to boiler explosions.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration the petition of George Urquhart, gentleman; such Committee to consist of _____ and the Mover, three to form a quorum; to have power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
2. MR. WOODS : To move, That the sale of opium in Victoria, except as directed by a legally-qualified medical man or pharmaceutical chemist, be prohibited.
3. SIR C. MACMAHON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, an amalgamation of the two branches of the legal profession in Victoria would be advantageous to the community.
4. MR. ZOX : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
5. MR. WOODS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.
6. MR. NIMMO : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all instructions to the Police and Prosecutor for the Queen in the "Nathan case," and also all papers connected therewith.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
8. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

9. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
10. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
11. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
12. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
13. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
 The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
 That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
 That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House ; three to form a quorum.
14. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour-line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
15. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
16. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop ; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
17. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memos. thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
18. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
19. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
20. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That the action of the Honorable the Chief Secretary in connection with the Police Board appointed to deal with certain charges against Constable Maguire and Sergeant Scott is unauthorized by and contrary to law.
21. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

TUESDAY, 1ST JULY.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. TUCKER :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to the sale and occupation of Crown lands, and for other purposes.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the legalization of Trades' Unions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.

Upon the "Australasian Convention Resolutions" being carried—

4. MR. WRIXON : To move, That such Address state that, in the opinion of this House, such draft Bill requires amendment in the following particulars :—
- (1.) That in addition to the representation provided by section five each colony be allotted representatives in proportion to its population, not exceeding, however, in any case a certain fixed number.
 - (2.) That all matters referred to the Federal Council by any colony should be so referred by Act of Parliament of such colony, and not by mere resolution or address.
 - (3.) That section sixteen of the draft Bill and the following words of section fifteen, subsection (h)—
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 - (4.) That section 27 requires amendment as far as Victoria is concerned, being at variance with the Constitution Act of this province.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 25th June.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

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Post Office Savings Bank—Statement of Accounts. No. 19.

Order in Council—Land Act 1869.—Regulation. No. 34.

Annexation, Federation, and Foreign Convicts.—Correspondence. No. 38. (Issue completed.)

Message No. 1.—Marriage and Matrimonial Causes Statute 1864 Amendment Act. B.—No. 1.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

THURSDAY, 26TH JUNE, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether his attention has been called to a report that the bearer of a stolen pass-book obtained £50 from the Melbourne Post Office Savings Bank ; and whether the Government, the official, or the depositor will suffer by the fraud.
2. MR. W. M. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if any decision has been arrived at to supply the Titles Office with the safes required for the custody of deeds recommended by the Board and requisitioned for by the Registrar of Titles.
3. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General when the last list of Justices of the Peace for Victoria was printed for circulation ; and if he will direct to be printed and circulated to members of Parliament a list of all Justices of the Peace in Victoria.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEVIEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abate the nuisance relating to dogs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—
 - (1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—
 1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
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3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
 4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognising the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
 5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
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2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
 3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
 4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

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1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That the Address upon the "Australasian Convention Resolutions" state that, in the opinion of this House, the draft Bill requires amendment in the following particulars :—
 - (1.) That in addition to the representation provided by section five each colony be allotted representatives in proportion to its population, not exceeding, however, in any case a certain fixed number.
 - (2.) That all matters referred to the Federal Council by any colony should be so referred by Act of Parliament of such colony, and not by mere resolution or address.
 - (3.) That section sixteen of the draft Bill and the following words of section fifteen, subsection (h)—
 "And any other matter of general Australasian interest with respect to which the Legislatures of the several colonies can legislate within their own limits, and as to which it is deemed desirable that there should be a law of general application"—be omitted.
 - (4.) That section 27 requires amendment as far as Victoria is concerned, being at variance with the Constitution Act of this province.
2. MR. PEARSON : To move, That this colony will be responsible to Great Britain for the cost of annexing New Guinea and the Islands, up to whatever amount may be required in excess of the revenue derived from those possessions, with the understanding that the other Australian colonies may be admitted to share Victoria's responsibilities and rights at any time within twelve months.
3. MR. NIMMO : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all instructions to the Police and Prosecutor for the Queen in the "Nathan case," and also all papers connected therewith.

TUESDAY, 1ST JULY.

Question.

1. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will afford the same facilities to other centres of population as he has afforded to the City of Melbourne, by having dépôts opened for vaccination from calf lymph.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUCKER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to the sale and occupation of Crown lands, and for other purposes.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY.

Government Business.

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1. MR. DEAKIN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the legalization of Trades' Unions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee of the Whole.
2. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
3. PATENTS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
4. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. JUDICATURE ACT SUSPENSION BILL.—Second reading.
2. LEGAL PROFESSION PRACTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
6. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
8. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. OFFICER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the incorporation and government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria and for other purposes.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) If his attention has been called to the fact that a Mrs. Thompson was recently fined in the sum of £25 at the City Police Court, Melbourne, for selling liquor in the new Law Courts without a license.
 - (2.) Will he inform the House as to the manner in which Mrs. Thompson procured possession of the premises in which she is now conducting business at the Law Courts.
 - (3.) What rental does she pay for the said premises.
 - (4.) Was the right to dispense refreshments in the said premises submitted to public competition, or was Mrs. Thompson bargained with privately, and by whom.
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5. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) If he will state the total amount of money expended by the Public Works Department on what is known as the Broken Creek Water Scheme.
 - (2.) Whether he is aware that, in consequence of the works being left in an unfinished state, not only the residents through whose land the creek runs, but also the residents on the Major and Yabba Creeks are suffering a great injustice.
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6. **MR. PEARSON** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether he has received information why the charge brought against Philip Leucy was only one of threatening his wife's life; whether he is satisfied that the magistrates inflicted the severest sentence in their power; and if so, whether he will take steps to have the law amended so that wives may be adequately protected.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. DEAKIN** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the legalization of Trades' Unions.
2. **MR. TUCKER** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to the sale and occupation of Crown lands, and for other purposes.
3. **MR. LEVIEN** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abate the nuisance relating to dogs.

(200 copies.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—

(1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention held in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—

1. That further acquisition of dominion in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.
3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognising the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
7. That the Convention expresses a confident hope that no penal settlement for the reception of European criminals will long continue to exist in the Pacific, and invites Her Majesty's Government to make to the Government of France such serious representations on this subject as may be deemed expedient—

records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.

(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.

(3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.

2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
8. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. JUDICATURE ACT SUSPENSION BILL.—Second reading.
2. LEGAL PROFESSION PRACTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
6. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
8. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. GAUNSON: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. A. HARRIS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
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WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY.

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Private Bill Business.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 10.

THURSDAY, 3RD JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if it is the intention of the Government to carry out the implied promise of previous Governments, and meet the South Australian Main Trunk Line at or near Border Town, above Dimboola.
2. **MR. MIRAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
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 - (2.) Whether it be the intention of the Honorable the Minister of Defence to send abroad for the supply of saddlery and harness required for his department.
 - (3.) Will the Premier insist upon tenders being invited in the colony for the supply of all military requisites before any orders are sent abroad for the same.
3. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) If the Pier at Port Melbourne, heretofore known as Her Majesty's Government Railway Pier, at Sandridge, has been legally transferred to and vested in the Victorian Railways Commissioners; and if so, how long has this pier been under their sole control.
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 - (4.) Whether the Government have now any legal power as far as the Victorian Railways Commissioners, Piers are concerned, to prevent the recurrence of similar action.
4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Honorable the Minister of Defence has recently discharged certain members of the Permanent Artillery Force, and whether he intends to discharge other members thereof.
5. **MR. WRIXON** : To ask the Honorable Member for West Melbourne, Mr. Orkney, who presented the petition for leave to introduce the Scots' Church Bill, whether the pamphlet entitled "The Scots' Church Case," which has been sent to Members of the Legislature, has been so sent with the sanction of the promoters of the Bill.
6. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will consider the propriety of employing one Diamond drill on each central goldfield for prospecting purposes, instead of expending large sums in a prospecting vote.
7. **MR. DERHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs when he proposes to make arrangements to permit the resumption of oyster fishing in Western Port Bay.
8. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Minister of Defence will lend one Martini-Henry rifle to each of the country clubs for the use of those members who are not in a position to purchase one for themselves.
9. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he is aware that some of the gatekeepers in charge of double lines of railway are on duty for twelve hours a day, and only receive the same pay (viz., four shillings a day) as other gatekeepers who have charge of single lines, and are a shorter time on duty.
10. **MR. PEARSON** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (1.) Whether he will furnish the names of the magistrates before whom Philip Leucy was brought.
 - (2.) Whether he intends to take any, and, if so, what steps to mark his sense of the inadequate sentences inflicted on Philip Leucy.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. DEAKIN** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the legalization of Trades' Unions.
2. **MR. TUCKER** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to the sale and occupation of Crown lands, and for other purposes.
3. **MR. LEVIEN** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abate the nuisance relating to dogs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **AUSTRALASIAN CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—
 - (1.) That this House, having had under consideration the following resolutions adopted at the Australasian Convention in Sydney in November and December, 1883, namely:—
 1. That further acquisition of Sydney in the Pacific, south of the Equator, by any Foreign Power would be highly detrimental to the safety and well-being of the British possessions in Australasia, and injurious to the interests of the Empire.
 2. That this Convention refrains from suggesting the action by which effect can best be given to the foregoing resolution, in the confident belief that the Imperial Government will promptly adopt the wisest and most effectual measures for securing the safety and contentment of this portion of Her Majesty's dominions.

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3. That, having regard to the geographical position of the island of New Guinea, the rapid extension of British trade and enterprise in Torres Straits, the certainty that the island will shortly be the resort of many adventurous subjects of Great Britain and other nations, and the absence or inadequacy of any existing laws for regulating their relations with the native tribes, this Convention, while fully recognising that the responsibility of extending the boundaries of the Empire belongs to the Imperial Government, is emphatically of opinion that such steps should be immediately taken as will most conveniently and effectively secure the incorporation with the British Empire of so much of New Guinea and the small islands adjacent thereto as is not claimed by the Government of the Netherlands.
4. That although the understanding arrived at in 1878 between Great Britain and France, recognising the independence of the New Hebrides, appears to preclude this Convention from making any recommendation inconsistent with that understanding, the Convention urges upon Her Majesty's Government that it is extremely desirable that such understanding should give place to some more definite engagement, which shall secure those islands from falling under any foreign dominion; at the same time the Convention trusts that Her Majesty's Government will avail itself of any opportunity that may arise for negotiating with the Government of France, with the object of obtaining the control of those islands in the interests of Australasia.
5. That the Governments represented at this Convention undertake to submit and recommend to their respective Legislatures measures of permanent appropriation for defraying, in proportion to population, such share of the cost incurred in giving effect to the foregoing resolutions as Her Majesty's Government, having regard to the relative importance of Imperial and Australasian interests, may deem fair and reasonable.
6. That the Convention protests in the strongest manner against the declared intention of the Government of France to transport large numbers of relapsed criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific, and urges Her Majesty's Government to use every means in its power to prevent the adoption of a course so disastrous to the interests of Australasia and the Pacific Islands.
7. That the Convention expresses a confident hope that no penal settlement for the reception of European criminals will long continue to exist in the Pacific, and invites Her Majesty's Government to make to the Government of France such serious representations on this subject as may be deemed expedient—

records its entire approval of the said Resolutions.

- (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, informing him of the foregoing resolution.
- (3.) That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of constituting a Federal Council of Australasia upon the basis of the Draft Bill adopted by the Convention held in Sydney in the months of November and December, 1883.

—*To which the following amendment has been moved*—To omit all the words after the word "Australasia" in the Third Resolution, and to insert instead thereof the following words:—"Provided that in such measure care shall be taken to restrain such Federal Council from legislating upon or dealing with the customs and excise duties imposed by any of the colonies of Australasia, whether represented or not in such Federal Council and further restraining such Council from in any way interfering with the fiscal policy of any of the said Colonies."

2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 8TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. J. J. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether, in view of the alarming encroachment of sand on various parts of the coast of this colony, he would deem it advisable to counteract this almost national evil by some general comprehensive scheme, under the supervision of an officer possessed of all the latest information necessary for dealing with the matter.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision to supply on application a copy of Casey's Manual and Burn's Justice to Courts of Petty Sessions.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

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 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern and plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.

6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
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9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop ; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the action of the Honorable the Chief Secretary in connection with the Police Board appointed to deal with certain charges against Constable Maguire and Sergeant Scott is unauthorized by and contrary to law.
16. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JULY.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. BOILER EXPLOSIONS BILL.—Second reading.
6. LEGAL PROFESSION PRACTICE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. JUDICATURE ACT SUSPENSION BILL.—Second reading.
8. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is necessary, in the public interest, that all further interference by the Honorable the Chief Secretary with the discipline of the Police Force should cease.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 27 JUNE, 1884.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

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 - (1.) If his attention has been directed to sections 55 and 99 of "*The Licensing Act 1876*," prohibiting the presence of prostitutes on premises licensed under that Act longer than is necessary for the purpose of procuring refreshments, and empowering the forfeiture of any license on repeated conviction.
 - (2.) If his attention has been drawn to a leading article in the *Age* of last Saturday week, in which the following appears :—"There are about fifty houses within a mile of the Post-office that might have been closed any time in the last ten years on the simple ground that they are brothels. They are well known to the police. * * *"
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 - (4.) Whether the police have prosecuted the aforesaid fifty licensees at any time during the last ten years.
3. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he can take any action to prevent the persecution of citizens calling themselves the Salvation Army.
4. **MR. OFFICER** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if Dr. Youl, the President of the Board of Health, is permitted to visit, without having to undergo quarantine, the Sanatorium, where patients are at present confined on the supposition that they are suffering from small-pox.
5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he has refused to allow those selectors who have obtained licenses under section 19 of the Land Act 1869 for 320 acres, to select other 320 acres under the 49th section thereof.

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(After nine o'clock.)

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Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

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5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,

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WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision to supply on application a copy of Casey's Manual and Burn's Justice to each Court of Petty Sessions.
2. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he will consent to the appointment of a committee of duly qualified medical practitioners (who have had large experience in small-pox cases) to report on the several suspicious cases that now exist in the Melbourne Hospital, with a view of determining whether such cases are small-pox or not, and if they are not that of small-pox, are they of a contagious or infectious character or such as should be isolated.
3. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If his attention has been directed to sections 55 and 99 of "*The Licensing Act 1876*," prohibiting the presence of prostitutes on premises licensed under that Act longer than is necessary for the purpose of procuring refreshments, and empowering the forfeiture of any license on repeated conviction.
 - (2.) If his attention has been drawn to a leading article in the *Age* of last Saturday week, in which the following appears :—"There are about fifty houses within a mile of the Post-office that might have been closed any time in the last ten years on the simple ground that they are brothels. They are well known to the police. * * *"
 - (3.) Whether it is true that such houses are well known to the police.
 - (4.) Whether the police have prosecuted the aforesaid fifty licensees at any time during the last ten years "on the simple ground that they are brothels."
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he will direct that tenders be called for the supply of sand ballast at the Railway Pier, Port Melbourne.
5. **MR. LAURENS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he is aware that the Medical Superintendent of the Melbourne Hospital has for some time been anxious to vaccinate some sixty or seventy nurses, and also, in addition, students and porters, and that he has, more than once, applied to the officials of the Central Board of Health for vaccine tubes for the purpose of vaccinating these various persons, but that up to date he has not been supplied with a quantity sufficient to fully effect that object.
6. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been directed to the condition of the Melbourne Morgue ; and to ask for some becoming improvement to be made for the reception of the dead and the accommodation of the living.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the accounts taken before the Honorable Mr. Richardson when Commissioner of Lands, during six days' examination in the matter of *Julia Gordon v. Peter John Martin*, in January 1881 ; such return to state the dates and figures of the accounts so taken.
8. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the *Nelson* is required for drill purposes by the Commander of our naval forces ; if not, when he will take active steps to convert it into a training ship for criminal boys.
9. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has observed in the press the numerous complaints lately made in different parts of the colony in reference to closed roads ; and if so, what action does he intend to take to open the public roads, and when.
10. **MR. GARDINER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to the unfortunate accident which befell John O'Connor, a shunter on the Victorian Railways, at Spencer street, and the amount paid to him ; and to ask that a further sum be placed on the estimates to recompense him for the injuries he received.
11. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will state—
 - (1.) What the particular "unfitness" was, causing the discharge of the nine persons lately members of the Permanent Artillery force.
 - (2.) Whether such unfitness would be regarded in the Imperial Service as a ground for discharging soldiers.
 - (3.) Whether the Colonel-Commandant acted on the suggestion of the Minister of Defence.
12. **MR. GARDINER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will issue an order that the gate now closed on the east side of Prince's Park be opened for the convenience of the Brunswick and North Carlton residents and the public in general.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of gate-keepers' cottages on the Victorian Railways, with the aggregate annual cost of same, including all items.
 - (2.) The number of two-roomed cottages, with number, age, and sex of occupants in each cottage.

(200 copies.)

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the following Address to Her Majesty the Queen be agreed to by this House :—

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We, Your Majesty's faithful and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, approach Your Majesty's throne with feelings of loyalty, devotion, and attachment.

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2. MR. DEAKIN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill for the legalization of Trades' Unions.
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4. MR. LEVIEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abate the nuisance relating to dogs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.
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8. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
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(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. MR. OFFICER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the incorporation and government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria and for other purposes.
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3. MR. GILLIES : To move, That the Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with a view of introducing a Bill to facilitate the borrowing of money by the Melbourne Tramways Trust, for the construction of Tramways, and that leave be given to introduce such Bill.
4. MR. C. YOUNG : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the temporal affairs of the Scots Church, Melbourne.

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THURSDAY, 10TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he is aware that during the several trials of the cases for breaches of "*The Pounds Act 1874*," heard during the month of March last before the Police Magistrate, Mr. McCormick, that, commenting on the 12th section of this Act, under which these cases were brought, the Police Magistrate stated on the 7th March last "That the bench had to administer the 12th section of the Pounds Act of 1874 as they found it; at the same time he was surprised that this section of this Act had not been expunged long ago;" and that the same Police Magistrate, on the 24th March last, stated "That it was strange that the 12th section of "*The Pounds Act 1874*" had remained without amendment for 10 years, as it was so worded as to be a trap for people to gain money," and whether he will recommend these expressions of opinion by the Police Magistrate to the attention of the Government.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint Captain Mandeville to any other position in the Government service; and if so, will the Government before making such an appointment inform the House what position they propose to confer upon him.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HARPER : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that Order 65 of the Rules of the Supreme Court 1884, and also that portion of such rules which annuls the original rules contained in the Second Schedule to the "*Judicature Act 1883*" in so far as the same relates to Orders 63 and 64, forming part of such Second Schedule, may be annulled.

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(After nine o'clock.)

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NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. GARDINER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "*The Compulsory Life Assurance Act*."

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(After nine o'clock.)

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GEO. H. JENKINS,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 9th July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4 JULY, 1884.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[7]

Married Women's Property Bill.—[5] New clause to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. N. Thornley. (To Members of Council only.)

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[12]

Victorian Railways Commissioners—Report of the, for Quarter ending 31st March, 1884. No. 43.

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns. A.—No. 1.

Message No. 4.—County Court Judges Tenure Bill. B.—No. 4.

Petition—Local Option. E.—No. 1.

Attorneys and Solicitors Remuneration Bill.—[17] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Inebriates Act 1872 Amendment Bill.—[20] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Amendment by Mr. Wrixon to the motion for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the temporal affairs of the Scots Church. (To members of Assembly only.)

Zoological and Acclimatisation Society's Bill.—(Private.)

Scots Church Melbourne Temporal Affairs Regulation Bill.—(Private.)

Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill.—(Private.)

Melbourne Tramways Trust Bill.—(Private.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

THURSDAY, 10TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. GRAYES**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he is aware that during the several trials of the cases for breaches of "*The Pounds Act 1874*," heard during the month of March last before the Police Magistrate, Mr. McCormick, that, commenting on the 12th section of this Act, under which these cases were brought, the Police Magistrate stated on the 7th March last "That the bench had to administer the 12th section of the Pounds Act of 1874 as they found it, at the same time he was surprised that this section of this Act had not been expunged long ago;" and that the same Police Magistrate, on the 24th March last, stated "That it was strange that the 12th section of "*The Pounds Act 1874*" had remained without amendment for 10 years, as it was so worded as to be a trap for people to gain money," and whether he will recommend these expressions of opinion by the Police Magistrate to the attention of the Government.
2. **MR. ZOX**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint Captain Mandeville to any other position in the Government service; and if so, will the Government before making such an appointment inform the House what position they propose to confer upon him.
3. **MR. HALL**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will issue instructions for cheap fares on the railways, from all country stations to Melbourne, on the day previous to that to be proclaimed a public holiday for the reception of the Governor.
4. **MR. NIMMO**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if the whole area of the Mallee is to be immediately surveyed, or only such sections as may be required by the lessees.
5. **MR. SHACKELL**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will take steps to have a manuscript copy of the "Federal Council Resolutions and Draft Bill," as passed by the House, prepared, in order that every Member, favorable or otherwise, to the passing of such "Resolutions and Draft Bill" may have an opportunity of appending his autograph to same; and that such "Resolutions and Draft Bill," when signed, may appear among the records of this House, with photo-lithographic fac-simile copies of such signatures, as a permanent record and lasting memorial to the memory of those who have taken an active interest in laying the foundation for a great Federal Australasia, which may be deemed one of the greatest events in the history of any Parliament in Her Majesty's dominions.
6. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the immense value of the gold discovery to Victoria, he will favorably consider the claims of the discoverer, Mr. J. W. Esmond, to suitable employment in the Public Service.
7. **MR. MASON**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If he has received any information from the Agent-General in reference to an alleged agreement, entered into between the French and English Governments, to divide their responsibility over the islands in the Pacific; England to establish a protectorate over New Guinea, and France to establish a protectorate over the New Hebrides and other islands in the Pacific on which French interests have been established.
 - (2.) If the Premier has not received such a communication from the Agent-General, does he possess any information on the subject from any other source.
8. **MR. MASON**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will take steps to provide greater police protection for the Melbourne General Cemetery, and thus assist in protecting the graves from destruction and spoliation.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. MASON**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of public houses that were licensed in the city of Melbourne at the date of the passing of the present Licensing Act in 1876.
 - (2.) The number of licensed public houses at present in the city of Melbourne.
 - (3.) How many licenses have been forfeited since the passing of the present Act, and who were the licensing magistrates presiding on the occasion of such forfeiture.
 - (4.) What was the date and cause of forfeiture, and who opposed the granting of such licenses.
 - (5.) How many licenses have been granted by the City of Melbourne Licensing Magistrates during the time the Act has been in existence, notwithstanding the opposition of the police.
 - (6.) Have any licenses been opposed by the police during the last ten years "on the simple ground that the houses were brothels"; if so, how many, and what was the date of such opposition, and what were the names of the licensing magistrates.
 - (7.) What were the names of the licensing magistrates who presided on the City of Melbourne Licensing Bench in the years 1882 and 1883.
 - (8.) How many licenses were refused by the said Bench in 1882.
 - (9.) How many licenses were opposed by the police in 1883, and how many of such licenses did the Bench refuse on the opposition of the police.
 - (10.) How many licenses did the police oppose during the years 1882 and 1883, "on the simple ground that they were brothels."

(200 copies.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEVIEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to abate the nuisance relating to dogs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. DOG BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
3. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
4. PATENTS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—Second reading.
7. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
8. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
9. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY.—To be considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HARPER : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that Order 65 of the Rules of the Supreme Court 1884, and also that portion of such rules which annuls the original rules contained in the Second Schedule to "*The Judicature Act 1883*" in so far as the same relates to Orders 63 and 64, forming part of such Second Schedule, may be annulled.

TUESDAY, 15TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision to supply on application a copy of Casey's Manual and Burn's Justice to each Court of Petty Sessions.
2. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture if he will consider the desirability of asking Parliament to amend the law so as to permit the vigneron and others in the Geelong district that have had their vines destroyed, to replant with valoxera-proof vines from America.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JULY.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRADES' UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. BOILER EXPLOSIONS BILL.—Second reading.
6. LEGAL PROFESSION PRACTICE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. JUDICATURE ACT SUSPENSION BILL.—Second reading.
8. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. GARDINER : To move for leave to introduce a Bill intituled "*The Compulsory Life Assurance Act.*"

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
2. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the consideration of Bills relating to printers and newspapers registration.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.
2. MR. McCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
 - The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
 - That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
 - That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.

9. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
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14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
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16. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. NIMMO :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all instructions to the Police and Prosecutor for the Queen in the "Nathan case," and also all papers connected therewith.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 10th July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10 JULY, 1884.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 7.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[8]
 Married Women's Property Bill.—[5] As reported 9th July. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 12.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13]
 Royal Commission on Education—Report of the Chairman of the Commission; Third and Final Report of the Commissioners; Memorandum by the Acting Chairman; and Memorandum by those Commissioners who have not signed the Report. No. 47. (To Members of both Houses.)
 Standing Orders—First Report from the Select Committee of. D.—No. 1.
 Crown Lands Bill.—[3] (To Members of both Houses.)
 The Pounds Act 1874 Amendment Bill.—[39]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision to supply on application a copy of Casey's Manual and Burn's Justice to each Court of Petty Sessions.
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3. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will state—
 - (1.) What the particular "unfitness" was, causing the discharge of the nine persons lately members of the Permanent Artillery force.
 - (2.) Whether such unfitness would be regarded in the Imperial Service as a ground for discharging soldiers.
 - (3.) Whether the Colonel-Commandant acted on the suggestion of the Minister of Defence.
4. **MR. BAKER** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether, in view of the permanent settlement of the Mallee territory, as well as that of the Western and Great North-western plains, he will be prepared to place at the disposal of the several Water Trusts interested one or more of the diamond drills in order to discover by boring, if possible, a subterraneous supply of fresh water; if so, at what charge per drill, and about what time the drills can be secured.
5. **MR. STAUGHTON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Government propose to introduce a short Bill this session to enable the Victorian Water Supply Department to give effect to the requirements and intentions of section 82 of "*The Victorian Water Conservation Act 1881*."
6. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) If the provisions contained in section 72 of "*The Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883*" extend to all employes gazetted in May last, as per section 38 of said Act.
 - (2.) If not, will he cause a return to be prepared giving the names and rank of all employes entitled to the "rights, privileges, and immunities," under Act, No. 160, also a list of those that are not so entitled.
7. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) Whether employes in the Railway Department whose remuneration is computed by day pay, other than day laborers, are entitled to compensation or retiring allowance under section 72 of "*The Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883*."
 - (2.) If so, will he cause the names of all such employes to be published in the *Government Gazette*.
8. **MR. DOW** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he has yet decided upon an answer to the deputation of 28th May, from St. Arnaud and other Shire Councils, asking for a reduction of grain freights; and if so, what his decision is.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) If it is true that the Public Parks and Gardens Board, consisting of a majority of the City Corporation, have resolved to reduce the number of men employed in such gardens.
 - (2.) Has the Minister delegated to this Board the power of dismissing persons who have been employed on the same for the Government for over twenty years.
 - (3.) Does the Minister intend to carry out the decision of the Board.
10. **MR. J. J. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education—
 - (1.) Whether the provisions of the 21st section of "*The Education Act 1872*" have been carried out since 1881; and if not, will he state the cause of such omission.
 - (2.) When the next returns in accordance with the provisions of this section will be prepared.
11. **MR. GARDINER** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will cause inquiries to be made into the case of a Mrs. Johnson, who was arrested and locked up from Saturday to Monday, in the month of May of this year, through not being able to satisfy an order of the Court, viz., for a fine inflicted on her for her son being absent from a State school, North Carlton.
12. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether, from the reports and statements of the inspectors of licensed premises, liquors, and excise, can he state how the excise duty on colonial beer affected the general public consuming same as to quantity, quality, and price.
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2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. BOILER EXPLOSIONS BILL.—Second reading.
6. LEGAL PROFESSION PRACTICE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. JUDICATURE ACT SUSPENSION BILL.—Second reading.
8. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

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Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

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1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
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6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
7. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 15.

THURSDAY, 17TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will make provision to supply on application a copy of Casey's Manual and Burn's Justice to each Court of Petty Sessions.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will state—
 - (1.) What the particular "unfitness" was, causing the discharge of the nine persons lately members of the Permanent Artillery force.
 - (2.) Whether such unfitness would be regarded in the Imperial Service as a ground for discharging soldiers.
 - (3.) Whether the Colonel-Commandant acted on the suggestion of the Minister of Defence.
3. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether, in view of the permanent settlement of the Mallee territory, as well as that of the Western and Great North-western plains, he will be prepared to place at the disposal of the several Water Trusts interested one or more of the diamond drills in order to discover by boring, if possible, a subterraneous supply of fresh water ; if so, at what charge per drill, and about what time the drills can be secured.
4. MR. STAUGHTON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether the Government propose to introduce a short Bill this session to enable the Victorian Water Supply Department to give effect to the requirements and intentions of section 82 of "*The Victorian Water Conservation Act 1881.*"
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 - (2.) If so, will he cause the names of all such employés to be published in the *Government Gazette*.
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8. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) If it is true that the Public Parks and Gardens Board, consisting of a majority of the City Corporation, have resolved to reduce the number of men employed in such gardens.
 - (2.) Has the Minister delegated to this Board the power of dismissing persons who have been employed on the same for the Government for over twenty years.
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 - (1.) Whether the provisions of the 21st section of "*The Education Act 1872*" have been carried out since 1881; and if not, will he state the cause of such omission.
 - (2.) When the next returns in accordance with the provisions of this section will be prepared.
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(Until nine o'clock.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 16.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) If the provisions contained in section 72 of "*The Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883*" extend to all employes gazetted in May last, as per section 38 of said Act.
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 - (1.) Whether the provisions of the 21st section of "*The Education Act 1872*" have been carried out since 1881 ; and if not, will he state the cause of such omission.
 - (2.) When the next returns in accordance with the provisions of this section will be prepared.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers and correspondence relative to the establishment of a Court of Petty Sessions at Wyndham, and also as to the application of Mr. Wall for a publican's license.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **DOG BILL**.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
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4. **CROWN LANDS BILL**.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
5. **PATENTS BILL**.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
6. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.
7. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—Second reading.
8. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
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12. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. **DOG BILL**.—Second reading.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to establish a fund for the relief of the sufferers by the recent mining accident at Creswick, and for other purposes.
2. MR. PEARSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1884.

Question.

1. MR. CONNOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture if he will consider the desirability of asking Parliament to amend the law so as to permit the vigneron and others in the Geelong district that have had their vines destroyed, to replant with valoxera-proof vines from America.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. C. YOUNG: To move, That the Bill to regulate the temporal affairs of the Scots Church, Melbourne, be now read a second time.

General Business.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JULY, 1884.

Mr. Speaker will take the Chair at Seven o'clock.

Questions.

1. MR. CONNOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture if he will consider the desirability of asking Parliament to amend the law so as to permit the vigneron and others in the Geelong district that have had their vines destroyed, to replant with phylloxera-proof vines from America.
2. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) Whether employes in the Railway Department whose remuneration is computed by day pay, other than day laborers, are entitled to compensation or retiring allowance under section 72 of "The Victorian Railways Commissioners Act 1883."
 - (2.) If so, will he cause the names of all such employes to be published in the *Government Gazette*.
3. MR. J. J. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether the provisions of the section 21 of "The Education Act 1872" have been carried out since 1881; and if not, will he state the cause of such omission.
 - (2.) When the next returns in accordance with the provisions of this section will be prepared.
4. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he considers that licensees and selectors under the "The Land Act 1869," by taking in cattle to graze or by allowing other persons to use the grass or other produce of vegetation, thereby forfeit such selections.
5. MR. SHACKELL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he is aware that large quantities of redgum and other valuable timber are now being destroyed along the Murray frontage, below Swan Hill (by ringing); and whether he will call for a report from the officer in charge of that district, with a view of preventing further destruction of timber by ringing.
6. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will cause an investigation to be made into the case of Rosanna Plummer (now awaiting sentence for the murder of her child) as to her sanity or otherwise.
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9. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the Government have any objection to set apart a time for the purpose of debating a motion relative to the desirability of abolishing the duty on cornsacks, as recommended by the Tariff Commission.
10. MR. MASON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has any objection to inform the House of the date when he purposes proceeding with the alterations which are admitted by his officers to be necessary, at the various railway stations on the main Gippsland railway line.
11. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (1.) Whether the gold in the reefs or alluvial drifts belongs to the duly licensed and authorized miner, or the owner of the surface.
 - (2.) Whether the owner of the surface has any right to extort a royalty or payment for the extraction of such gold.
12. MR. WRIXON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the reports recently made public as to the disorganised and dangerous condition of the Pentridge Penal Establishment are well founded.

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(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to apply out of "The Railway Loan Account 1881" certain sums of money for permanent way material, rolling stock, and other works.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WAYS AND MEANS.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. DOG BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
3. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
4. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—To be considered in Committee.
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12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. DOG BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. C. YOUNG : To move, That the Bill to regulate the temporal affairs of the Scots Church, Melbourne, be now read a second time.
2. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That compliance with Standing Order No. 10, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
3. MR. ZOZ : To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 11, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
4. MR. BENT : To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 51, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
5. MR. OFFICER : To move, That "*A Bill to provide for the incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria, and for other purposes*, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Coppin, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
2. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864*."
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 — Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883*," to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
2. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, and as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
8. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
9. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
10. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
11. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
12. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.

13. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
14. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
15. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
16. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
17. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

THURSDAY, 24TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WALKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

TUESDAY, 29TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. GRANT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsternwick; and, if not, if he will be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored.
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WEDNESDAY, 30TH JULY.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
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6. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
7. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages, calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The cost of the West Melbourne Swamp reclamation works, including all charges to date.
 - (2.) The annual cost of maintenance and annual revenue from the same.
 - (3.) The state and cost of works under the various water trusts, the authority under which such works were constructed, and the losses so far incurred by their failure or partial failure.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.

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5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
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 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—

- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
- (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
- (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

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Questions.

1. MR. GRANT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsterwick; and, if not, will he be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored.
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3. MR. GRANT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to bring in and pass into law during this Parliament a Bill for the amendment of the Electoral Law.
4. MR. MIRAMS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when he expects to be in a position to go on with the erection of the front of Parliament House.
5. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government will take into consideration the propriety of charging sixpence for a telegram of six words and under, and for over six and up to fifteen words one shilling.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That there be laid before this House a return for the year ended 30th June, 1883, showing the daily average number of patients in each public hospital in the colony.
2. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the cost, so far as the Government is in a position to ascertain the same—
 - (1.) Of providing every male adult in Victoria capable of bearing arms with a rifle.
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Government Business.

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1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—Consideration of Report.
2. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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(After nine o'clock.)

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1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
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5. BOILER EXPLOSIONS BILL.—Second reading.
6. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
7. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

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18. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.

3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognaté subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”
3. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“in the opinion of this House, it is not desirable to discuss the advisability of removing the Stock Tax, or remitting duties on any other items, until the whole question of tariff reform is under consideration.”
4. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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PETER LALOR,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 29th July.

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

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25 JULY, 1884.

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

Married Women's Property Bill.—[5] Amendment proposed by the Hon. N. Thornley. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[19]

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns. A.—No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether it is true that the South Melbourne battery of militia has not been furnished with new uniforms.
 - (2.) And whether any payment is due to them.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will extend the time for opening tenders for the Silvery Creek waterworks and tunnel till the end of August.
3. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he is correctly reported in the *Argus* of the 29th instant, to have stated at a public meeting in this city, that there was one million of money in the banks for formation of new railways, and a supply of rolling-stock and permanent way and rails to make 700 miles of railways, would it not have been almost criminal for any Government not to take the earliest steps possible to utilize this sum and material.
4. **MR. W. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if, following up the recommendations of the Titles Board, he intends taking measures to bring about a more satisfactory state of things as regards surveys, than now exists, so that lands as occupied may be accurately shown on the certificates of title issued from the Titles office.
5. **MR. FINCHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, on delivery of the mails at the General Post Office, registered letters are separated from the ordinary mail bags and locked in safes, or otherwise taken especial care of ; and, if not, will he inform the House what protection is afforded to registered letters for the fee charged.
6. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when he intends to have the weather sheds erected at the Lal Lal and Yendon railway stations.
7. **MR. FINCHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the statement that appears in the *Daily Telegraph* of the 29th instant is correct, that dissatisfaction exists among the officers in respect to the mode in which men are now passed into the service of the Railway Department under the new Railways Management Act, and that officers have found that very inferior men have secured appointments under the system required by the Act ; and, if so, is it the intention of the Government to propose such amendments in the regulations as may be shown to be necessary.
8. **MR. M. H. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General whether he will take into consideration an alteration of the law relating to coroners' inquests.
9. **DR. QUICK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether it is a fact that guard E. H. Knight, of Echuca and Sandhurst, retired on the faith of a previous understanding that he would receive the usual allowance of one month's pay for every year of service, and that he was only offered nine months' pay although he had been twenty-two years in the service.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsternwick ; and, if not, will he be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored.
11. **DR. QUICK** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General what arrangements he proposes to make for the discharge of the duties of coroner at Sandhurst, and for the prevention of inconvenience to the public through Mr. O'Meara, Clerk of Courts, being compelled to leave his office, from time to time, to hold inquests.
12. **MR. GRANT** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to bring in and pass into law during this Parliament a Bill for the amendment of the Electoral Law.

NOTICES OF MOTION: (Unopposed) :—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The cost of the West Melbourne Swamp reclamation works, including all charges to date.
 - (2.) The annual cost of maintenance and annual revenue from the same.
 - (3.) The state and cost of works under the various water trusts, the authority under which such works were constructed, and the losses so far incurred by their failure or partial failure.
2. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the tenders and papers in connection with the proposed Post and Telegraph Office at North Fitzroy.
3. **MR. JAMES** : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers and correspondence relating to the Chinese leper, Chin Ah Quong, lately discharged from the Ballarat district hospital.
4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the detailed expenditure in connection with the voyage of Lieutenant Collins to England and his return to Victoria, and particularly stating—
 - (1.) The amount paid for passage to England.
 - (2.) The amount of pay from date of leaving to returning, both inclusive.
 - (3.) The amount of allowances designating same and the several amounts.
 - (4.) The expenses connected with his return to Victoria.
 - (5.) The pay he is now receiving.
5. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of money expended under the authority of the engineer of existing lines, giving full details since 1st April, 1883.

(200 copies.)

Government Business. (Until nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
8. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
12. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
13. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. BOILER EXPLOSIONS BILL.—Second reading.
6. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
7. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. UREN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the detailed expenditure or application of the £110,000 yearly appropriated by “*The Discipline Act 1883,*” and particularly stating—
 - (1.) The names and rank in the Imperial Service of the military and naval officers, non-commissioned officers and men, who have been specially brought from England.
 - (2.) The salary and allowances designating same, and the several amounts thereof respectively paid to the aforesaid.
 - (3.) The sums set apart for the military and naval forces, showing pay and allowances in detail for each rank.
4. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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THURSDAY, 31st JULY.

Question.

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he will make enquiries into the case of a seaman named John Bock who was injured in the execution of his duty, on board H.M.S. “*Cerberus,*” in March 1883.

(To take precedence.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. **MR. KEYS:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether his attention has been directed to a circular issued by the Under-Secretary, dated 23rd June, 1884, to municipal officers, requiring them to furnish Electoral Registrars with an alphabetical list of ratepayers, such alphabetical arrangement to be carried out to every letter of the surnames; and to ask him if it is not the duty of Electoral Registrars to do this work; if not, will he state what work is performed by Electoral Registrars to entitle them to receive £25 a year salary.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. BOSISTO:** To move, That compliance with Standing Order No. 10, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
2. **MR. ZOZ:** To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 11, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
3. **MR. BENT:** To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 51, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
4. **MR. OFFICER:** To move, That "*A Bill to provide for the incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria, and for other purposes*," be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Coppin, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. **DR. ROSE:** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. **MR. M. H. DAVIES:** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. **MR. WRIXON:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. **MR. MCLEAN:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. **MR. W. M. CLARK:** To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
9. **MR. W. M. CLARK:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
10. **MR. D. M. DAVIES:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
11. **MR. BENT:** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. **EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.**—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS :** To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof, form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.

- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."
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| On every fat sheep | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6d. |
- and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

In Committee on the Crown Lands Bill—

1. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the following clause be added to the Bill:—
- A. Every person who (at the commencement of this Act) is in the occupation of any lands under a pastoral license and has occupied such lands for the three years next preceding the commencement of this Act shall be entitled to take up on application to the Board one allotment within the land described in this Act as pastoral land having a grazing capacity of 4000 sheep or 500 head of cattle.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 30th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 31ST JULY, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he will make enquiries into the case of a seaman named John Bock who was injured in the execution of his duty, on board H.M.S. "Cerberus," in March 1883.
2. MR. GARDINER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has communicated with the Trustees of the Melbourne Cemetery, *re* obstruction in front of east gate at Prince's Park.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) Are Mud Islands reserved.
 - (2.) If so, when and by what authority.
 - (3.) Has a lease, for removing guano therefrom, been granted.
 - (4.) If so, when, for what term, and at what rent?
 - (5.) Is the Honorable the Commissioner aware of any authority to grant any other than a license for reserves, and then only for grazing purposes.
 - (6.) Is it a fact that a letter, stated to have been received by the Lands Department from the Honorable J. F. Levien, the Minister of Mines and Agriculture, covering £1 7s. 6d., the balance of the first quarter's rent for Mud Islands, has not been furnished with the papers laid on the Table of the House relating to Mud Islands.
4. MR. GARDINER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will cause to be permanently reserved for recreation purposes sections 132 and 133 at North Carlton.
5. MR. ANDERSON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when it is his intention to introduce a Bill to amend the Licensing Act.
6. MR. GARDINER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has made any enquiries into the case of the hunter John O'Connor; and, if so, would he be good enough to make them known; and also to ask what he intends to do for this unfortunate man.
7. MR. REES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the station accommodation at the Lara station will be proceeded with.
8. MR. GRANT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsternwick; and, if not, will he be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored.
9. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he is aware that in some mining districts, Mining Registrars compel payment of a fee of 2s. 6d. on the annual renewal of the registration of residence areas under section 5 of the Residence Areas Act; and whether he is advised that the exaction of such fee is according to law.
10. MR. GRANT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to bring in and pass into law during this Parliament a Bill for the amendment of the Electoral Law.

(To take precedence.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

NOTICES OF MOTION (Unopposed):—

1. MR. JAMES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers and correspondence relating to the Chinese leper, Chin Ah Quong, lately discharged from the Ballarat district hospital.
2. MR. W. MADDEN : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of Mr. Black's report on the proposed re-survey of Melbourne and suburbs.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
4. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
6. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
7. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
8. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
11. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
12. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

General Business.**NOTICE OF MOTION :—**

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing in what Departments, including the Victorian Railways Commissioners' Department, Hunter's disinfectant is used, the amount contracted to be delivered, the time during which it is to be delivered, and the sum to be paid.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

Question.

1. **MR. KEYS :** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, whether his attention has been directed to a circular issued by the Under-Secretary, dated 23rd June, 1884, to municipal officers, requiring them to furnish Electoral Registrars with an alphabetical list of ratepayers, such alphabetical arrangement to be carried out to every letter of the surnames; and to ask him if it is not the duty of Electoral Registrars to do this work; if not, will he state what work is performed by Electoral Registrars to entitle them to receive £25 a year salary.

Government Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY :—**

1. **CROWN LANDS BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. **MR. BOSISTO :** To move, That compliance with Standing Order No. 10, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
2. **MR. ZOX :** To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 11, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
3. **MR. BENT :** To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 51, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
4. **MR. OFFICER :** To move, That "*A Bill to provide for the incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria, and for other purposes*, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Coppin, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—**

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. **DR. ROSE :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. **MR. M. H. DAVIES :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. **MR. MCLEAN :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. **MR. W. M. CLARK :** To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
9. **MR. W. M. CLARK :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
10. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
11. **MR. BENT :** To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.

13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
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19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Consideration of Report.
3. **COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Third reading.
5. **INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.**—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **MR. UREN** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. **MR. REID** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
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 (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
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In Committee on the Crown Lands Bill—

1. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the following clause be added to the Bill:—
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
 Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 31st July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 31 JULY, 1884.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13]

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 1.

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] New clauses proposed by the Hon. W. E. Hearn; new clause to be inserted after clause 10, proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert; and Amendment proposed by the Hon. J. A. Wallace. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 20.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[21]

Married Women's Property Bill.—[5] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. KEYS:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether his attention has been directed to a circular issued by the Under-Secretary, dated 23rd June, 1884, to municipal officers, requiring them to furnish Electoral Registrars with an alphabetical list of ratepayers, such alphabetical arrangement to be carried out to every letter of the surnames; and to ask him if it is not the duty of Electoral Registrars to do this work; if not, will he state what work is performed by Electoral Registrars to entitle them to receive £25 a year salary.
2. **MR. COPPIN:** To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Cabinet has yet fully considered the offer of the Western Port Coal Company, as contained in a letter from the Secretary, dated 9th June, 1884, to sell to the Government their railway, jetty, rolling-stock, &c., and to spend the entire sum received for same in developing the mine.
3. **MR. WRIXON:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether his attention has been called to a public and official statement as to an alleged conspiracy, by certain officers of a shire council and others, to defraud the Revenue, and whether he will enquire into the truth of such statement; and, if it be found true, take steps to vindicate the law.
4. **DR. QUICK:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he will, at an early date, appoint the Clerks of Courts or other competent persons in country districts deputy prothonotaries under section 42 of the Judicature Act, in order that country litigants and practitioners may enjoy the convenience contemplated by law; and whether he will invite their Honors the Judges to frame the necessary rules as provided by that section.
5. **MR. WRIXON:** To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is true that the Government refuse to sanction rifle clubs in places where there are militia corps.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he will make enquiries into the case of a seaman named John Bock who was injured in the execution of his duty, on board H.M.S. "Cerberus," in March 1883.
7. **MR. GARDINER:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has made any enquiries into the case of the shunter John O'Connor; and, if so, would he be good enough to make them known; and also to ask what he intends to do for this unfortunate man.
8. **MR. GRANT:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsternwick; and, if not, will he be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored, and inform the House of the result of his communication with the Railway Commissioners.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
8. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
12. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
13. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is undesirable to grant a lease of Mud Islands.
2. **MR. BENT:** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
3. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing in what Departments, including the Victorian Railways Commissioners' Department, Hunter's disinfectant is used, the amount contracted to be delivered, the time during which it is to be delivered, and the sum to be paid.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

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To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That compliance with Standing Order No. 10, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
2. MR. ZOZ : To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 11, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 51, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
4. MR. OFFICER : To move, That “*A Bill to provide for the incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria, and for other purposes*,” be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Coppin, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the “*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*”
7. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
9. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*” to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
10. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
11. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

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9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.

13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Consideration of Report.
3. **COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Third reading.
5. **INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.**—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **MR. UREN** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
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WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

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1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
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- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 5th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 6th August.

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

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Crown Lands Bill.—[3] . Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Dow ; new clause to be proposed by Mr. Officer ; and new clauses to be proposed by the Hon. W. Madden. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. W. MADDEN**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government will appoint a Royal Commission of professional men to take evidence and report—
 - (1.) As to the best and cheapest method of obtaining a re-survey of Melbourne and suburbs, and
 - (2.) Generally, as to the best means of providing that lands as actually occupied be accurately shown on the certificates of title issued from the Titles office.
2. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will introduce a short Bill to compel the Melbourne Harbor Trust to lay before Parliament for approval any contract they may make out of the colony for the importation of machinery and plant without the previous consent of the Legislative Assembly.
3. **MR. W. M. CLARK**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when plans for the new dredge will be ready; and if tenders for the dredge will be called for in the colony.
4. **MR. W. MADDEN**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if his attention has been called to the rapid increase in the number of rabbits on Crown lands in many parts of the Wimmera district; and to ask if energetic action will be taken at once to destroy them.
5. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware that the Commissioners of Railways have reduced some of the railway employes who are employed on Sundays from double to single time (on that day); and, if so, whether he approves of the reduction.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he can furnish Parliament with a return of the money expended out of the colony by the Melbourne Harbor Trust, since its establishment, in the purchase of plant and machinery.
7. **DR. QUICK**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what steps he has taken with a view to purchasing the "Hanging Rock," and permanently reserving it for public use.
8. **MR. WRIXON**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government will bring in a Bill this session to provide for the adequate punishment of larrikin offences.
9. **MR. GARDINER**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has made any enquiries into the case of the shunter John O'Connor; and, if so, would he be good enough to make them known; and also to ask what he intends to do for this unfortunate man.
10. **MR. GRANT**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the consequences to the inhabitants of Brighton and neighbourhood caused by the recent alterations in the time table by which certain trains have their termini at Elsternwick; and, if not, will he be good enough to bring the same under the notice of the Railway Commissioners with the view of having the same remedied, if possible, by having the last time table used by the Hobson's Bay Company restored, and inform the House of the result of his communication with the Railway Commissioners.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LEVIEN**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to take into consideration the registration fee chargeable on dogs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **CROWN LANDS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
5. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
6. **PATENTS BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL**.—Second reading.
8. **TRADES UNIONS BILL**.—Second reading.
9. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. **DOG BILL**.—Second reading.
12. **CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL**.—Second reading.
13. **DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL**.—Second reading.
14. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That compliance with Standing Order No. 10, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
2. MR. ZOX : To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 11, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That Standing Orders Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 51, relating to the introduction of Private Bills, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, and for other purposes, and that he have leave to introduce such Bill.
4. MR. OFFICER : To move, That "*A Bill to provide for the incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria, and for other purposes*, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Coppin, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Robertson, and the Mover, and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
9. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
10. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
11. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.

3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.

18. MR. PEARSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is undesirable to grant a lease of Mud Islands.
21. MR. BENT: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz.:—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and-stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
22. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing in what Departments, including the Victorian Railways Commissioners' Department, Hunter's disinfectant is used; the amount contracted to be delivered, the time during which it is to be delivered, and the sum to be paid.
23. MR. ZOX: To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
24. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of
 , and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved:—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved:—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment:—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

Questions.

THURSDAY, 7TH AUGUST.

1. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he intends to have any official inspection of the gullet opened at the Grampians before Parliament is called upon to give its decision as to the advisability of using the stone in completing the Parliament Buildings; and, if so, will he appoint Professor Newbery and Mr. Murray on such Commission, together with other practical men.
2. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is true that the practice of receiving and sending “collect” telegrams has been stopped; and, if so, whether some arrangements cannot be made for resuming it.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
 3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
 4. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
 5. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 6. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

(1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.

- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled; in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Members for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 6th August.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past three o'clock.
LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

Tuesday, 12th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1 AUGUST, 1884.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 14.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[15]

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] New clause proposed by the Hon. J. Bell. (To Members of Council only.)

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] Amendments to be proposed in Committee by the Hon. F. T. Sargood. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 21 and 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[23]

Registrar of Friendly Societies—Report of the; for the Year ending 31st December, 1883. No. 46.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he intends to have any official inspection of the gullet opened at the Grampians before Parliament is called upon to give its decision as to the advisability of using the stone in completing the Parliament Buildings; and, if so, will he appoint Professor Newbery and Mr. Murray on such Commission, together with other practical men.
2. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is true that the practice of receiving and sending "collect" telegrams has been stopped; and, if so, whether some arrangements cannot be made for resuming it.
3. MR. GARDINER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has given orders to the trustees of the Melbourne Cemetery to remove the obstruction in front of the east gate at Princes Park.
4. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Council of Defence have refused the application of Captain Thurkettle to be placed on the retired or unattached lists, that officer having held a commission for over ten years in the Volunteer Force.
5. MR. RICHARDSON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he has any objection to lay before this House a copy of the papers connected with the inquiry in the case of the New North Clunes Company.
6. MR. NIMMO: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the stagnant water will be removed from under that portion of the St. Kilda railway, that rests on piles, between the Sandridge road and the river Yarra.
7. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he will expedite the commencement of the Silvery Creek and other proposed contracts, in order to provide work for the unemployed.
8. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways what will be the total expense of the alteration at the level-crossing, now in progress, at Swan street, Richmond.
9. MR. PEARSON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether, after the recent casualty at Pentridge, he will take measures to reinforce the staff of warders.
10. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will introduce a short Bill to compel the Melbourne Harbor Trust to lay before Parliament for approval any contract they may make out of the colony for the importation of machinery and plant without the previous consent of the Legislative Assembly.
11. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will enquire whether the guards engaged on Sundays, on the suburban railways, have been reduced from double to single time on that day; and whether he approves of such reduction.
12. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he can furnish Parliament with a return of the money expended out of the colony by the Melbourne Harbor Trust, since its establishment, in the purchase of plant and machinery.
13. MR. GARDINER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has received a report as to the desirability of reserving sections 132 and 133, at North Carlton; and, if so, would he be good enough to place a copy of the same on the library table.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

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 - (2.) Number of rabbits destroyed, giving the numbers from each separate depôt.
 - (3.) The cost of the materials, defining the nature, and the total expenses incurred during the financial year 1883–84.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

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2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
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WEDNESDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
2. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made; together with the other work done every week; to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station; on the North-Eastern line; starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.

14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employes of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing in what Departments, including the Victorian Railways Commissioners' Department, Hunter's disinfectant is used, the amount contracted to be delivered, the time during which it is to be delivered, and the sum to be paid.
22. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
23. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words, after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 12th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.
REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past three o'clock.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[16]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] Amendment proposed by the Hon. D. C. Sterry ; amendment proposed by the Hon. W. E. Stanbridge ; and amendment to be proposed by the Hon. W. A. Zeal. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[24]

Gold Fields of Victoria—Reports of the Mining Registrars, for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1884. No. 53.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. McLELLAN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) If he intends to commence a re-survey of the City of Melbourne and suburbs before this House has had an opportunity of expressing an opinion on the subject.
 - (2.) Should a re-survey be deemed indispensable, will this House be asked to provide money for its cost before the work is begun.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he intends carrying out the request of a deputation of the *Cerberus* men and increase their pay in accordance with their length of service.
3. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether he is aware that Lethbridge bluestone, which has to be carried a distance of 165 miles, has been specified for the public buildings in Sandhurst, now in course of erection, and that good solid bluestone can be obtained fourteen miles from the city at the Campaspe quarries.
4. MR. SHACKELL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) How many L trucks, commonly known as sheep-trucks, are in use on the Victorian Railways.
 - (2.) Whether he considers the present number sufficient for the requirements of the sheep traffic of the colony.
 - (3.) Whether he is aware that it is by no means unusual, when a number of sheep-trucks are ordered by Melbourne agents for a particular instance on a given date, ordinary goods or cattle-trucks are sent and made use of for the conveyance of sheep from up-country districts to Melbourne, in consequence of which the mortality amongst sheep so trucked by suffocation is very great, and those that survive the journey are very much depreciated in value—to the extent of from one to two shillings per head.
5. MR. McLELLAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take into his consideration the desirability of getting the prospecting vote made available at as early a date as possible.
6. MR. J. J. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether the Chief Inspector of Stock has given instructions to District Inspectors which prevent them taking proceedings against offenders of section 49 of "*The Scab Act 1870*"; and whether a District Inspector has been lately prevented by such instructions from taking proceedings against an offender for a breach of this section.
7. MR. MASON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to state to the House the steps that were taken by the Central Board of Health in connection with the case of small-pox reported from Traralgon on the 5th instant by Drs. Morrison and Leonard.
 - (2.) Is it true that no steps were taken by the Central Board until Friday, the 8th instant, to isolate the tenements or persons affected in accordance with "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883*."
 - (3.) When was the *Gazette* notice issued on the subject.
 - (4.) Is it true that Dr. Shields did not visit the patient alleged to be suffering from small-pox until Thursday night at 10 o'clock, although the case was reported to the Central Board of Health by the medical gentlemen named on Tuesday, the 5th instant.
 - (5.) Is it true that Dr. Shields travelled in the Gippsland train, both to and from Traralgon, and after visiting the patient, without in any way isolating himself from the other passengers.
8. DR. ROSE: To ask the Honorable the Premier when the increments due on 1st July will be paid to the Post and Telegraph employés.
9. MR. C. YOUNG: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Council of Defence have refused the application of Captain Thurkettle to be placed on the retired or unattached lists, that officer having held a commission for over ten years in the Volunteer Force.

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 - (1.) Carriage of bluestone.
 - (2.) All other merchandise.

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(Until nine o'clock.)

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16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
 To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—"

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
 To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS :** To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices; and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
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 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. **MR. WOODS :** To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
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TUESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. J. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will consider the advisability of establishing a calf lymph depôt in Prahran, or some other central place, so as to give the people of Prahran, South Yarra, St. Kilda, Toorak, and contiguous places the same facilities, for vaccination from the calf, as at present enjoyed by the people north of the Yarra.
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 - (1.) When will the Morwell and Mirboo Railway line be completed and open for traffic.
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 - (3.) When is the contractor bound to have the line completed in accordance with his agreement with the Railway Department.
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 - (2.) All other merchandise.

Government Business.

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2. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
6. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
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11. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
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14. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
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19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
(1.) Station masters.
(2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
(3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of
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23. MR. SHACKELL: To move—

- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
- (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
- (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

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On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

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WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. UREN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.

4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

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No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. DOW** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether he will consider the desirability of requesting the co-operation of the up-country municipal bodies in the prevention of the spread of animal diseases.
2. **MR. ZOX** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in the event of Great Britain being involved in any complications with any of the European Powers, the Imperial Government would be able to communicate with the Government of this colony by telegram in cypher.
3. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if it is the intention of the Government to pay to the various shires their respective subsidies prior to the end of the municipal financial year, namely, the 30th September, as fixed by section 200 of the Local Government Act, No. 506.
4. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to state to the House the steps that were taken by the Central Board of Health in connection with the case of small-pox reported from Traralgon on the 5th instant by Drs. Morrison and Leonard.
 - (2.) Is it true that no steps were taken by the Central Board until Friday, the 8th instant, to isolate the tenements or persons affected in accordance with "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883.*"
 - (3.) When was the *Gazette* notice issued on the subject.
 - (4.) Is it true that Dr. Shields did not visit the patient alleged to be suffering from small-pox until Thursday night at 10 o'clock, although the case was reported to the Central Board of Health by the medical gentlemen named on Tuesday, the 5th instant.
 - (5.) Is it true that Dr. Shields travelled in the Gippsland train, both to and from Traralgon, and after visiting the patient, without in any way isolating himself from the other passengers.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
6. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Second reading.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
13. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
14. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
15. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That the Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct Tramway Branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood, and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. **MR. BENT** : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
3. **MR. BOSISTO** : To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees, in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
2. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That this House, will on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to bakers and millers.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
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 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
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26. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
27. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
28. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
29. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
30. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
31. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
32. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
33. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
34. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

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1. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—**

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COOPER :** To move—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
- (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
- (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
- (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
- (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
- (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
- (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—*Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—*

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be proved.
4. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. **MR. ZOX :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

(1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instilling into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.

(2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.

(3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.

(4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.

(5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."

3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—

(1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.

(2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.

(3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 26th August.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 14 AUGUST, 1884.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[18]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 3.

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] As reported 19th August, 1884. (To Members of Council only.)

Companies Statute 1864 further Amendment Bill.—[32] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. D. C. Sterry, amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. Bell, and new clause proposed by the Hon. J. Bell. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 25 and 26.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[27]

Penal Establishments and Gaols—Report of the Inspector-General, for the Year 1883. No. 56.

Western Pacific High Commission—Correspondence. No. 57.

The Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums on, for the Year ending 31st December, 1883. No. 58.

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns, for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1884. A.—No. 3.

Land Bill.—[3] New clause to be proposed by Mr. Burrowes. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

THURSDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. LANGDON**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether it is the intention of the Government to propose an amendment of the 44th section and the 5th schedule of "*The Mallee Pastoral Leases Act 1883*" in the direction of reducing the qualifications of voters and candidates for the proposed local committees of vermin districts.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will order underground surveys to be made and plans prepared of the Redan line of quartz reefs at Ballarat.
3. **MR. HUNT**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether it has been determined to introduce Hackwood's Notes of Lessons on Moral Subjects into the State school curriculum, if teachers are instructed to illustrate such lessons by reference to Sacred Scripture; and if so, does he think such step consistent with the principles of the Education Act.
4. **MR. GRAVES**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the passenger trains on the North-Eastern lines have been fitted and are now running with continuous brakes, in accord with the statement made to Parliament on or about the 20th September of last year, namely, that within two months, or three months at the outside, from that time, that these brakes should be fitted to all the passenger trains on the North-Eastern lines, and on all the lines of the colony within four or five months.
5. **MR. PEARSON**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether, as the staff of warders at Pentridge has now been increased, steps will be taken to reduce the work that has been exacted hitherto from the officers.
6. **MR. MASON**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to state to the House the steps that were taken by the Central Board of Health in connection with the case of small-pox reported from Traralgon on the 5th instant by Drs. Morrison and Leonard.
 - (2.) Is it true that no steps were taken by the Central Board until Friday, the 8th instant, to isolate the tenements or persons affected in accordance with "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883*."
 - (3.) When was the *Gazette* notice issued on the subject.
 - (4.) Is it true that Dr. Shields did not visit the patient alleged to be suffering from small-pox until Thursday night at 10 o'clock, although the case was reported to the Central Board of Health by the medical gentlemen named on Tuesday, the 5th instant.
 - (5.) Is it true that Dr. Shields travelled in the Gippsland train, both to and from Traralgon, and after visiting the patient, without in any way isolating himself from the other passengers.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. HUNT**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the application of James Thom for license or licenses of 320 acres of land at Narden, Buln Buln, the documents in connection with forfeiture, and subsequent applications for licenses thereof, the recommendation of Local Land Board, and minute of Minister's decision on appeal.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **CROWN LANDS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL**.—Second reading.
5. **DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL**.—Second reading.
6. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1881 AND ACT No. 735**.—Estimate of Expenditure.—To be considered in Committee.
7. **REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS**.—To be considered in Committee.
8. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
11. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
12. **PATENTS BILL**.—Second reading.
13. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL**.—Second reading.
14. **TRADES UNIONS BILL**.—Second reading.
15. **DOG BILL**.—Second reading.
16. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. W. M. CLARK**: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the law relating to Bakers and Millers.

(200 copies.)

TUESDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

Questions.

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government have yet arrived at a decision with reference to a reduction in the present charges for telegrams.
2. MR. YEO: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has any objection to produce a copy of Mr. Benj. Rinder's letter referring to the Bell and Black Match Manufacturing Company; and after their statement of being able to manufacture safety matches on wax stems, will he re-consider the question, and adopt the suggestion emanating from the East Loddon Shire, viz., to bring forward such legislation as will materially put a stop to the extensive and dangerous use of wax matches, now so carelessly used in the country districts, and known to be the cause of much destruction by fire; and would it not be possible to give this relief to the country districts without injury to the miner.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
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WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—****1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.****NOTICE OF MOTION :—****1. MR. COOPER : To move—**

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
- (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
- (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
- (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
- (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
- (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
- (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—*Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—*

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. **MR. ZOx :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—

- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
- (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
- (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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PETER LALOR,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 26th August.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government have yet arrived at a decision with reference to a reduction in the present charges for telegrams.
2. MR. YEO: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has any objection to produce a copy of Mr. Benj. Rinder's letter referring to the Bell and Black Match Manufacturing Company; and after their statement of being able to manufacture safety matches on wax stems, will he re-consider the question, and adopt the suggestion emanating from the East Loddon Shire, viz., to bring forward such legislation as will materially put a stop to the extensive and dangerous use of wax matches, now so carelessly used in the country districts, and known to be the cause of much destruction by fire; and would it not be possible to give this relief to the country districts without injury to the miner.
3. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) What rent, as a pastoral tenant, does Mr. Henry Ricketson, of the Upper Moira run, pay.
 - (2.) By what authority, and under what conditions, does he hold the land known as the Yielima State Forest; and was permission granted for him to fence in that forest, including a valuable and permanent waterhole on the Perri Creek.
4. MR. GARDINER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will cause two lamps to be placed in front of the Post and Telegraph Office at Carlton; also, to repair the footway, and make other improvements necessary to finish the building.
5. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he has any objection to lay before this House the correspondence which passed between the late and present Government and the Agent-General with reference to the two last loans under Acts Nos. 717 and 760.
6. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the Government have ordered additional Martini-Henry rifles, so that there may be a good supply in stock in case of emergency.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT 1881 APPLICATION BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1881 AND ACT No. 735.—Estimate of Expenditure.—Resolution to be reported.
3. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS.—Resolution to be reported.
6. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
7. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
8. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
11. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
12. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
15. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
16. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
17. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.

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WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. UREN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employes of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employes in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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5. MR. NIMMO: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS :** To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.

15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

- To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—**

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COOPER :** To move—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
- (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
- (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
- (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
- (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
- (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
- (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—*Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—*

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. **MR. ZOx :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages; including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz.: “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 26th August.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22 AUGUST, 1884.

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

Elections and Qualifications—Report from the Committee, together with the Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D 2.

The General Code 1884.—Title I.—[52] (Issue completed.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 28.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[29]

Railway Loan Act 1881, No. 717, and Act No. 735.—An Estimate of Expenditure. A.—No. 4.
Crown Lands Bill.—New clause to be proposed by Mr. A. T. Clark. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Crown Lands Bill.—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Mirams. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the darkness of Fitzroy Gardens at night ; and if he will increase the number of lamps.
2. **MR. MOORE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will, as early as possible, authorize the erection of some shelter accommodation for passengers at the Ravenswood railway station.
3. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will take into favorable consideration the fellmongers' grievances as stated to him by a deputation which waited on him a short time ago ; and if he will take measures to place that industry on a more satisfactory footing.
4. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when tenders will be called for the erection of the public buildings in Kerang.
5. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to the fact that Government tests have proved ironbark to be both durable and strong ; and to ask if he will see that this wood is not omitted from future tenders, there being vast quantities of it and other varieties in North Gippsland.
6. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will bring in a Bill to legalise the cases of successful vaccination to the 31st August, and not performed by legally qualified medical practitioners, in order to remove the risk of prosecution under which a large number of parents are resting, from their vaccination certificates being mutilated ; and if he will notify to the public that after the 31st August all persons whose certificates are not in legal form are liable to prosecution.
7. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the fact that Government tests have proved ironbark to be both durable and strong ; and to ask if he will see that this wood is not omitted from future tenders, there being vast quantities of it and other varieties in North Gippsland.
8. **MR. COOPER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he has any objection to supply a copy of the map, showing the lands that are to be dealt with by the Crown Lands Bill, to the free libraries of the colony.
9. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to state to the House the steps that were taken by the Central Board of Health in connection with the case of small-pox reported from Traralgon on the 5th instant by Drs. Morrison and Leonard.
 - (2.) Is it true that no steps were taken by the Central Board until Friday, the 8th instant, to isolate the tenements or persons affected in accordance with "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883.*"
 - (3.) When was the *Gazette* notice issued on the subject.
 - (4.) Is it true that Dr. Shields did not visit the patient alleged to be suffering from small-pox until Thursday night at 10 o'clock, although the case was reported to the Central Board of Health by the medical gentlemen named on Tuesday, the 5th instant.
 - (5.) Is it true that Dr. Shields travelled in the Gippsland train, both to and from Traralgon, and after visiting the patient, without in any way isolating himself from the other passengers.
10. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) What rent, as a pastoral tenant, does Mr. Henry Ricketson, of the Upper Moira run, pay.
 - (2.) By what authority, and under what conditions, does he hold the land known as the Yielima State Forest ; and was permission granted for him to fence in that forest, including a valuable and permanent waterhole on the Perri Creek.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. LANGDON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the grazing capabilities of the land marked brown on the maps attached to the Crown Lands Bill, each county or group of counties in the Northern, Eastern, Southern, and Western districts to be shown or set forth separately.

Government Business.

(Until nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **CROWN LANDS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Resolution to be reported.
4. **CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.**—To be considered in Committee.
7. **TRAMWAYS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
9. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.**—To be considered in Committee.
10. **PATENTS BILL.**—Second reading.
11. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
12. **TRADES UNIONS BILL.**—Second reading.
13. **DOG BILL.**—Second reading.
14. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
15. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. HOMESTEADS PROTECTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
2. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
3. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.
5. MR. NIMMO : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience,

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Wrixon, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS.—To move, That the Bill relating to the Banking and Currency (No. 10) be read a second time.

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
 2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
 5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
 6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
- NOTICES OF MOTION:—
1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
 2. MR. McCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
 3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
 5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
 6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
 7. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
 8. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.

That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
 9. MR. McCOLL: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
 10. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
 11. MR. McCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia; Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 12. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
 13. MR. GRANT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public-dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and

report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.

14. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. MR. ZOX : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove succes-ful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 3rd September.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22 AUGUST, 1884.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[20]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 4.

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] As reported 26th August, 1884. (To Members of Council only.)

Railway Loan Account 1881 Application Bill.—[48] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 29.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[30]

Railway Loan Account 1881 Application Bill.—[48] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Crown Lands Bill.—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Graham; amendments to be proposed by Mr. Walter Madden; new clauses to be proposed by Mr. Connor; new clause to be proposed by Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith; new clause to be proposed by Mr. Graham; and new clause to be proposed by Mr. Walter Madden. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. W. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will make public the names of the person or persons upon whose complaints the question of abolishing the common at Lake Buloke is to be submitted to a Local Land Board.
2. **MR. J. J. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, after any future examination under the control of Government, candidates may be enabled to obtain copies of their examination papers and of their replies thereto, or information as to errors contained in such replies, on payment of the actual cost which the concession would involve.
3. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he intends to remunerate the sorters in the Post Office in accordance with Regulations of the Department ; and if he is aware that employes filling similar positions in the other colonies are remunerated on a scale higher than that provided for in this colony.
4. **MR. NIMMO** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when the water-pipes will be laid along the wharfs that have been erected by the Harbor Trust.
5. **MR. J. J. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he will provide that all members of the police force requiring to be re-vaccinated shall have the operation performed free of charge ; and whether other persons desirous of being re-vaccinated will be enabled to have such operation performed by the public vaccinators at a cost not exceeding the present Government allowance for vaccination.
6. **MR. NIMMO** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when the bye-laws for regulating the proceedings of the Central Board of Health will be printed.
7. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the darkness of Fitzroy Gardens at night ; and if he will increase the number of lamps.
8. **MR. MOORE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will, as early as possible, authorize the erection of some shelter accommodation for passengers at the Ravenswood railway station.
9. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will take into favorable consideration the fellmongers' grievances as stated to him by a deputation which waited on him a short time ago ; and if he will take measures to place that industry on a more satisfactory footing.
10. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works when tenders will be called for the erection of the public buildings in Kerang.
11. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to the fact that Government tests have proved ironbark to be both durable and strong ; and to ask if he will see that this wood is not omitted from future tenders, there being vast quantities of it and other varieties in North Gippsland.
12. **DR. ROSE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will bring in a Bill to legalise the cases of successful vaccination to the 31st August, and not performed by legally qualified medical practitioners, in order to remove the risk of prosecution under which a large number of parents are resting, from their vaccination certificates being mutilated ; and if he will notify to the public that after the 31st August all persons whose certificates are not in legal form are liable to prosecution.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to the fact that Government tests have proved ironbark to be both durable and strong ; and to ask if he will see that this wood is not omitted from future tenders, there being vast quantities of it and other varieties in North Gippsland.
14. **MR. COOPER** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he has any objection to supply a copy of the map, showing the lands that are to be dealt with by the Crown Lands Bill, to the free libraries of the colony.
15. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to state to the House the reports that were taken by the Central Board of Health in connection with the case of small-pox reported from Traralgon on the 5th instant by Drs. Morrison and Leonard.
 - (2.) Is it true that no steps were taken by the Central Board until Friday, the 8th instant, to isolate the tenements or persons affected in accordance with "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883.*"
 - (3.) When was the *Gazette* notice issued on the subject.
 - (4.) Is it true that Dr. Shields did not visit the patient alleged to be suffering from small-pox until Thursday night at 10 o'clock, although the case was reported to the Central Board of Health by the medical gentlemen named on Tuesday, the 5th instant.
 - (5.) Is it true that Dr. Shields travelled in the Gippsland train, both to and from Traralgon, and after visiting the patient, without in any way isolating himself from the other passengers.
16. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) What rent, as a pastoral tenant, does Mr. Henry Ricketson, of the Upper Moira run, pay.
 - (2.) By what authority, and under what conditions, does he hold the land known as the Yielima State Forest ; and was permission granted for him to fence in that forest, including a valuable and permanent waterhole on the Perri Creek.
17. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the public have any guarantee that the lymph supplied to the country districts is really calf lymph and not humanized lymph.

(200 copies.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
3. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
4. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
8. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
12. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid before this House—
 - (1.) The evidence taken by the Select Committee appointed on 2nd August, 1882, to enquire into and report whether, in their opinion, the vigneron in the Geelong district have received the fair compensation allowed by law for the destruction of their vines.
 - (2.) The evidence taken before the Board appointed for the same purpose.
2. MR. NIMMO: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Wrixon, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.
3. MR. ZOx: To move, That the Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct Tramway Branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood, and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Laurens, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Orkney, Mr. Woods, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the “*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*”
7. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*” to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS**: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site
8. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers; to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL**: To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council;" this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOx** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Third reading.
3. **COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.**—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **MR. UREN** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*”

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
5. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a

- company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON:** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
 6. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
 7. **MR. ZOZ:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS:** To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools; though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zoz, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five, to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER:** To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. **MR. WRIXON:** To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER:** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. **MR. WOODS:** To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 3rd September.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if his attention has been called to a statement, in a Ballarat newspaper, that "out of six lads who were called to give evidence in the city court last Monday, that only one knew the nature of an oath or the sin of telling a lie—the apparently neglected juveniles were not sworn"—Mr. D. Fitzpatrick, J.P., was on the bench; and to ask that the necessary steps should be taken to punish those who are responsible for such deplorable ignorance
2. **MR. TOOHEY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he is carrying out the policy of his predecessors in granting the selectors' under the 49th section of the Land Act their holdings at £1 per acre.
3. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he purposes introducing an amendment of the Public-house Statute during the present Session; and when does he expect to be able to present the Bill to Parliament.
4. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether the provisions of Part 2, sections from 30 to 38, of "*The Public Health Amendment Statute 1883*" have been complied with; if so, have they been effective in preventing the sale and adulteration of food and drink, or if any amendment in the Act is required to render them so.
5. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to an article in the "*Herald*" of Thursday evening last announcing that an explosion of one of the guns on board the *Cerberus* took place when that vessel was recently out on practice.
 - (2.) Is it a fact that the alleged explosion occurred.
 - (3.) If so, when did it occur.
 - (4.) On what date was the occurrence reported to the Defence department.
 - (5.) What was the cost of the gun referred to.
6. **MR. LAURENS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the passenger fares, especially periodical ones, charged on the South Suburban lines have engaged the attention of the Commissioners with the view to their alteration, so as to make such rates remunerative in future.
7. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he proposes to give effect to the suggestion he made to the House last Wednesday "that questions should not be asked on Wednesdays."
8. **MR. J. J. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, after any future examination under the control of Government, candidates may be enabled to obtain copies of their examination papers and of their replies thereto, or information as to errors contained in such replies, on payment of the actual cost which the concession would involve.
9. **MR. MOORE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will, as early as possible, authorize the erection of some shelter accommodation for passengers at the Ravenswood railway station.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Second reading.
2. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Second reading.
3. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
8. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
12. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. NIMMO** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. STAUGHTON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he can, under the present law, allow wire netting used in fencing out rabbits to come in duty free.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. BOSISTO: To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Wrixon, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.
3. MR. ZOX: To move, That the Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct Tramway Branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood, and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Laurens, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Orkney, Mr. Woods, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
7. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.

5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House ; three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop ; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
(1.) Station masters.
(2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
(3.) Guards.

21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrows, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed, by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

Question.

THURSDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he can afford the House any information as to the increase in the working expenses of the Railway Department, as shown in the following quotations from the Railway Commissioner's Reports of 1878 and 1883 respectively, viz :—In 1878 “the expenditure was £625,699, or 51·43 per cent. of the earnings.” In 1883 “the expenditure on working amounted to no less than £1,273,921 8s. 8d., being equal to 67·4 per cent. of the gross earnings, this being the highest percentage of working expenditure to revenue which has yet obtained since the opening of the lines for traffic,” or a difference in working expenses of 15·68 per cent. and representing in this instance a relative increase of £297,655 on the working expenses of the year.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
 2. **STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Third reading.
 3. **COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.**—Second reading.
 4. **INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
 5. **COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
 6. **BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.**—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **MR. UREN** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
 2. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*”

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COOPER :** To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. **MR. BOWMAN :** To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. **MR. REID :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.

4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. **MR. ZOZ** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zoz, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 3rd September.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1884.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. DISTILLATION ACT AMENDING BILL.—Third reading.
3. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
8. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
12. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. BOSISRO: To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of corporate bodies of trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Wrixon, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.
3. MR. ZOX: To move, That the Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited to construct Tramway Branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood, and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Laurens, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Orkney, Mr. Woods, and the Mover, four to form a quorum; and that the promoters have leave to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. M. H. DAVIES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
4. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
5. MR. McLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the “*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*”
7. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
8. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*” to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
9. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
10. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS**: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
 The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
 That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
 That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL**: To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that

the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

16. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
- (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
21. MR. ZOX : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
25. MR. NIMMO : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum ; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“ That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “ stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“ should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“ On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

THURSDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. **MR. WOODS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he can afford the House any information as to the increase in the working expenses of the Railway Department, as shown in the following quotations from the Railway Commissioner's Reports of 1878 and 1883 respectively, viz:—In 1878 "the expenditure was £625,699, or 51·43 per cent. of the earnings." In 1883 "the expenditure on working amounted to no less than £1,273,921 8s. 8d., being equal to 67·11 per cent. of the gross earnings, this being the highest percentage of working expenditure to revenue which has yet obtained since the opening of the lines for traffic," or a difference in working expenses of 15·68 per cent. and representing in this instance a relative increase of £297,655 on the working expenses of the year.
2. **MR. STAUGHTON**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he can, under the present law, allow wire netting used in fencing out rabbits to come in duty free.
3. **MR. COPPIN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will invite an intercolonial conference, for the same purpose that the "International Penitentiary Congress" was held in London in 1872, at which twenty distinct nationalities were represented under the chairmanship of the Right Honorable the Earl of Carnarvon.

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the increasing number of discharged French criminals coming among us, he will, this Session, invite Parliament to pass a Bill that will enable the Government to meet the danger.
2. **MR. DERHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) What steps the Government proposes to take with a view to securing a wide distribution of the Hand-book to Victoria, recently compiled by the Government Statist, throughout every city, town, and village in Great Britain and Ireland.
 - (2.) Whether the Government will take into consideration the advisability of causing a large circulation in Germany of a revised edition of the same Hand-book, translated into the language of that country, with a view of diverting some portion of the large stream of German emigration from its present destinations to this colony.
3. **MR. WALLACE**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.
4. **MR. GRAHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has given any instruction to have the rule altered whereby all time worked by gangers, repairers, and laborers, over eight hours, shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. **MR. UREN**: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. **MR. RICHARDSON**: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COOPER**: To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.

- (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
- (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity be printed.
4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. **MR. ZOX** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 3rd September.

ZOOLOGICAL AND ACCLIMATIZATION SOCIETY—at half-past ten o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29 AUGUST, 1884.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[22]

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] As reported 27th August. (To Members of Council only.)

Companies Statute 1864 further Amendment Bill.—[32] As reported 2nd September. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[33]

Petitions.—Licensing Act 1876.—Grocers' Licenses. E.—Nos. 2 and 3.

Duties of Customs Bill.—[45] As reported from the Committee of the whole House, 2nd September. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Crown Lands Bill.—Proposed Amendments of which notice has been received up to 2nd September. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 34.

THURSDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. WOODS:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he can afford the House any information as to the increase in the working expenses of the Railway Department, as shown in the following quotations from the Railway Commissioner's Reports of 1878 and 1883 respectively, viz.:—In 1878 "the expenditure was £625,699, or 51·43 per cent. of the earnings." In 1883 "the expenditure on working amounted to no less than £1,273,921 8s. 8d., being equal to 67·11 per cent. of the gross earnings, this being the highest percentage of working expenditure to revenue which has yet obtained since the opening of the lines for traffic," or a difference in working expenses of 15·68 per cent. and representing in this instance a relative increase of £297,655 on the working expenses of the year.
2. **MR. STAUGHTON:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he can, under the present law, allow wire netting used in fencing out rabbits to come in duty free.
3. **MR. COPPIN:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will invite an intercolonial conference, for the same purpose that the "International Penitentiary Congress" was held in London in 1872, at which twenty distinct nationalities were represented, under the chairmanship of the Right Honorable the Earl of Carnarvon.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **CROWN LANDS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.**—To be considered in Committee.
4. **TRAMWAYS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—**To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
6. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.**—To be considered in Committee.
7. **PATENTS BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **TRADES UNIONS BILL.**—Second reading.
10. **DOG BILL.**—Second reading.
11. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
12. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. M. H. DAVIES:** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. **MR. WRIXON:** To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the increasing number of discharged French criminals coming among us, he will, this Session, invite Parliament to pass a Bill that will enable the Government to meet the danger.
2. **MR. DERHAM:** To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) What steps the Government proposes to take with a view to securing a wide distribution of the Hand-book to Victoria, recently compiled by the Government Statist, throughout every city, town, and village in Great Britain and Ireland.
 - (2.) Whether the Government will take into consideration the advisability of causing a large circulation in Germany of a revised edition of the same Hand-book, translated into the language of that country, with a view of diverting some portion of the large stream of German emigration from its present destinations to this colony.
3. **MR. WALLACE:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.
4. **MR. GRAHAM:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has given any instruction to have the rule altered whereby all time worked by gangers, repairers, and laborers, over eight hours, shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. J. J. MADDEN:** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the losses in the Department of the Postmaster-General for the year ended June 30th, 1884, under the following heads:—
 - (1.) Losses on working the telegraph system.
 - (2.) Losses on working the inland postal service.
 - (3.) Losses on the intercolonial postal service.
 - (4.) Losses on the transit of mails to Europe.

(200 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in sec. 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
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WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading:
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. McCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. McCOLL: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.

10. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
25. **MR. NIMMO** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House all papers connected with the contract for the electric lighting of the General Post Office.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That it is the right of every public servant to have a Board to take evidence on oath and be represented by counsel in all cases where a charge is made against, but denied by such public servant ; such enquiry to be open to the Press.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the specification in connexion with the advertisement calling for tenders for the lighting of the Houses of Parliament by electricity, be printed.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, inasmuch as the Honorable the Premier overrode the Honorable the Chief Secretary by declining to produce the papers connected with the giving of a contract for £4,232, for the electric lighting of the General Post-office—without advertising for tenders—to a company in which the Honorable the Premier is stated to be a shareholder, this House is of opinion that the circumstances warrant an investigation before a Select Committee of this House.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the specification for the lighting of Parliament Houses by electricity has been so imperfectly prepared that it is against the public interest to accept any tender offered thereunder.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
7. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.

- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz.: “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the increasing number of discharged French criminals coming among us, he will, this Session, invite Parliament to pass a Bill that will enable the Government to meet the danger.
2. **MR. DERHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) What steps the Government proposes to take with a view to securing a wide distribution of the Hand-book to Victoria, recently compiled by the Government Statist, throughout every city, town, and village in Great Britain and Ireland.
 - (2.) Whether the Government will take into consideration the advisability of causing a large circulation in Germany of a revised edition of the same Hand-book, translated into the language of that country, with a view of diverting some portion of the large stream of German emigration from its present destinations to this colony.
3. **MR. WALLACE**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.
4. **MR. GRAHAM**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he has given any instruction to have the rule altered whereby all time worked by gangers, repairers, and laborers, over eight hours, shall be paid at the rate of time and a half.
5. **MR. D. M. DAVIES**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if it be a fact that when the necessary examinations, advertised for 21 fitters, that out of the 21 drawn if by lot a only 16 passed the necessary examinations, and that instead of giving the remaining five candidates the opportunity of passing the medical examination with a view of employing them, a number of supernumeraries was engaged.
6. **MR. RICHARDSON**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will lay before this House, for the information of the Committee now considering the Land Bill, a plan showing the lines of quartz reefs known to the Mining Department.
7. **MR. NIMMO**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if engine-driver Thomas Reese, who was suspended when the Newmarket collision took place, is to be reinstated into his former position in the service.
8. **MR. M. H. DAVIES**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether it be true that the Railway Commissioners have selected a few life insurance companies only, from which they have sought applications for the terms and conditions upon which the lives of those engaged in the railway service may be insured by such companies, and have not thrown the matter open to public competition.
9. **MR. GRAVES**: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will inform the House what is the total amount of the money now held by the Associated Banks being proceeds from all loans; what percentage of interest is received from these banks for same; what is the average percentage paid by the colony for these loans.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. J. J. MADDEN**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the losses in the Department of the Postmaster-General for the year ended June 30th, 1884, under the following heads:—
 - (1.) Losses on working the telegraph system.
 - (2.) Losses on working the inland postal service.
 - (3.) Losses on the intercolonial postal service.
 - (4.) Losses on the transit of mails to Europe.
2. **MR. BOWMAN**: To move, That there be laid before this House all the papers relating to the Mallee selections of Mogg, Barber, Mitchell, and Neyland, which are adjoining one another.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **CROWN LANDS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS**.—To be considered in Committee.
3. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
6. **PATENTS BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **TRADES UNIONS BILL**.—Second reading.
9. **DOG BILL**.—Second reading.
10. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**.—Second reading.
11. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.

(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the laws relating to printers and newspapers registration.
2. MR. NIMMO : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the petition of William Brookes and Archibald Currie; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bosisto, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Coppin, Mr. Laurens, Mr. Derham, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and to have power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
4. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The particulars of the works, executed at Spencer street station, which are scheduled as having cost about £86,000, including the number of semaphores in and about the Spencer street station.
 - (2.) The number of times semaphores, signals, and signal-boxes have been removed within the last two years in and about Spencer street station.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employes of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employes in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "The Public Service Act, No. 773."*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.

4. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons (who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
5. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
7. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.

THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to

have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

4. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House ; three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop ; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
(1.) Station masters.
(2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
(3.) Guards.

21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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7. MR. ZOZ : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled; in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zoz, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
 - (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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No. 36.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. BENT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways who authorized the erection of wooden buildings on the railway reserve at South Yarra.
2. MR. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will lay before this House, for the information of the Committee now considering the Land Bill, a plan showing the lines of quartz reefs known to the Mining Department.
3. MR. BENT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if he will advertise in the daily newspapers future sales of overtime goods.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The particulars of the works, executed at Spencer street station, which are scheduled as having cost about £86,000, including the number of semaphores in and about the Spencer street station.
 - (2.) The number of times semaphores, signals, and signal-boxes have been removed within the last two years in and about Spencer street station.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Waterworks Act 1880*" and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
10. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
11. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
4. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW.—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. MR. UREN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Mining Board Elections.
2. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Statute 1865*."

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773*."

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.

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- (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
 3. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
 4. MR. REID: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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 6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
 7. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
 8. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

Questions.

THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER.

1. DR. ROSE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he has any objection to lay before this House a Report furnished to the Law Department, in the year 1879, by Mr. Keene, Gas Engineer, showing the working condition of the various gas companies in Victoria, together with a report as to the supply and sale of gas.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if, in view of the character of the Water Trusts Act as far as irrigation is concerned, it is the intention of the Government to bring in an amending Water Trust Act this session; and, if so, when.
3. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government propose taking the duty off wire netting, which is not manufactured in the colony, and which is used so largely as a protection against rabbits in rabbit infested districts.
4. MR. WRIXON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Board for the Protection of Aborigines intend to allow half-castes at the different stations to go out to work, leaving their families behind them; and, if so, under what conditions and regulations.
5. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.
6. MR. WALLACE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintalra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.

TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General whether he will consider, with the view of carrying into effect the suggestion now made, viz., that on the new telegraph charges coming into operation in July next, he will permit the sender of a telegram of six words to receive a reply of the same number of words on payment of an additional fee of 3d. prepaid.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. MCLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.

6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—
The publication of *Hansard* has been of public utility.
That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.
That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover; three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
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(1.) Station masters;
(2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
(3.) Guards.
21. MR. ZOX : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
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23. MR. SHACKELL: To move—

(1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.

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24. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.**ORDERS OF THE DAY:—**

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”

2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved:—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future, the amount shall be—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—*Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—*

1. **MR. GRANT:** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.

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7. **MR. ZOX** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
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On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
- (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
- (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 10th September.

MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Thursday, 11th September.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

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Kyneton Shire Waterworks Trust.—Detailed Statement *re* Application for an Additional Loan of £2,000. No. 68.

Zoological and Acclimatisation Society Incorporation Bill—Report from the Select Committee; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*)

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Zoological and Acclimatisation Incorporation Bill.—[35] As reported from the Select Committee 3rd September. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 37.

Questions.

THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he has any objection to lay before this House a Report furnished to the Law Department, in the year 1879, by Mr. Keene, Gas Engineer, showing the working condition of the various gas companies in Victoria, together with a report as to the supply and sale of gas.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if, in view of the character of the Water Trusts Act as far as irrigation is concerned, it is the intention of the Government to bring in an amending Water Trust Act this session ; and, if so, when.
3. MR. W. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government propose taking the duty off wire netting, which is not manufactured in the colony, and which is used so largely as a protection against rabbits in rabbit infested districts.
4. MR. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Board for the Protection of Aborigines intend to allow half-castes at the different stations to go out to work, leaving their families behind them ; and, if so, under what conditions and regulations.
5. MR. W. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.
6. MR. WALLACE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1883, NO. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
4. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
8. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
12. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

Questions.

TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consider, with the view of carrying into effect the suggestion now made, viz., that on the new telegraph charges coming into operation in July next, he will permit the sender of a telegram of six words to receive a reply of the same number of words on payment of an additional fee of 3d. prepaid.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when he considers he will be able to introduce the new Factory Bill.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MR. BENT'S MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
2. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea-Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER : To move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. MCLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*"
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*" to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
7. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendment of the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
8. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.

10. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOx** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."

2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—
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| On every store cow | 2s. 6d. |
| On every store bullock | 4s. 0d. |
| On every fat cow | 5s. 0d. |
| On every fat bullock | 8s. 0d. |
| On every store sheep | 4d. |
| On every fat sheep | 6d. |
- and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—
“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
4. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW.—Consideration of Report.
6. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.

4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
7. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
8. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

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- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
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2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re Stock Tax*—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 11th September.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

Tuesday, 16th September.

MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL—at eleven o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consider, with the view of carrying into effect the suggestion now made, viz., that on the new telegraph charges coming into operation in July next, he will permit the sender of a telegram of six words to receive a reply of the same number of words on payment of an additional fee of 3d. prepaid.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when he considers he will be able to introduce the new Factory Bill.
3. DR. QUICK: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether he will, as soon as convenient, introduce a Bill to amend the practice and procedure of the County Court, assimilating it, as closely as practicable, to that of the Supreme Court under the Judicature Act, especially providing for full statements of defence, third-party applications, and enabling judgments of the County Court to bind land.
4. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1883, NO. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
9. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
10. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
11. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the “*Masters and Servants Statute 1864.*”
6. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883,*” to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employes to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
7. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendment of the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
8. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee. :

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That its further publication and distribution to the public generally would be productive of national benefit.

That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.

13. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
21. **MR. ZOX** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
 To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

THURSDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER.*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.*Question.*

1. MR. WALLACE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.*General Business.*

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
4. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW.—Consideration of Report.
6. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction, or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
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6. MR. GARDNER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
7. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
8. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

— WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL:—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should introduce a measure which will prevent any corporation or public body partly or wholly endowed with State funds importing foreign manufactured goods until the electors have decided that our fiscal policy should be altered.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 16th September.

MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL—at eleven o'clock.

Wednesday 17th September.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PROPERTY TRUSTEES BILL—at eleven o'clock.

BROOKS AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at half-post three o'clock.

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Temporary Advances Act 1883, No. 729—Estimate of Expenditure. A.—No. 5.

Unlawful Assemblies and Party Processions Bill.—[58] (Issue completed.)

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No. 39.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. JAMES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will bring in a Bill to amend "*An Act for the Reform of the Constitution*," to place beyond doubt the right of persons to vote for Members of the Legislative Council whose tenements are valued at Ten pounds per annum and upwards.
2. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will introduce a Bill to assimilate the law in Victoria to that in England in respect to the amendment of errors in warrants of commitment.
3. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he can inform the House as to the cost of constructing the Coburg Railway up to date ; and, also, what the cost of constructing it was to have been if there had been no deviation from the route first adopted and partly carried out by the department.
4. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will cause to be placed upon the Rolls of the Legislative Council the names of all male persons of twenty-one years of age who hold, under miners' rights or business licenses, an estate of the annual value of from ten to twenty-five pounds.
5. MR. W. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.

Government Business.

(Until nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, NO. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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9. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
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12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER : To move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the terms of the Crown Grant of the City of Ballarat Free Library.
2. DR. ROSE : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to boilers.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to settle the tenure of office of judges of the County Courts, and to provide pensions in certain cases.
4. MR. McLEAN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the registration of brands of stock.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the "*Masters and Servants Statute 1864*."
6. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal section six of the Act 23 Victoria, No. 91.
7. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883*," to make it a punishable offence for the Trust Commissioners or their employés to violate the provisions of section 54 of Act 1883.
8. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Vaccination.
9. MR. BENT : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to repeal Act No. 91.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
5. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
7. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendment of the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
8. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
8. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House—

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That a Select Committee of nine Members be now appointed by ballot to consider the best means to secure cheapness with efficiency in the reporting, publishing, and distributing of *Hansard* to the public generally, with power to call for persons and papers, and to move from place to place, and to report daily to this House; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
10. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6; parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children:

13. MR. GRANT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
14. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. MR. A. HARRIS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. MR. LAURENS: To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. MR. PEARSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. MR. BENT: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz.:—
- (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
21. MR. ZOZ: To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House, by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. MR. SHACKELL: To move—
- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved:—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved:—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment:—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

THURSDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the returns moved for by the Honorable Member for Stawell on the 30th July, 1884, will be laid on the Table of the House before the Water Supply Estimates are considered.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To ask if a supplementary return, under Section 20 of "*The Public Service Act*," will be published, containing the names of all persons employed in the Public Service whose names were omitted from the return published in the *Government Gazette* of the 3rd September instant.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. WALLACE : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is the intention of the Government to purchase a piece of land at Tintaldra, on the Upper Murray, for the purpose of establishing a Government township.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
4. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW.—Consideration of Report.
6. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act*, No. 773."

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.

4. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October, 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, shall be entitled to compensation or retiring allowance.
5. MR. REID : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that all persons who were employed in the Railway Department on the 31st October 1883, other than supernumeraries, survey parties, and day laborers, and who may have been employed in other departments of the public service, shall be allowed to count such service toward their compensation or retiring allowance.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
7. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
8. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should introduce a measure which will prevent any corporation or public body partly or wholly endowed with State funds importing foreign manufactured goods until the electors have decided that our fiscal policy should be altered.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.

- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday 17th September.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PROPERTY TRUSTEES BILL—at eleven o'clock.
BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at half-past three o'clock.

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2. MR. McCOLL : To ask if a supplementary return, under Section 20 of "*The Public Service Act*," will be published, containing the names of all persons employed in the Public Service whose names were omitted from the return published in the *Government Gazette* of the 3rd September instant.
3. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines when he will cause a survey of the southern extension of the New Chum Reef, Sandhurst, to be commenced, in compliance with the request of the Sandhurst School of Mines.
4. MR. BOWMAN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he is aware that the Exhibition Building is being let out for shops or stalls for the sale of goods ; and to ask if his attention has been called to the prospectus issued by authority of the Trustees of the Exhibition.
5. MR. WHEELER : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will consider the propriety of amending the law so as to allow local bodies to re-purchase their own debentures, instead of compelling them to invest their sinking fund in Government four per cent. stock.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

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6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
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8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
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11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is essential for ensuring the due administration of justice, as well as for ensuring the respect of the public for such administration, that County Court Judges and Police Magistrates shall not be removable except for cause, as in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
7. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
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9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.

10. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
11. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop ; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
12. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letter forwarded to Police Magistrates, together with their respective memoranda thereon, relative to fines inflicted on parents for "truancy" of children.
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14. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
15. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
16. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
17. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
18. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
19. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
20. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
21. MR. ZOX : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
22. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
23. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
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 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
24. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House

of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

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WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
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1. MR. WOODS : To move—

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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—
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 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
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TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1884.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
8. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
10. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
11. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
12. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
14. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
15. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
16. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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Question.

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THURSDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER.

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 14. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
 15. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
 16. MR. A. HARRIS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
 17. MR. LAURENS: To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
 18. MR. PEARSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
 19. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
 20. MR. BENT: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz.:—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
 21. MR. ZOX: To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
 22. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 23. MR. SHACKELL: To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
 24. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."

3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow	2s. 6d."
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages and intended to impress upon the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.

- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof-form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 23rd September.

PRINTING COMMITTEE—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 24th September.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 26.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[41]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Question.

1. MR. SHACKELL: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will set apart an evening, at an early date, for discussing the motion relative to rendering the River Murray permanently navigable.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. W. MADDEN: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report of the Titles Board (of which the Honorable H. J. Wrixon was chairman) and of the evidence taken before such Board.

Government Business.

(Until nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.
6. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
9. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
11. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
12. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
15. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
16. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

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1. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
3. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
4. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW.—Consideration of Report.
6. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
7. BOILERS LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
8. COMPANIES STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendment of the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.

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1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COOPER: To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
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 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money

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- available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
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 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
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 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
 3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
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 5. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
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TUESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. W. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.

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ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

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2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
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5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress
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1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
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 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote:—

- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
- (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
- (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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THURSDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1884.

Question.

1. MR. HALL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will send an officer to report upon the temporary weir now being constructed by the Shepparton Shire Council in the Broken River, at Casey's; and also to report upon the probable cost, and advisability of the Government constructing a permanent weir in that locality.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
9. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
10. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
11. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he proposes to refund the amounts overpaid by Alexander McGilp and others on their 49th section holdings at Coleraine.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT: To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER: To move, That the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now read a third time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*”

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
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3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
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- COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
- COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
- BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
- PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
- MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
- BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

- RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COOPER :** To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. **MR. BOWMAN :** To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. **MR. BURROWES :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
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WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.**—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Questions.

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 - (2.) To give committees of charitable institutions power to take proceedings against persons who receive relief whilst they are in a position to pay for the same.
4. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the practice of making out the departmental pay-sheets of the classified officers, in accordance with their seniority and position in the public service, is now, during the current financial year, being departed from ; and, if so, by whose authority.
5. **MR. MIRAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Whether the whole of the "copy" of the Education Report and Appendices has yet been forwarded to the Government Printer ; and, if so, when the last portions of such "copy" were so forwarded.
 - (2.) When he expects to be able to present the Report to this House.
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 - (2.) What is the distance between Portland Bay and the nearest point of the River Murray—say Swan Hill.
 - (3.) What would be the probable cost of constructing a canal similar to the Wall End Canal, to carry ships of not less than 1,500 tons burden from the River Murray to Portland Bay.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
9. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
10. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
11. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. BENT** : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. **MR. OFFICER** : To move, That the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now read a third time.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

(200 copies.)

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1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
8. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
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11. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. MR. SHACKELL: To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth-section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.

13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
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21. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
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General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

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1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
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8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "The Public Service Act, No. 773."

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COOPER: To move—

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2. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
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WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
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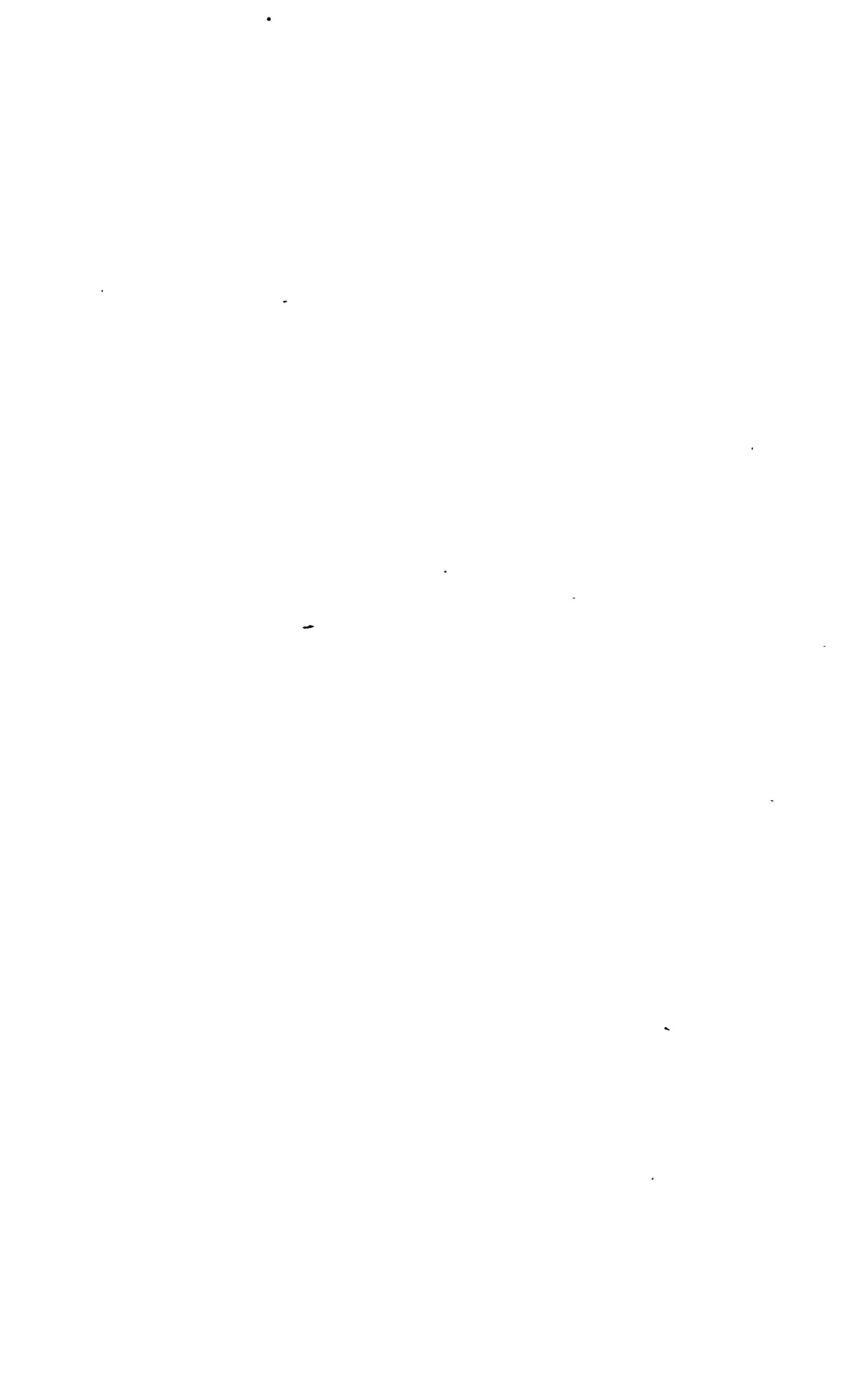
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No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOZ : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will allow the Mining Accidents Fund Bill to have precedence on some night set apart for Government Business.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction—
 - (1.) Was Mr. Wollaston guilty of any offence against law.
 - (2.) Was he prosecuted in a court of law for such offence.
 - (3.) If not, what led the Minister to abstain from punishing Mr. Wollaston according to law as administered by a court of justice.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CROWN LANDS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. TRANWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
9. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
10. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
11. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
13. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That the Bill to authorize the construction of the Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway, and for other purposes, be now read a second time.
2. MR. OFFICER : To move, That the Bill to provide for the Incorporation and Government of the Zoological and Acclimatization Society of Victoria, and for other purposes, be now read a third time.
3. MR. BOSISTO : To move, That the Bill to provide for the creation of Corporate Bodies of Trustees in which property belonging to the Church of England in Victoria may be vested, and to make further provisions in reference thereto, be now read a third time.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*”

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

(200 copies.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

16. **MR. McCOLL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employes of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz.:—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. ZOX**: To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
19. **MR. McCOLL**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
20. **MR. SHACKELL**: To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
21. **MR. HALL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
22. **MR. McLELLAN**: To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House; while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
23. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
24. **MR. COOPER**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
- EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
- STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
 To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following further amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

THURSDAY, 2ND OCTOBER.

Questions.

- MR. GRANT**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 (1.) If he will be good enough to obtain, and lay before this House, a copy of the Report recently drawn up by surveyors for the information of Melbourne capitalists concerning the River Murray, its tributaries, and the various rivers throughout Riverina.
 (2.) What is the distance between Portland Bay and the nearest point of the River Murray—say Swan Hill.
 (3.) What would be the probable cost of constructing a canal similar to the Wall End Canal, to carry ships of not less than 1,500 tons burden from the River Murray to Portland Bay.

2. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
- (1.) Is it true that locomotive drivers and firemen, employed in running trains between Sandhurst and Woodend and Sandhurst and Echuca, are compelled, very frequently, to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
 - (2.) Is it true that, on 25th and 26th September, two men were compelled, as per time table, to remain on duty for 32 hours without recess.
 - (3.) Will he give instructions, without delay, for the employment of a greater number of drivers and firemen on the said lines, so as to allow of the establishment of the eight hours system, as far as practicable.

TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it is the intention of his department to appoint the Local Shire and Borough Councils as Boards of Advice, in lieu of the present arrangements.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "The Public Service Act, No. 773."

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.

4. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should take such steps as will effectually prevent the Melbourne Harbor Trust importing any material, machinery, stores, or plant that can be obtained or manufactured in the colony.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOZ : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zoz, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 8th October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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Removal of Doubts Bill.—[53] As reported 30th September. (To Members of Council only.)

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The Judicature Act 1883.—Rules of the Supreme Court 1884. No. 71.

Church of England Property Trustees Bill.—Report from the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*)

Public Houses in Melbourne.—Return. C.—No. 4.

Waterworks Act 1880 Amendment Bill. Petition. E.—No. 4.

Crown Lands Bill.—[3] As reported 1st October. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Crown Lands Bill.—[3] New clause to be proposed by Mr. A. T. Clark. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Printers and Newspapers Registration Statute Amendment Bill.—[31]

Printers and Newspapers Registration Statute Amendment Bill.—[31] New clause to be proposed by Mr. Hall. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Vaccination Law Amendment Bill.—[64]

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 - (3.) Will he give instructions, without delay, for the employment of a greater number of drivers and firemen on the said lines, so as to allow of the establishment of the eight hours system, as far as practicable.
3. MR. BELL : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether the charges now being made at the Hall of Science for Sunday lectures or entertainments, and similar cases, do not come within the provisions of the 30th section of the Police Offences Statute; and, if so, will the Government direct the police authorities to take action in this and similar cases.
4. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether his attention has been directed to the fact that some gold mining companies are at present paying dividends although heavily in debt; and, if so, whether he will take steps to enforce the law relating to this subject.
5. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if his attention has been called to the want of accommodation at the Broadlands school, near Bairnsdale; and to ask if he will take early steps to provide the extra room required.
6. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if his attention has been called to the alleged depredations of a gang of cardsharps, known as magmen, in this city; and, if so, will he direct some steps to be taken by the Police Department to enforce the law.
7. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether he will refrain from taking any steps in connection with the introduction of religious teaching into State schools, as desired by the deputation which waited upon him on Thursday last, until the Jewish body, who were not represented at that deputation, have an opportunity of laying their views on the matter before him.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to further amend "*The Local Government Act 1874.*"
2. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Bills of Lading.
3. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to make provision for the amendment of errors and informalities in proceedings before Justices of the Peace.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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6. **MR. DERHAM** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. **SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.**—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. **MR. W. M. CLARK** : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

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3. **STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.**—Second reading.
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6. **OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.**—Second reading.
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10. **PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.**—Second reading.
11. **MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.**—Second reading.
12. **INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

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1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.

8. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision 4, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. ZOX :** To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.
19. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
20. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river-ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
21. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
22. **MR. McLELLAN :** To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
23. **MR. GAUNSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Réginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
24. **MR. COOPER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training-ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should take such steps as will effectually prevent the Melbourne Harbor Trust importing any material, machinery, stores, or plant that can be obtained or manufactured in the colony.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. **MR. ZOZ :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS :** To move—
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 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zoz, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
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2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the Vote for the Defences Department being considered in Committee—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That the following condition be attached to the Vote :—
- (1.) That every Parliamentary elector physically capable of bearing arms should be provided with a rifle, and at convenient times instructed in its use.
 - (2.) That the force so formed should constitute a Reserve, available only in case of foreign attack.
 - (3.) That the expenditure thus incurred should be covered by a direct annual poll tax on all adult male persons incapable of bearing arms.

On the third reading of the Crown Lands Bill—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move that the following Clause be added to the Bill :—
- All roads in the colony now closed shall be thrown open for the use of the public, Roads to be opened after 1 January 1885. and any person or municipality closing any road, or keeping the same closed, after the first day of January next shall be liable to a penalty of One pound for every day on which such road shall be kept closed after the said day. Such penalty shall be recoverable in any court of petty sessions on the information or complaint of any ratepayer in the municipality in which such road is situated.
2. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That the following clause be added to the Bill :—
- The holder of a miner's right may, after obtaining a license from the Governor in Council, enter upon any lands alienated in fee simple or in respect of which a lease or license has been issued under the provisions of this Act, and may cut, construct, and use races for mining purposes on such lands without paying compensation to the owner, lessee, or licensee of such lands : Provided that the lands, so entered upon as aforesaid, are in close proximity to the banks of rivers or creeks known to be auriferous, and that the land on each bank of such rivers or creeks has been reserved ; and that it shall be incumbent on the Board to insert such a condition in all leases and licenses of lands so situated. Power to enter alienated lands to cut races, &c.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 8th October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the construction of certain lines of railway by the State.

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1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
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12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
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16. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.

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 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
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19. **MR. MCCOLL**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
20. **MR. SHACKELL**: To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
21. **MR. HALL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
22. **MR. McLELLAN**: To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
23. **MR. GAUNSON**: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
24. **MR. COOPER**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH**: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete; inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1884.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS TEMPORARY ADVANCES ACT 1882, No. 729—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—Consideration of Report.
2. REGISTRATION FEE ON DOGS.—Consideration of Report.
3. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
6. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
7. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
8. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
9. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
11. DOG BILL.—Second reading.
12. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
13. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. BILLS OF LADING BILL.—Second reading.
16. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
17. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
18. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. DERHAM: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of Colleges of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

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1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act*, No. 773.”

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
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 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
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TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROYSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “Nelson” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
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1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
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3. **DR. QUICK** : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move—
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 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

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PETER LALOR,
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BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 49.

THURSDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. WHEELER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will have a plan prepared showing the exact boundaries of the Daylesford division of the Castlemaine Mining District, and supply one to the Mining Registrar, at Daylesford, for the information of the public.
2. MR. GARDINER : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the testimonials to character which applicants obtain from Members of Parliament and others have any influence with the Commissioners ; and do they tend to advance the interests of those who take the trouble to obtain them when applying for positions in the Civil Service in response to advertisements.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. LAURENS : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the aggregate amount of compensation paid to, or on account of, the various persons injured by the Jolimont and other more recent accidents on the south suburban lines.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. STEAMING ORDERS BILL.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
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8. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
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11. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. BILLS OF LADING BILL.—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER.

Question.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to place a sum of money (say not less than £1,000) on the Additional Estimates, to be distributed in three separate amounts of £500, £300, and £200 respectively, as rewards to persons who shall, within one year from the date of the order, construct at his or their own cost on some source of water supply available for irrigating Victorian territory, the best and most adaptable irrigation plant capable of irrigating an area of 1,000 acres at the least, such rewards to apply to private irrigation plants already constructed, the said three separate sums of £500, £300, and £200 to be awarded to such persons only as have complied with the terms and conditions of regulations to be framed by the Water Supply Department, which said regulations when prepared shall be printed, and may be obtained by any person interested on making application for same to the Secretary for Mines.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

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1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
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9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
12. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

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General Business.

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1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—* That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COOPER: To move—
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 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
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 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
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 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
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 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 15th October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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No. 50.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to place a sum of money (say not less than £1,000) on the Additional Estimates, to be distributed in three separate amounts of £500, £300, and £200 respectively, as rewards to persons who shall, within one year from the date of the order, construct at his or their own cost on some source of water supply available for irrigating Victorian territory, the best and most adaptable irrigation plant capable of irrigating an area of 1,000 acres at the least, such rewards to apply to private irrigation plants already constructed, the said three separate sums of £500, £300, and £200 to be awarded to such persons only as have complied with the terms and conditions of regulations to be framed by the Water Supply Department, which said regulations when prepared shall be printed, and may be obtained by any person interested on making application for same to the Secretary for Mines.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, keeping in view the large sums of money raised by the Government in the London market, and the precedent established by the New South Wales Government of conducting the whole of its financial transactions through the Bank of New South Wales, the Government will take into consideration the question of limiting its financial transactions for the future to one or more of the Victorian banks.
3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been directed to Act No. 608, schedule 2, item 4, to Act No. 629, and Act No. 640, all of which provide for the expenditure of £150,000 to pay for a railway station at Melbourne; and to ask him, seeing that this station has not been made, to what purpose this treble ear-marked amount has been devoted, or whether any portion of it is unexpended and still available for the specified object.
4. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will take steps to record (in the forthcoming Education Report) as "certificated" all those teachers who have during or before the current month completed all the subjects required for such certificate.
5. **MR. MIRAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways what action it is proposed to take in relation to the uncompleted portion between Clifton Hill and Richmond of the Alphington to Richmond Railway which was authorised by the Railway Act of 1878.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WALKER** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The official estimate of the cost of the railway line, as surveyed by Mr. Elsdon, for the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company, commencing at Hawthorn and terminating near O'Shanassy's Hotel, Kew.
 - (2.) The estimate for the line as originally proposed in the Railway Bill of 1882.
 - (3.) The estimate of the line as finally settled in connexion with the same Bill.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.
3. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
6. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

(*To take precedence.*)

1. **MR. ZOx** : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
2. SCOTS' CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
12. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
8. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunés.

12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
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16. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
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 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
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 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
20. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

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On every store sheep	4d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
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 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
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 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

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 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
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3. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished" That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 15th October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 51.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. ZOX : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works whether it is the intention of the Government to take any action, during the present Session of Parliament, to secure the better maintenance of the main roads leading to the metropolis.
2. MR. HALL : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if his attention has been called to the statement of Mr. Justice Williams on Friday last, at Benalla, to the effect that the Benalla Court House could only be compared to a barn, and was totally inadequate to the requirements of the district; and to ask the Minister if he would provide suitable accommodation at an early date.
3. MR. REID : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he is aware of the fact that trains are now running, and have been so running for months, without any brake-van at the back of the train on the Toorak line; and, if so, what action he proposes to take to stop such a practice.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Samuel McDonnell, late an officer of the Mining Department.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Residence Areas Act 1881.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Third reading.
2. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
3. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
6. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
15. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
12. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern and plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, be made by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line shall be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply, such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point, and that a sum of money not less than £10,000 sterling be put upon the Estimates for that purpose.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

16. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. MR. BENT: To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. MR. SHACKELL: To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
20. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. MR. McLELLAN: To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. MR. COOPER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

THURSDAY, 16TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been called to the address of Mr. Justice Williams to the jury, at the Supreme Court sittings in Benalla, last Friday, as to the disgraceful state of the Benalla Court House; and if he will recommend to his Government to remedy the evils complained of.
2. DR. ROSE: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take into favorable consideration the losses in business, &c., sustained by those small-pox patients who have been quarantined for the benefit of the general community; and if he will make some provision on the Additional Estimates for their compensation in addition to that which is paid by the local boards for the expenses incurred by these patients during their illness, and authorised by the Health Act.
3. MR. WRIXON: To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government will either take charge of the Employers Liability Bill or allow time for its consideration.

4. MR. W. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Premier when he intends introducing a Bill to amend "*The Victorian Water Conservation Act 1881*," including a provision that the interest on loans obtained from Government may be paid out of shire funds.
5. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to the way the carriages are lighted on the Melbourne to Sale and Traralgon to Heyfield Railway lines; and to ask if he will take steps to provide improved lights.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DEAKIN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to the supervision and regulation of workrooms and factories, to provide for the early closing of shops, and for other purposes.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOZ: To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.

TUESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. CONNOR: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will have any objection to cause to be prepared and laid before this House a full report of the present condition of the pipe track from Moorabool river to Stony creek reservoir.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he will take steps to prevent the Melbourne Harbor Trust spending money in the construction of docks or slips until those in present use are fully utilized.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—* That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COOPER: To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.

- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
7. MR. LAURENS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL:—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and, the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 15th October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

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Statute of Trusts Amendment Bill.—[21] As reported 14th October. (To Members of Council only.)
Legal Profession Practice Bill.—[26] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. C. J. Ham; and new clauses to be proposed by the Hon. F. E. Beaver. (To Members of Council only.)
Bills of Lading Bill.—[55] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 50.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[51]
Dog Bill 1884.—[15] Proposed Amendments of which notice has been received up to the 14th October. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Amendment of Informalities Bill.—[59]
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 52.

THURSDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. DR. ROSE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take into favorable consideration the losses sustained by those small-pox patients who have been quarantined for the benefit of the general community; and if he will make some provision on the Additional Estimates for their compensation in addition to that which is paid by the local boards for the expenses incurred by these patients during their illness, and authorised by the Health Act.
2. MR. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government will either take charge of the Employers Liability Bill or allow time for its consideration.
3. MR. W. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he intends introducing a Bill to amend "*The Victorian Water Conservation Act 1881*," including a provision that the interest on loans obtained from Government may be paid out of shire funds.
4. MR. A. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to the way the carriages are lighted on the Melbourne to Sale and Traralgon to Heyfield Railway lines; and to ask if he will take steps to provide improved lights.
5. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been directed to the Act of the Imperial Parliament 21 George III., chapter 49, section 1, and to the case of *Terry versus Brighton Aquarium Co.*, Law Report 10 Q.B., 306; and to ask whether, under this Act, the Government will take steps to prevent the charging for admission to the Hall of Science on Sundays, which is now being used for public entertainments and public debating.
6. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will suggest to the Railway Commissioners the propriety of providing a better supply of first-class carriages on the Gippsland Railway.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. M. H. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Samuel McDonnell, late an officer of the Mining Department.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to the supervision and regulation of workrooms and factories, to provide for the early closing of shops, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
14. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That Mr. Burrowes, Mr. Cooper, and Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith be added to the Members appointed to bring in the Mining Accidents Fund Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

TUESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will have any objection to cause to be prepared and laid before this House a full report of the present condition of the pipe track from Moorabool river to Stony creek reservoir.
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
5. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
6. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
7. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—* That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.

3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
7. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
8. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. MR. SHACKELL : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
18. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.

(2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.

(3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

20. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

21. MR. McLELLAN: To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.

22. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.

23. MR. COOPER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”

2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.

3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.

2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.

3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “Nelson” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.

5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.

2. MR. ZOX: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.

3. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 22nd October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

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Victorian Military Forces.—Additional Regulations. No. 80.

Victorian Naval Forces.—Regulations. No. 81.

Married Women's Property Bill 1884.—[5] Amendments to be moved by Mr. M. H. Davies.
(To Members of Assembly only.)

Railways Construction Bill 1884.—[66] Proposed Amendments of which notice has been received up to the 15th October. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROYSTON JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

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2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
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5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
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 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
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8. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.

9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case; and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
20. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
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On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the Staté.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

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- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 22nd October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17 OCTOBER, 1884.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly Nos. 51 and 52.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[53]

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the Year 1883–84. No. 78.

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns, for Quarter ended 30th June, 1884. A.—No. 6.

Victorian Railways—Railways Construction Bill—Statement by the Victorian Railways Commissioners of the Estimated Cost of proposed New Lines, and of probable Traffic and other Returns therefrom. (To Members of Assembly only.) A.—No. 7.

Mining Accident Relief Fund Bill.—[1]

Railways Construction Bill 1884.—[66] Proposed Amendments of which notice has been received up to the 16th October. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. DR. QUICK : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether the question as regards the liability of municipalities for payment of the cost of service of summonses in rate cases has been considered by him, and what instructions have been issued to clerks of the peace on the subject.
2. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he has any objection to lay before this House a copy of the correspondence from Mr. McCormick, Police Magistrate, regarding the evils now existing under the provisions of section 12 of *The Pounds Act*, No. 478.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
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7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

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(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

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Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

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17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
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19. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
20. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
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23. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. **STOCK TAX.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
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On every fat sheep	6d.

 and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow	2s. 6d.”
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. **COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.**—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. **MR. VOX :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. **DR. QUICK :** To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS :** To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.

- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speake

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 22nd October.

BROOKES AND CURRIE'S PETITION—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 17 OCTOBER, 1884.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[34]

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[19] Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Statute of Trusts Amendment Bill.—[21] Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. W. A. Zeal. (To Members of Council only.)

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Victorian Railways—Railways Construction Bill—Statement by the Victorian Railways Commissioners of the Estimated Cost of proposed New Lines, and of probable Traffic and other Returns therefrom. A.—No. 7. (Issue completed.)

Railways Construction Bill.—[66] Proposed amendments of which notice has been received up to the 21st October. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Residence Areas Bill 1884.—[67] Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Burrowes. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 55.

THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1884.

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 - (1.) If local option is to be applied, shall compensation be paid for losses sustained through closing hotels.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to authorize a payment out of the Assurance Fund under the Transfer of Land Statute.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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15. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.

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(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WALKER : To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be dispensed with, so that the Petition from the Melbourne Tramways Trust, presented to the House on the 9th October instant, may be referred to the Select Committee to which the Melbourne Tramways and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill has been committed.

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On every store sheep	4d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is*—That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
3. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
6. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
7. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
8. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
9. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
10. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.

2. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWS: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
7. MR. LAURENS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
8. MR. MACKAY: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
9. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice; and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.

- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether he will take steps to prevent the Melbourne Harbor Trust spending money in the construction of docks or slips until those in present use are fully utilized.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government will take into favorable consideration the propriety of placing a sum of £1,000 on the Additional Estimates, for the rifle clubs throughout the colony, as prizes for shooting.
3. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the increments due to the officers of the Post and Telegraph Department have yet been paid.
4. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the present state of public business in Parliament, the Government propose to introduce a Bill during the present Session to amend the Licensing Statute ; if not, whether it would not be expedient, either by a Board or Commission, to institute further enquiry into the subject during the ensuing recess, with a view of ascertaining—
 - (1.) If local option is to be applied, shall compensation be paid for losses sustained through closing hotels.
 - (2.) If so, should it be paid out of the general or local revenues to the landlord or tenant; or both, and upon what basis.
 - (3.) Whether Sunday trading should be rigidly prohibited or not ; and if the Licensing Bench should be elected by the ratepayers, and stricter supervision exercised with regard to the quality of liquors sold ; also whether means should be adopted to restrict the number of hotels to population ; and generally to enquire into the whole question, so that Parliament may be fully seized of the subject when called upon to deal with it.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to factories and the hours of trading in shops.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
15. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
17. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER : To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be dispensed with, so that the Petition from the Melbourne Tramways Trust, presented to the House on the 9th October instant, may be referred to the Select Committee to which the Melbourne Tramways and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill has been committed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

(200 copies.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
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THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

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1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCEEDINGS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is*—That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added
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10. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
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 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove succes-ful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.

- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
7. MR. LAURENS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
8. MR. MACKAY: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
9. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."*Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—*

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he now finds that his departmental arrangements for dealing with the Crown lands under the provisions of the contemplated Land Bill, will be sufficiently advanced for the purposes of the Act, when same comes into operation, say 1st January next.
2. MR. GARDINER: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will make arrangements to pay Mr. William Lishman Seth's pension, the payments to date from the time he was compelled to leave the General Post Office through ill health.
3. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey whether he can state the number and names of pastoral licensees, now holding under the provisions of the Land Act of 1869, whose runs will be affected by the contemplated Land Bill.
4. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if, in notifying the coming elections for the various vermin boards under "*The Mallee Leases Act 1883*," he is giving any other publicity than through the *Government Gazette*; and also, if he intends to appoint more polling places.
5. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he has any objection to lay before this House the papers relating to the occupation, by F. McDonald, of land in the electorate of Emerald Hill.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
5. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
15. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
17. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
18. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WALKER: To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be dispensed with, so that the Petition from the Melbourne Tramways Trust, presented to the House on the 9th October instant, may be referred to the Select Committee to which the Melbourne Tramways and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill has been committed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883*."

(200 copies.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. MR. GRANT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.

12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
20. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.**—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
2. **EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.**—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House."
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WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, in view of the great advantage the stump jumping plough will be to the holders of the Mallee country in helping to permanently settle the Crown tenants on the said land, will he allow the above-named implement to be admitted into Victoria duty free, or purchase the patent right in Victoria for its benefit.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

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 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school-teachers.

- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 58.

THURSDAY, 30TH OCTOBER, 1884.

Question.

1. MR. J. J. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if his attention has been called to a paragraph in the *Hamilton Spectator*, of the 25th October, referring to "a very curious decision given by the Bench," in Portland, on Thursday, the 23rd October, by which a school teacher was fined for punishing a boy for misconduct while returning from school ; also, does the Minister consider that teachers have jurisdiction or not over the conduct of their pupils while proceeding to or returning from school.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) All the mining leases in the colony.
 - (2.) The area of each lease.
 - (3.) The names of the holders.
 - (4.) The labour covenants.
 - (5.) The numbers of men employed ; and
 - (6.) The number of leases forfeited.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday next, the 5th November.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
3. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Assembly disagreed with by the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
4. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
6. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
7. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
8. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
17. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.

(200 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. BAKER : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, in view of the great advantage the stump jumping plough will be to the holders of the Mallee country in helping to permanently settle the Crown tenants on the said land, will he allow the above-named implement to be admitted into Victoria duty free, or purchase the patent right in Victoria for its benefit.
2. MR. HALL ; To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If his attention has been called to a Royal Commission, appointed in New South Wales, who have under consideration a scheme to divert the head waters of the Snowy River, and to retain the whole body of water for their own use.
 - (2.) Whether objection should not be taken to New South Wales interfering with a river whose outlet is in Victorian territory.

General Business.

(After nine o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
3. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
6. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
7. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
8. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
9. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
10. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—* That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
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WEDNESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern and plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.

6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEANSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the N'over, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

20. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
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No. 59.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. BAKER:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs, in view of the great advantage the stump jumping plough will be to the holders of the Mallee country in helping to permanently settle the Crown tenants on the said land, will he allow the above-named implement to be admitted into Victoria duty free, or purchase the patent right in Victoria for its benefit.
2. **MR. HALL;** To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) If his attention has been called to a Royal Commission, appointed in New South Wales, who have under consideration a scheme to divert the head waters of the Snowy River, and to retain the whole body of water for their own use.
 - (2.) Whether objection should not be taken to New South Wales interfering with a river whose outlet is in Victorian territory.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.**—Amendments of the Legislative Assembly disagreed with by the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
4. **RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—**To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
7. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.**—To be considered in Committee.
8. **TRAMWAYS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **PATENTS BILL.**—Second reading.
10. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
11. **TRADES UNIONS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
12. **DOG BILL (No. 2).**—Second reading.
13. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
14. **REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.**—Second reading.
15. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
16. **JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.**—Second reading.
17. **ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
18. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
19. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. **COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.**—*The question is*—That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
3. **POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
4. **COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.**—Second reading.
6. **COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.**—Consideration of Report.
8. **PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Second reading.
9. **MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.**—Second reading.
10. **BOILERS LAW.**—Consideration of Report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

(200 copies.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COOPER : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
2. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
3. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
4. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
5. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
6. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
7. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
8. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
9. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

THURSDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Victorian Water Conservation Acts 1881 and 1883.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. BENT ; To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—
Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL :—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.

7. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move, That, whereas by the sixteenth section of the Constitution Act it is among other things provided "That no person, being a Member of the Council, shall be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the Assembly, nor shall any person, being a Member of the said Assembly, be capable of being elected or of sitting or voting as a Member of the said Council," this House deems it desirable, in order to facilitate the transaction of public business, that the said sixteenth section of the Constitution Act be so amended as to permit of any Member of the Council—he being at the time a Minister of the Crown—occupying a seat in the said Assembly.
13. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
14. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
15. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
16. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
17. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
18. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
19. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
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20. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
21. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
22. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
23. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 5th November.

MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL—at eleven o'clock.

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 37.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[38]

Statute of Trusts 1864 Amendment Bill.—[21] As reported 30th October. (To Members of Council only.)

Crown Lands Bill.—[3] New clause to be proposed by the Hon. D. Coutts; and new clauses to be proposed by the Hon. H. Cuthbert. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 58.

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Local Government Act 1874 further Amendment Bill.—[47]

Railways Construction Bill.—[66] New sub-clause to be proposed by Mr. Bent. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 60.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether there would be any objection to lay before this House a return showing the disposal, during the year ending 30th June, 1884, of the advertising vote, together with the amounts paid to the various newspapers.
2. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to a telegram from Queensland in the *Argus* of the 2nd October last to the effect that tenders had been accepted for the construction of dredge plant, including two steam launches for screw tug boats and fifteen hopper barges, at a cost of about £50,000—the successful tenderers being Brisbane firms; and to ask when tenders will be invited for the proposed new dredge to complete the cutting of the Bar in Corio Bay and for the deepening of the South Channel.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DEAKIN : To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Victorian Water Conservation Acts 1881 and 1883.
2. MR. SERVICE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the raising of money for the redemption or payment of certain debentures, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Consideration of Report.
2. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
3. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Assembly disagreed with by the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
4. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
5. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
6. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
8. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
9. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
11. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
15. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
17. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
18. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
19. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
20. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed; also grocers' and temporary licences.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for papers and documents.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

(200 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
14. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
17. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
18. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
19. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
20. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
21. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.

9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
- (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
17. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
22. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
23. **MR. COOPER** : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.

- (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
- (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
- (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
- (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
24. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
25. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
26. MR. GARDINER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
27. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
28. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
29. MR. LAURENS: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
30. MR. MACKAY: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
31. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved:—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following further amendment has been moved:—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment:—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

4. **RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH :** To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. **MR. RICHARDSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. **MR. ZOx :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. **DR. QUICK :** To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS :** To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On consideration of Report or third reading of the "Railways Construction Bill 1884"—

1. MR. MOORE: To move, That the following new sub-clause be added to clause 3:—

A railway commencing at the termination of the authorized line from Eaglehawk to Kerang and terminating in the township of Swan Hill in the line and upon the lands described in the Schedule hereto, to be called the Kerang and Swan Hill Railway.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 61.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will cause additional instructions to be issued to mounted constables in charge of country stations to specially patrol their districts, with a view of suppressing the careless use of fire during the harvest months, and thus materially lessen the chances of bush fires.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he has approved of an officer of his Department preparing plans and inspecting works in connexion with a gold mining company in the Creswick district ; and also whether he considers it is in accordance with the Civil Service regulations.
3. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to ask Mr. Howard Vincent's opinion and advice upon our Prison, Reformatory, and Boarding-out systems ; and more particularly as to his practical experience in the classification of prisoners and their conditional liberation upon probation, corporal punishment, and reformatory ships like the *Sydney Vernon*.
4. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) If it is a fact that the Railway Department has permitted Messrs. Higgins and Wright, late railway contractors for the Oakleigh railway line, to go to arbitration respecting certain claims which they have made against the Department in connexion with the contract in question.
 - (2.) Would the Minister explain the circumstances under which the matter was allowed to go to arbitration.
 - (3.) Has the Department taken any steps to defend the public against these demands ; and, if so, what is the nature of them.
 - (4.) What is the cost of arbitration up to date, and who is paying the expenses.
5. **MR. DERHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when the usual annual increments to the employés of the Railway Department will be made payable.
6. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will take steps to proceed without delay with the powder magazine at Lightning Hill, Borough of Eaglehawk, the present magazine being now almost surrounded with buildings.
7. **MR. GRAVES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he is aware that some years since a Select Committee of this House recommended that the senior or district inspectors of sheep and stock should be at least three years prior to their appointment to that office discharging the duties of junior or border inspectors, and that his predecessors in office rigidly adhered to this recommendation, and granted promotions solely by seniority and experience in the department.
8. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take into consideration the desirability of placing the water supply of the colony under the control and direction of one political head free from the control of any other department.
9. **MR. CONNOR** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to a telegram from Queensland in the *Argus* of the 2nd October last to the effect that tenders had been accepted for the construction of dredge plant, including two steam launches for screw tug boats and fifteen hopper barges, at a cost of about £50,000—the successful tenderers being Brisbane firms ; and to ask when tenders will be invited for the proposed new dredge to complete the cutting of the Bar in Corio Bay and for the deepening of the South Channel.
10. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if the Government of Victoria will depute one of its officers, say Captain Fullarton, to proceed without further delay to New Guinea in one of our local men-of-war for the purpose of annexing the north-eastern coast of that island to the colony of Victoria.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. GRAVES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the disposal of the advertising vote, together with the amounts paid to the various newspapers for the year ending October 2nd, 1883, and the year ending October 2nd, 1884.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the law relating to Banking Companies.

(200 copies.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Third reading.
2. LOAN BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
3. AGENT-GENERAL'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
4. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
5. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Assembly disagreed with by the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
6. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
7. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of.—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
10. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
11. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
16. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
17. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
19. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
20. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
21. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
22. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
23. LOAN BILL.—Second reading.
24. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOZ : To move, That the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill to authorize the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company, Limited, to construct tramway branches in the cities of Melbourne and Collingwood, and in the borough of St. Kilda, and for other purposes, be now taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate
2. SCOTS CHURCH, MELBOURNE, BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION RELATING TO BILL:—

1. MR. W. M. CLARK : To move; That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend “*The Melbourne Harbor Trust Further Amendment Act 1883.*”

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. BALLARAT FREE LIBRARY GRANT BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
10. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
11. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is*—That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
14. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
16. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
17. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
18. BAKERS AND MILLERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
19. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
20. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
21. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
22. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. MIRAMS** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution, and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.

17. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. MR. SHACKELL: To move—
- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. MR. McLELLAN: To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That there be laid before this House, a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
22. MR. COOPER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
23. MR. COOPER: To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
24. MR. HALL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
25. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
26. MR. GARDNER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
27. MR. BURROWS: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
28. MR. DERHAM: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.

29. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
30. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
31. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
 2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
 3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—
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| On every store cow ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2s. 6d. |
| On every store bullock | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4s. 0d. |
| On every fat cow ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5s. 0d. |
| On every fat bullock ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8s. 0d. |
| On every store sheep ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4d. |
| On every fat sheep ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6d. |
- and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—
“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”
4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

General Business.

THURSDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

Question.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

1. MR. MCLEAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the Government will consider the desirability of including a sum of, say, £100,000 or £150,000, in their next Railway Loan Bill, for the purpose of constructing a few test lines of light railways or steam tramways, on the narrow gauge principle, suitable for mountainous country, in such localities as may be deemed most suitable.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn, screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill. (*Private.*) (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 62.

THURSDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. PEARSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether there is any objection to putting up the north sidings at Brunswick to auction, as was lately done with the south sidings, instead of inviting tenders for them.
2. MR. LAURENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Carlton Orderly Room has been transferred to the Council of Defence, pursuant to agreement between the Crown and the recently disbanded Carlton Volunteer Corps.
3. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will cause additional instructions to be issued to mounted constables in charge of country stations to specially patrol their districts, with a view of suppressing the careless use of fire during the harvest months, and thus materially lessen the chances of bush fires.
4. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways—
 - (1.) If it is a fact that the Railway Department has permitted Messrs. Higgins and Wright, late railway contractors for the Oakleigh railway line, to go to arbitration respecting certain claims which they have made against the Department in connexion with the contract in question.
 - (2.) Would the Minister explain the circumstances under which the matter was allowed to go to arbitration.
 - (3.) Has the Department taken any steps to defend the public against these demands ; and, if so, what is the nature of them.
 - (4.) What is the cost of arbitration up to date, and who is paying the expenses.
5. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he is aware that some years since a Select Committee of this House recommended that the senior or district inspectors of sheep and stock should be at least three years prior to their appointment to that office discharging the duties of junior or border inspectors, and that his predecessors in office rigidly adhered to this recommendation, and granted promotions solely by seniority and experience in the department.
6. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if his attention has been called to a telegram from Queensland in the *Argus* of the 2nd October last to the effect that tenders had been accepted for the construction of dredge plant, including two steam launches for screw tug boats and fifteen hopper barges, at a cost of about £50,000—the successful tenderers being Brisbane firms ; and to ask when tenders will be invited for the proposed new dredge to complete the cutting of the Bar in Corio Bay and for the deepening of the South Channel.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOAN BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—Consideration of Report.
2. AGENT-GENERAL'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—Consideration of Report.
3. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW.—Consideration of Report.
4. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—Consideration of Report.
5. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
6. PATENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. DOG BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
10. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
11. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
14. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. LOAN BILL.—Second reading.
17. BANKING COMPANIES LAW.—To be considered in Committee.
18. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
19. PASSENGERS, HARBORS, AND NAVIGATION STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
20. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“ That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
21. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
22. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
23. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
24. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
3. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. McLEAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the Government will consider the desirability of including a sum of, say, £100,000 or £150,000, in their next Railway Loan Bill, for the purpose of constructing a few test lines of light railways or steam tramways, on the narrow gauge principle, suitable for mountainous country, in such localities as may be deemed most suitable.
2. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if his attention has been called to a recent decision of the Seymour Bench when a newspaper proprietor was fined £5 for failing to attach a complete imprint to a placard printed by him ; and to ask what steps, if any, he will take towards remission of the penalty.
3. MR. ORKNEY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 - (1.) If Mr. J. H. Raymond was employed in the years 1880 and 1881 to direct and instruct selectors and others where and how to apply phosphorated oats for the destruction of rabbits.
 - (2.) Were there any agreement and terms for such services.
 - (3.) The particulars of payments to him for salary and travelling expenses.
 - (4.) If balance due to him will be included in Additional Estimates.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. McCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture—
 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.

4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
13. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
16. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
17. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
18. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
19. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
20. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
 2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
 3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
- To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern and plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional

- Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
 9. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
 11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
 12. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
 13. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
 14. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
 15. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
 16. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
 17. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 18. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
 19. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
 20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract-resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
 21. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the services of Mr. Reginald Green in the police force of Victoria.
 22. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

23. MR. COOPER : To move—

- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
24. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
25. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
26. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
27. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
28. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
29. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
30. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
31. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL.—Third reading.
2. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.

4. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. **MR. RICHARDSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. **MR. ZOx** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. **DR. QUICK** : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture ; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. **MR. BAKER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. McLEAN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if the Government will consider the desirability of including a sum of, say, £100,000 or £150,000, in their next Railway Loan Bill, for the purpose of constructing a few test lines of light railways or steam tramways, on the narrow gauge principle, suitable for mountainous country, in such localities as may be deemed most suitable.
2. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if his attention has been called to a recent decision of the Seymour Bench when a newspaper proprietor was fined £5 for failing to attach a complete imprint to a placard printed by him; and to ask what steps, if any, he will take towards remission of the penalty.
3. **MR. WALLACE** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he is aware that a substitute was not appointed during the absence of Mr. Odell, the Receiver and Paymaster of Omeo, who had to attend court at Sale.
4. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he has received any decision or recommendation from the Railway Commissioners with regard to the reduction on the freight of grain and other agricultural produce as asked for by a large deputation of farmers some months ago.
5. **MR. BENT** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Is it correct that members of the Police Force on attaining the age of 55 years are ineligible for promotion; and if so, how long does the order exist, is it retrospective, and has it been promulgated.
 - (2.) Has the rule been applied to all promotions since the publication of the Report of the Royal Commission on Police.
 - (3.) Are the following clauses of the Orders in Council of the 23rd April, 1856, and the 13th August, 1877, known as the Police Regulations, which say—"That all vacancies in the grades above that of constable and up to and including that of superintendent are filled up by promotion from the next inferior rank, so that every inducement is thus held out to men of good class to enter the force and exert themselves whilst in it, for by efficiently performing their duties to the public they are consulting their own interests," repealed; and, if so, is the right acquired by those who have fulfilled the above conditions to be ignored or taken from them by subsequent regulations.
6. **MR. HALL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to bring in an Electoral Act Amendment Bill next Session; and, if so, will he consider favorably the principle of single constituencies in accordance with the prayer of several Petitions which have been presented.
7. **DR. QUICK** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether his attention has been directed to a letter in the *Argus* of 13th November, signed "Pater," under the heading "A warning to visitors to the Botanical Gardens," and whether he will cause the Chief Commissioner of Police to take action in the matter with a view to the prosecution of vagabonds infesting public parks and gardens.
8. **MR. GRANT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if his attention has been called to a letter received from Mr. J. D. Baragwanath, formerly a member of this House, of which the following is an extract:—"I was in Melbourne the other day and met our mutual friend, Mr. D. Blair. I had not seen him for twenty years previously. I spoke to him to the effect that I thought in this age of railway progress and the admitted great benefits, both national and social, derived from the national system of railways, of which you, him, and myself are among the few left of the old Members of Parliament who voted for the £8,000,000 to initiate the said great railway system, it would be only a graceful recognition of past valuable services to allow us to travel free by rail for the short time we may naturally expect allotted to us here below"; and to ask if, under the circumstances, there only being eleven out of nineteen ex-Members now alive, if he can see his way to grant such concession.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. RESIDENCE AREAS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. ASSURANCE FUND PAYMENT BILL.—Third reading.
4. PATENTS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
5. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Consideration of Report.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
7. BANKING COMPANIES LAW.—Consideration of Report.
8. DOG BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
9. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.

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12. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Second reading.
13. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Second reading.
14. LOAN BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
15. AGENT-GENERAL'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
17. PASSENGERS, HARBORS, AND NAVIGATION STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
18. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
19. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
20. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
21. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
22. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture—
 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is*—That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
13. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
16. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
17. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
18. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
19. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
20. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the érection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

10. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established, and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. MR. PEANSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. MR. McCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
17. MR. McCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. MR. COOPER : To move—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.

- (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
- (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
- (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
27. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.
32. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
33. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
34. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL.—Third reading.
2. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.

5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. ZoX, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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Crown Lands Bill.—Amendment proposed by Hon. F. T. Sargood, at end of clause 74. (To Members of Council only.)

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No. 64.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

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 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will order that an estimate be prepared showing the probable cost of constructing a railway tunnel under Soldier's Hill, Ballarat West, with a view to abolishing the level crossing in Lydiard street.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
4. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
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 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. ANDERSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return, showing the amount received annually by Government for Licence Fees, since the coming into operation of the present Act, distinguishing the amounts for licences for houses never previously licensed, and those received for houses where the licence had lapsed for a time, but has been renewed ; also grocers' and temporary licences.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, That *The Waterworks Act 1880 Amendment Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Wednesday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PATENTS BILL.—Third reading.
2. TRADES UNIONS BILL.—Third reading.
3. REMOVAL OF DOUBTS BILL.—Third reading.
4. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PROCEEDINGS BILL.—Third reading.
5. PASSENGERS, HARBORS, AND NAVIGATION STATUTE FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
6. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
7. DOG BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
8. AGENT-GENERAL'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
11. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
14. LOAN BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
15. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
16. BANKING COMPANIES' LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
17. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
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19. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
20. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
21. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
13. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
14. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
16. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
17. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
18. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
19. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
20. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

 and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—
“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”
4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.

5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to enquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
17. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.

20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. **MR. COOPER** : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
27. **MR. DERHAM** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. **MR. MACKAY** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
32. **MR. BENT** : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.

33. MR. GAUNSON: To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
34. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.

Private Bill Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL.—Third reading.
2. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

THURSDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOx: To move, That *The Mining Accidents Fund Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Thursday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

TUESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will place a sum on the Additional Estimates to repair the Upper Grassy Flat Reservoir.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Memorial presented to the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, in favour of a surface irrigation canal from the Goulburn to the Loddon, on April 27th, 1883, and ordered to be printed by this House on September 27th, 1883, has been considered by the Water Supply Department, and if so what decision has been arrived at on the subject.
3. MR. MCCOLL: To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the drought that impends over the residents of the norther plains, he will consider it desirable to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the sources of our water supply, its conservation, and reticulation for agricultural, pastoral, and other purposes.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH: To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOx: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK: To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
4. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the establishment of a British Protectorate over a few unimportant islands and an undefined strip of the South Coast of New Guinea is the realization of what the Australian colonies have been contending for during the past twelve months.
 - (2.) If not, whether the matter is to be allowed to rest where it is, and the future welfare of these colonies to be subjected to the caprice or indifference of a British Minister whose acts show an utter want of sympathy with the just demands of his fellow subjects in this portion of the empire.

- (3.) Whether, under these wholly unexpected circumstances, he considers this colony either honorably or morally bound to pay any portion of the expenses of an administration which seems to have been established in pure mockery of the claims of the colonies.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On third reading of “The Local Government Act Further Amendment Bill”—

1. MR. CONNOR : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—
A. The Council of the Town of Geelong may contract for making and constructing within the town or any part or parts thereof gas-works and conveniences connected therewith for making and supplying gas, and may make a gas-rate or charge upon persons using or consuming gas supplied by such council.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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THURSDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to remove the disability Members of Parliament labor under through being unable to accept commissions in the Militia.
2. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey when the return showing the grazing capabilities of certain districts, and ordered by this House on the 27th August last, will be furnished.
3. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what action, if any, the Government propose to take to provide the town of Geelong and suburbs with a temporary and permanent supply of water.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey what action he intends taking in the appointment or election of a Vermin Board, for what is known as the eastern district of the mallee country.
5. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the question in reference to sorters in the General Post Office has yet been dealt with.
6. MR. C. YOUNG : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General what course the Government propose to take with respect to Robert Summers, a prisoner now under sentence for assault and robbery.
7. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will cause a Bill to be introduced enabling married women, already holding publicans' licenses, to apply for renewals, and for licenses in respect of transfers already effected.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AGENT-GENERAL'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. DOG BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
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2. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
4. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

TUESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will place a sum on the Additional Estimates to repair the Upper Grassy Flat Reservoir.
2. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if departmental mining surveyors are not classified under the new Public Service Act.
 - (2.) Are they not appointed by the Governor in Council.
 - (3.) Have they not always been recognized as officers of the State.
3. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Memorial presented to the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, in favour of a surface irrigation canal from the Goulburn to the Loddon, on April 27th, 1883, and ordered to be printed by this House on September 27th, 1883, has been considered by the Water Supply Department, and if so what decision has been arrived at on the subject.
4. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the drought that impends over the residents of the northern plains, he will consider it desirable to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the sources of our water supply, its conservation, and reticulation for agricultural, pastoral, and other purposes.

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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture—
 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
13. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
15. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
16. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
17. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

4. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her..
16. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
17. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

19. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. MR. COOPER : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
27. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

32. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
33. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.

To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow ...	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock ...	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep ...	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow ... 2s. 6d.”

4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
- (1.) Whether the establishment of a British Protectorate over a few unimportant islands and an undefined strip of the South Coast of New Guinea is the realization of what the Australian colonies have been contending for during the past twelve months.
 - (2.) If not, whether the matter is to be allowed to rest where it is, and the future welfare of these colonies to be subjected to the caprice or indifference of a British Minister whose acts show an utter want of sympathy with the just demands of his fellow subjects in this portion of the empire.
 - (3.) Whether, under these wholly unexpected circumstances, he considers this colony either honorably or morally bound to pay any portion of the expenses of an administration which seems to have been established in pure mockery of the claims of the colonies.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible:
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On third reading of "The Local Government Act Further Amendment Bill"—

1. MR. CONNOR : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

A. The Council of the Town of Geelong may contract for making and constructing within the town or any part or parts thereof gas-works and conveniences connected therewith for making and supplying gas, and may make a gas-rate or charge upon persons using or consuming gas supplied by such council.

2. MR. KERFERD : To move, That the following new clauses be added to the Bill :—

B. When the council of any municipality shall have obtained an order authorizing the construction of any tramway under the provisions of "The Local Government Act 1883," such council may, subject to the provisions herein contained, delegate the authority conferred by such order to any person or corporation to construct, maintain, and manage such tramway upon such terms and subject to such conditions and stipulations not inconsistent with any of the provisions contained in such order as may be contained in any agreement in writing under the seal of such municipality and of the other party thereto; and upon the execution of such agreement when the same shall have been approved by the Governor in Council the rights powers privileges and obligations which by the said order were granted to or imposed upon such council shall for the purposes of the order be possessed by and imposed upon such person or corporation in the same way as if such person or corporation were the council of the municipality.

C. No proposition for delegating such authority shall be adopted by the council unless a notice thereof has been published in the *Government Gazette*, and also twice in some newspaper generally circulating in the neighborhood not less than one month nor more than three months before such proposition is adopted, stating that it is the intention of such council to delegate the authority aforesaid to a person or corporation.

D. Within one month after the publication of such notice as aforesaid, any twenty persons whose names are inscribed on the municipal roll may by writing under their hands delivered to the chairman or clerk of the municipality demand that the question whether or not such delegation of authority should be made be submitted to the election of the ratepayers.

E. When any such demand has been made the votes of the ratepayers shall be taken upon such question on a day to be fixed by the chairman of the municipality not less than twenty-one nor more than twenty-five clear days after the delivery of such demand, and such day shall be forthwith notified in some newspaper generally circulating in the neighbourhood, and on such day a poll shall be taken of all ratepayers who desire to forbid the council from delegating such authority; and at the taking of such poll papers in the form in the First Schedule hereto shall be used instead of ballot papers, and the returning officer his deputy or such other person as may be appointed to take the poll shall at the request of any person whose name is on the roll and who desires to forbid the council from delegating such authority deliver to such person as many of such papers as the number of votes to which such person appears by the roll to be entitled.

Municipal council may delegate authority to construct tramway.

Gazette notice to be published.

Power to demand the submission of proposal to the ratepayers.

Votes of the ratepayers how taken.

F. One scrutineer to be present in every polling booth shall be appointed by the council, and the persons demanding a poll may by writing under their hands or the hands of any three of them appoint one scrutineer to be present in every polling booth.

G. Immediately upon the close of the poll the returning officer or deputy or such other person as may be appointed at each polling booth shall proceed in the presence and subject to the inspection of the poll clerk and of so many of the scrutineers as please to be present to ascertain the number of votes recorded, and the deputy or such other person shall immediately forward a statement in writing made up under the inspection of the scrutineers of the total number of votes recorded, and such returning officer shall as soon as conveniently may be on or after the day of the poll give public notice of the number of votes recorded, and shall declare the council to be forbidden to delegate such authority or not to be so forbidden according as such number of votes forms or does not form one-third of the number of votes for which voters are inscribed on the municipal roll.

H. Subject to the foregoing provisions upon the submitting of any such question as aforesaid to the election of the ratepayers all proceedings shall be had and taken as nearly as may be as upon an election of councillors.

I. If no such demand is made as aforesaid that the question whether or not such delegation of authority be made be submitted to the election of the ratepayers, or if on such demand being made the ratepayers fail to forbid the council from delegating such authority the council may at any time not less than one month nor more than three months after the last publication of such notice as aforesaid make application to the Governor in Council for approval of the purposes mentioned in such notice.

Result how ascertained.

Proceedings to be had as upon an election of councillors.

If no demand made or ratepayers fail to forbid council may proceed.

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[or as the case may be].

This is to forbid the Council of the from proceeding further with a proposition for delegating authority for the construction of a tramway, notice of which has been published in the *Government Gazette* of

DIRECTIONS.

This paper is to be dropped by the voter desiring to forbid the above-mentioned proposition for delegating authority for the construction of a tramway into the ballot-box. The voter is not permitted to take his ballot-paper out of the ballot-room or polling-booth.

3. MR. BENT : To move, That the following new clauses be added to the Bill :—

J. The laying down of any track-way or pavement of iron steel wood or stone on any street or road and the construction or maintenance of the same shall be deemed permanent works and undertakings within the meaning of Part XIII. of the Principal Act.

Laying down of tracks of iron steel, &c.

K. Section forty-nine of "*The Local Government Act Amendment Act 1883*" is hereby repealed.

Repeal of section 49 No. 786

4. MR. LAURENS : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

L. The following words in section 79 of the Principal Act are hereby repealed—"whose name has been inserted in any such voters' list."

On the consideration of the report or third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

Person in charge of machinery, &c., to report defects.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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Trades Unions Bill.—[4] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 66.

TUESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. McCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will place a sum on the Additional Estimates to repair the Upper Grassy Flat Reservoir.
2. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if departmental mining surveyors are not classified under the new Public Service Act.
 - (2.) Are they not appointed by the Governor in Council.
 - (3.) Have they not always been recognized as officers of the State.
3. MR. McCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Memorial presented to the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, in favour of a surface irrigation canal from the Goulburn to the Loddon, on April 27th, 1883, and ordered to be printed by this House on September 27th, 1883, has been considered by the Water Supply Department, and if so what decision has been arrived at on the subject.
4. MR. GAUNSON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will take steps to prevent the undue exposure of the private affairs of defendants in legal proceedings arising out of searches made in the public law offices, and the improper publication of the results of such searches.
5. MR. McCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the drought that impends over the residents of the norther plains, he will consider it desirable to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the sources of our water supply, its conservation, and reticulation for agricultural, pastoral, and other purposes.
6. MR. MIRAMS : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) How many senior sorters there are drawing the increased salary provided for them.
 - (2.) How many sorters are there, leaving out of account the present claimants for the promotion, who, since the regulation came into force under which this increase of salary is paid, have been refused it upon the ground that they have not displayed the superior "zeal and ability" required.
 - (3.) Will he lay before the House a copy of each certificate, by virtue of which the present senior sorters have secured that position, with its additional emolument.
7. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to remove the disability Members of Parliament labor under through being unable to accept commissions in the Militia.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Consideration of Report.
2. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Second reading.
7. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. LOAN BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
9. BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
11. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
12. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That *The Mining Accidents Fund Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Thursday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.
2. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
3. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the practice prevailing in England, allowing licensed publicans to sell during limited hours on Sunday, should be adopted in the colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
2. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
5. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

(200 copies.)

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture—
 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
3. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSS TOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
13. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
15. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
16. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
17. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.

7. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. **MR. BENT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
17. **MR. McCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays, be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.

22. **MR. COOPER :** To move,—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general questions of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. **MR. BOWMAN :** To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. **MR. BURROWES :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
27. **MR. DERHAM :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. **MR. MACKAY :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
32. **MR. BENT :** To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
33. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

 and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—
“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”
4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

THURSDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a letter which appeared in the *South Gippsland Express* on the 30th October, which contained serious charges against a public officer in connection with applications for land at Jindivick ; and whether he purposes having the grave allegations referred to inquired into.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the establishment of a British Protectorate over a few unimportant islands and an undefined strip of the South Coast of New Guinea is the realization of what the Australian colonies have been contending for during the past twelve months.
 - (2.) If not, whether the matter is to be allowed to rest where it is, and the future welfare of these colonies to be subjected to the caprice or indifference of a British Minister whose acts show an utter want of sympathy with the just demands of his fellow subjects in this portion of the empire.
 - (3.) Whether, under these wholly unexpected circumstances, he considers this colony either honorably or morally bound to pay any portion of the expenses of an administration which seems to have been established in pure mockery of the claims of the colonies.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished," That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."*Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—*

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the consideration of the report or third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker

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Crown Lands Bill.—[3] As reported 20th November. (To Members of Council only.)

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Swan Hill Shire Waterworks Trust.—Detailed Statement *re* Application for an Additional Loan of £56,625. No. 89.

Wimmera United Waterworks Trust.—Detailed Statement and Report. No. 90.

Dog Bill.—[15] As reported 20th November. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 67.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Agriculture—
 - (1.) Whether it be true that James Riley (Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act) has resigned his appointment as such inspector ; and, if so, under what circumstances.
 - (2.) Whether it be true that the vacancy, occasioned by the resignation of James Riley, has been filled by the appointment of an officer from the Water Supply Department.
 - (3.) Whether William Kyle, senior border inspector (for Echuca and Moama) is not by seniority entitled to promotion to the office rendered vacant by the resignation of the said James Riley.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will place a sum on the Additional Estimates to repair the Upper Grassy Flat Reservoir.
3. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
4. **MR. BURROWES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if departmental mining surveyors are not classified under the new Public Service Act.
 - (2.) Are they not appointed by the Governor in Council.
 - (3.) Have they not always been recognized as officers of the State.
5. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.
6. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Memorial presented to the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply, in favour of a surface irrigation canal from the Goulburn to the Loddon, on April 27th, 1883, and ordered to be printed by this House on September 27th, 1883, has been considered by the Water Supply Department, and if so what decision has been arrived at on the subject.
7. **MR. GAUNSON** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will take steps to prevent the undue exposure of the private affairs of defendants in legal proceedings arising out of searches made in the public law offices, and the improper publication of the results of such searches.
8. **MR. MCCOLL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the drought that impends over the residents of the norther plains, he will consider it desirable to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the sources of our water supply, its conservation, and reticulation for agricultural, pastoral, and other purposes.
9. **MR. MIRAMS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) How many senior sorters there are drawing the increased salary provided for them.
 - (2.) How many sorters are there, leaving out of account the present claimants for the promotion, who, since the regulation came into force under which this increase of salary is paid, have been refused it upon the ground that they have not displayed the superior "zeal and ability" required.
 - (3.) Will he lay before the House a copy of each certificate, by virtue of which the present senior sorters have secured that position, with its additional emolument.
10. **MR. HUNT** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to remove the disability Members of Parliament labor under through being unable to accept commissions in the Militia.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **DOG BILL (No. 2).**—Consideration of Report.
2. **WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
6. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **LOAN BILL (No. 2).**—Second reading.
9. **BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
10. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
11. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.**—To be considered in Committee.
12. **TRAMWAYS BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
13. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.
14. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—To be further considered in Committee.

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(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—
Resumption of debate

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Second reading.
3. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
8. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
9. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
10. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
12. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—*
That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
13. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
15. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
16. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
17. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
18. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
19. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
20. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
21. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
22. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line-flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.

9. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 (1.) Station masters.
 (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 (3.) Guards.
17. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move—
 (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. **MR. McLELLAN :** To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. **MR. COOPER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. **MR. COOPER :** To move—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.

- (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board, must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
 24. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
 25. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
 26. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
 27. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
 28. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
 29. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
 30. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
 31. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
 32. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
 33. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.
 34. MR. ZOX : To move, That *The Mining Accidents Fund Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Thursday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.
 35. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
 36. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the practice prevailing in England, allowing licensed publicans to sell during limited hours on Sunday, should be adopted in the colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

 and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”
To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—
“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”
4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

THURSDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a letter which appeared in the *South Gippsland Express* on the 30th October, which contained serious charges against a public officer in connection with applications for land at Jindivick ; and whether he purposes having the grave allegations referred to inquired into.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the “*Nelson*” ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether the establishment of a British Protectorate over a few unimportant islands and an undefined strip of the South Coast of New Guinea is the realization of what the Australian colonies have been contending for, during the past twelve months.
 - (2.) If not, whether the matter is to be allowed to rest where it is, and the future welfare of these colonies to be subjected to the caprice or indifference of a British Minister whose acts show an utter want of sympathy with the just demands of his fellow subjects in this portion of the empire.
 - (3.) Whether, under these wholly unexpected circumstances, he considers this colony either honorably or morally bound to pay any portion of the expenses of an administration which seems to have been established in pure mockery of the claims of the colonies.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS: To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished." That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."*Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—*

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the consideration of the report or third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—

It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or Person in charge of machinery, &c., to report defects. machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker

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THURSDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a letter which appeared in the *South Gippsland Express* on the 30th October, containing serious charges against a public officer in connection with applications for land at Jindivick ; and whether he purposes having the grave allegations referred to inquired into.
2. MR. GRAVES : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he expects that the arrangements necessary to bring the Public Service Act into effect will be completed.
3. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if departmental mining surveyors are not classified under the new Public Service Act.
 - (2.) Are they not appointed by the Governor in Council.
 - (3.) Have they not always been recognized as officers of the State.
4. MR. MCCOLL : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the drought that impends over the residents of the northern plains, he will consider it desirable to appoint a Royal Commission to enquire into the sources of our water supply, its conservation, and reticulation for agricultural, pastoral, and other purposes.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The names of the persons acting as inspectors of mines.
 - (2.) Where stationed.
 - (3.) Date of appointment.
 - (4.) Whether they have passed examinations in any of the following subjects, and when :—
 - (a.) Surveying and levelling, and plotting surveys and levels.
 - (b.) Mechanics.
 - (c.) Construction and use of steam engines and air compressors.
 - (d.) Ventilation of mines, theoretical and practical.
 - (e.) Strength of materials.
 - (f.) Composition of explosives.
 - (g.) Timbering of shafts and drives.
 - (h.) Use of diamond drills, and the construction and use of other apparatus for putting down bore-holes.
 - (i.) If they have not passed examinations in all or any of the above subjects, what are their qualifications for their positions.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KERFERD : To move, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the law relating to public houses.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
2. DOG BILL (No. 2).—Third reading.
3. ATTORNEYS AND SOLICITORS REMUNERATION BILL.—Third reading.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. LOAN BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
8. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
10. BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
11. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report.—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
12. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
13. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
14. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
15. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, for the future, the Great Hall of Parliament should not be used for the purposes of banquets.
2. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. MR. PEARSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. MR. GARDINER : To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
12. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. MR. PEARSON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.

16. MR. BENT : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
- (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
17. MR. McCOLL : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. MR. SHACKELL : To move—
- (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named ; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
19. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. MR. COOPER : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. MR. BURROWES : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.

27. MR. DERHAM : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. MR. GARDINER : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
32. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
33. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.
34. MR. ZOX : To move, That *The Mining Accidents Fund Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Thursday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.
35. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
36. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the practice prevailing in England, allowing licensed publicans to sell during limited hours on Sunday, should be adopted in the colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
8. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
9. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word “now” be omitted, and that after the word “time” the words “this day six months” be added.
12. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
14. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
15. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
16. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
17. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
18. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
19. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
20. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
21. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
22. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
23. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
24. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be

omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
On every fat sheep	6d.

and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free."

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow 2s. 6d."

25. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. HUNT : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to remove the disability Members of Parliament labor under through being unable to accept commissions in the Militia.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. HUNT : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connexion with the case of the Police *v.* Tristan, in which defendant was fined for printing bills without inserting name and address of printer at foot.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

Upon the House going into Committee of Supply—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "*Nelson*" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.

Upon going into Committee of Supply or Ways and Means—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
2. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
3. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employés, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.

4. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
- (1.) Whether the establishment of a British Protectorate over a few unimportant islands and an undefined strip of the South Coast of New Guinea is the realization of what the Australian colonies have been contending for during the past twelve months.
 - (2.) If not, whether the matter is to be allowed to rest where it is, and the future welfare of these colonies to be subjected to the caprice or indifference of a British Minister whose acts show an utter want of sympathy with the just demands of his fellow subjects in this portion of the empire.
 - (3.) Whether, under these wholly unexpected circumstances, he considers this colony either honorably or morally bound to pay any portion of the expenses of an administration which seems to have been established in pure mockery of the claims of the colonies.
5. MR. A. HARRIS : To draw the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the increase of selection in the Noondara district; also, to the Mining Registrar's Report for the quarter ending September 30th, 1884, showing the satisfactory and encouraging state of the gold mines in and beyond Walhalla; and to ask if he will, in view of these facts, state the approximate date when the further survey will be made between Walhalla and the main Gippsland line; also, if he will lay before this House, when Parliament meets after the recess, a full report furnished by the officers of his department, pointing out the most suitable railway and route for the locality named, and such other information as will enable the Government, with the aid of Parliament, to take definite steps to provide for the test light line in question.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
 - (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
 - (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished." That the following words be added, viz. : "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the consideration of the report or third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker

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No. 69.

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. HUNT: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will take steps to remove the disability Members of Parliament labor under through being unable to accept commissions in the Militia.
2. MR. GAUNSON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will take steps to prevent the undue exposure of the private affairs of defendants in legal proceedings arising out of searches made in the public law offices, and the improper publication of the results of such searches.
3. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what position Mr. Gordon, C.E., now holds in relation to the Water Supply Department, or have his services been dispensed with.
4. MR. MASON: To ask the Honorable the Premier if his attention has been called to a letter which appeared in the *South Gippsland Express* on the 30th October, containing serious charges against a public officer in connection with applications for land at Jindivick; and whether he purposes having the grave allegations referred to inquired into.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. HUNT: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connexion with the case of the Police *v.* Tristan, in which defendant was fined for printing bills without inserting name and address of printer at foot.
2. MR. JAMES: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the case of the late Sergeant McParlan.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. TUCKER: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend and continue the laws relating to the suppression of rabbits.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions to be reported.
2. WAYS AND MEANS.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
4. LOAN BILL (No. 2).—Consideration of Report.
5. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
8. BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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10. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
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 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. MR. MIRAMS: To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed by ballot, for the purpose of enquiring into the position and working of the laws relating to the Banking and Currency, and for the purpose of examining into the working of the State Currency system of India and the Banking and Currency laws of other countries, with a view to determining and reporting upon what amendments of our system are requisite, how those amendments may best be effected, and upon the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of Issue; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

4. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is time that the Primary Schools of the country should be supplemented by the establishment of High Schools.
5. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived when it is an absolute necessity that the Melbourne Gaol should be removed to make way for the many contemplated improvements in and around the city.
6. **MR. GARDINER :** To move, That in the opinion of this House the Carlton Refuge be closed at once, and the building material used for the erection of another refuge on a more suitable and secluded site.
7. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
8. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
9. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
10. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.
11. **MR. D. M. DAVIES :** To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
2. **MR. A. HARRIS :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
13. **MR. LAURENS :** To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision h, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
14. **MR. PEARSON :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.
15. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
16. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
17. **MR. MCCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
18. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.

19. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
21. **MR. COOPER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
22. **MR. COOPER** : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a Board should be appointed to deal with the general question of prospecting.
 - (2.) That such Board consist of the Secretary for Mines, the Junior Audit Commissioner, with the Wardens for Ballarat, Sandhurst, and Gippsland.
 - (3.) That such Board shall have power to appoint a Secretary, and to meet at such times and places as they may appoint.
 - (4.) That the time, place, and manner in which all public money is to be spent in prospecting shall be determined by such Board.
 - (5.) That the said Board may lend money to Mining Companies doing *bonâ fide* prospecting work, on such terms and conditions as the said Board may approve ; but not more than one-half of the money available in any one year shall be lent to such companies ; the time and manner of repaying such loans shall be determined by the said Board.
 - (6.) That the said Board shall have power to prospect for coal, gold, or other minerals, either by boring or otherwise.
 - (7.) That when the prospecting operations of the said Board prove successful, they shall be entitled to mark out two claims of the usual size allowed for twenty men, on any lead, reef, or seam proved by them.
 - (8.) That when the said Board has proved the payable character of any claim held by them, they shall dispose of the same either by public auction or otherwise, as they may decide, and all money realised by such sale or sales shall be placed to the credit of the prospecting fund, so also shall all money received in repayment of loans.
 - (9.) That all rules and regulations made by the said Board must be approved by the Governor in Council, and shall be forthwith laid before Parliament.
 - (10.) That the Governor in Council may, from time to time, remove any member of the said Board, and may appoint such other person or persons as he may deem fit.
 - (11.) That this House will, on a future day, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place a sum of £50,000 on an Additional Estimate for prospecting purposes, in accordance with the above resolutions.
23. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
24. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
25. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
26. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.
27. **MR. DERHAM** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £3,000 for the purpose of establishing a college of agriculture.
28. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith ; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
29. **MR. MACKAY** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
30. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
31. **MR. GARDINER** : To move, That a Select Committee of nine members be appointed to inquire into and report as to the necessity of removing the Melbourne Gaol ; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

32. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
33. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay, to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.
34. MR. ZOZ : To move, That *The Mining Accidents Fund Bill*, ruled out of order by Mr. Speaker on Thursday last, on the ground that it was a Private Bill, be proceeded with as a Public Bill.
35. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
36. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the practice prevailing in England, allowing licensed publicans to sell during limited hours on Sunday, should be adopted in the colony of Victoria.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, and that he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, No. DCXIV., and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Consideration of Report.
8. PARLIAMENTARY PENALTIES BILL.—Second reading.
9. INEBRIATES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
11. UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND PARTY PROCESSIONS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—*The question is—* That this Bill be now read a second time—to which an amendment has been moved, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.
12. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. COLLEGE OF JUSTICE BILL.—Second reading.
14. COMPULSORY LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.—Second reading.
15. MINING BOARD ELECTIONS BILL.—Second reading.
16. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
17. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
18. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
19. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
20. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
21. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
22. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*"That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle."
23. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
24. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished. To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word "stock," be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

On every store cow	...	...	...	...	...	2s. 6d.
On every store bullock	...	...	...	...	...	4s. 0d.
On every fat cow	...	...	...	...	...	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	...	...	...	...	...	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	...	...	...	...	...	4d.
On every fat sheep	...	...	...	...	...	6d.

 and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free." To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

"On every store cow	2s. 6d."
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25. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS' HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employés of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employés in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of "*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*"

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
2. MR. SHACKELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.

(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILL :—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—*Upon the House going into Committee of Ways and Means—*

1. MR. GRANT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the losses sustained by the miners of Victoria by reason of their deposits of gold in the Oriental Bank should be made good by the State.
2. LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH : To call attention to the statements made by the Honorable the Chief Secretary at Daylesford and Ballarat.
3. MR. COPPIN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the "Nelson" ought to be converted into a training ship without delay, for the reform of criminal boys.
4. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid before this House a return of all moneys expended by the Melbourne Harbor Trust out of the colony for plant, machinery, and material, since their establishment.
5. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he is in a position to inform the House when the outlets for the flood-waters of the Yarra will be completely closed, so that the greatest possible destruction of property may be achieved by the works now finished and in progress.
6. MR. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, certain practices that now obtain in dealing with selection should be modified.
7. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he considers that it is conducting the Railways on commercial principles by allowing a monopoly of supplying sand ballast, at Port Melbourne, to one individual, when the department could readily obtain 50 per cent. more by calling for tenders in the usual manner.
8. MR. ZOX : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the state of the law in Victoria relating to the importation of blasphemous literature, with a view of bringing the same into accord with the law of England.
9. DR. QUICK : To draw attention to the fact that locomotive drivers and firemen, and other railway employes, are frequently compelled to work upwards of seventeen hours per day without recess.
10. MR. A. HARRIS : To draw the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the increase of selection in the Noondara district; also, to the Mining Registrar's Report for the quarter ending September 30th, 1884, showing the satisfactory and encouraging state of the gold mines in and beyond Walhalla; and to ask if he will, in view of these facts, state the approximate date when the further survey will be made between Walhalla and the main Gippsland line; also, if he will lay before this House, when Parliament meets after the recess, a full report furnished by the officers of his department, pointing out the most suitable railway and route for the locality named, and such other information as will enable the Government, with the aid of Parliament, to take definite steps to provide for the test light line in question.

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
 - (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
 - (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
 - (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.

- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER : To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re* Stock Tax—To omit all the words after the word “That,” with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered.”
3. MR. WRIXON : To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz. :—“That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished,” That the following words be added, viz. : “and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.”

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the consideration of the report or third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX : To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill :—

It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker

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No. 70.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will consent to the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the working of our jury system generally.
2. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government will take into favourable consideration the propriety of calling for fresh tenders for the supply of iron pipes, to be manufactured in the colony, for the whole or part of the quantity required.
3. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether he will cause a report to be furnished to Parliament setting forth—
 - (1.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in New South Wales.
 - (2.) The approximate extent of the watershed of the Murray at its source in Victoria.
 - (3.) The names and approximate volume of the various tributaries (rivers and creeks) which flow into the River Murray between the head of the Murray River and Swan Hill, distinguishing those which take their rise in Victoria from those in New South Wales.
4. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if the large country maps or plans now being prepared by his department, and which more clearly show or define the boundaries of the various lands dealt with by the Land Bill, will be laid on the Table of this House before the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill are dealt with.
5. **MR. SHACKELL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) Whether he will lay before the House the whole of the papers in connexion with the appointment of "Inspectors of Stock" and "Inspectors of Sheep" from and including the appointments made in the years 1872 and 1873.
 - (2.) Whether (on the resignation of James Riley from the position of Inspector of Sheep under the Scab Act for the Geelong West district) the Chief Inspector of Stock (Mr. E. M. Curr) did not recommend William Kyle, of the Moama and Echuca district, as the officer who was entitled to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the said James Riley.
 - (3.) Whether it is not a fact that in the appointments of Inspectors of Sheep and Inspectors of Stock, made and gazetted in the year 1872-3, neither the name of Forrester or Pentland appears in the list of such appointments.
6. **LIEUT.-COL. W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he is aware that the Defence Department has recently doubled the charge for ammunition to the Ballarat Rifle Club; and how many other rifle clubs are charged the increased price.
7. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what position Mr. Gordon, C.E., now holds in relation to the Water Supply Department, or have his services been dispensed with.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. JAMES** : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the case of the late Sergeant McParlan.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—Resolution to be reported.
2. **WATERWORKS ACT 1880 AMENDMENT BILL**.—Third reading.
3. **LOAN BILL (No. 2)**.—Third reading.
4. **CROWN LANDS BILL**.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
5. **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SALARIES AND EXPENSES**.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
6. **EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUATION**.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—To be considered in Committee.
7. **RABBIT SUPPRESSION LAWS AMENDMENT AND CONTINUATION BILL**.—Second reading.
8. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**.—Consideration of Report.
9. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. **WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
11. **BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.
12. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
13. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
14. **TRAMWAYS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
15. **VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

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(After nine o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS :—

1. SUBSTANTIVE GENERAL LAW BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Second reading.
3. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. STOCK BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.—Second reading.
5. VACCINATION LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. EARLY CLOSING IN BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS BILL.—Second reading.
8. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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14. COUNCILS OF CONCILIATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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21. PRINTERS AND NEWSPAPERS REGISTRATION STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Second reading.
22. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. EARLY CLOSING ON LOCAL OPTION PRINCIPLE BILL.—Motion for leave to introduce.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*“That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the early closing of shops in cities, towns, and boroughs on the local option principle.”
2. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
3. STOCK TAX.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate.—*The question is—*That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished.
To which the following amendment has been moved :—That all the words after the word “stock,” be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the words—“should be readjusted, and that in future the amount shall be—

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On every fat cow	5s. 0d.
On every fat bullock	8s. 0d.
On every store sheep	4d.
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and that calves under nine months and lambs under four months be admitted free.”

To which amendment the following *further* amendment has been moved :—That the following words be omitted from the said amendment :—

“On every store cow 2s. 6d.”

4. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES’ HOLIDAYS.—Motion respecting.—Resumption of debate—*The question is—*That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the employes of the Railway department should be placed in the same position as all the other employes in the public service in the matter of holidays as provided for in section 88 of “*The Public Service Act, No. 773.*”

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1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That there be appointed a Standing Committee on Public Accounts, whose functions shall be similar to those of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts in the House of Commons.
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3. MR. GRANT : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the laws under which Foreign Banks are established and carry on business in Victoria, and as to what amendments are requisite for the further protection of the public dealing with such Banks, and to inquire and report as to title of laws relating to Banks, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Service, Mr. Kerferd, Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Nimmo, Mr. Mackay, and Mr. Bent.

4. MR. D. M. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connection with the case of Miss Maloney, who met with an accident in the railway collision at Clunes.
5. MR. A. HARRIS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the prospecting vote for the financial year 1884-5 should not be less than £20,000.
6. MR. LAURENS : To move, That this House suggests for the consideration of the Imperial Government that the Bill for constituting the Federal Council should provide that no other matter than matter of the class specifically mentioned in clause 15, subdivision *h*, shall be referred to the Federal Council.
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11. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
12. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That the Chairman of Committees, in refusing to receive an abstract resolution expressing an opinion that a vote of Supply should be increased, acted contrary to the practice of this House, while in Committee, ever since the inauguration of the new Constitution up to the present date.
13. MR. COOPER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
14. MR. HALL : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
15. MR. BOWMAN : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of customs and excise duty paid on spirits weekly, for the eight weeks previous to the 17th July, by each person or firm who paid customs and excise duty on spirits on the 16th and 17th July.
16. MR. GARDINER : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government shall resume control over all roads or ways used, or which have been used by the public, leading to or from the General Cemetery, and shall remove any obstruction which has been erected to prevent such roads or ways being used by the public for their convenience.
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22. MR. BENT : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Moore, Mr. Mason, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. McLellan, Mr. A. T. Clark, and the Mover, be appointed to consider and report on the claim of Captain Kenny, in respect to damage done by the Government punts to his baths, at Sandridge, with power to call for persons and papers.
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Private Bill Business.

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1. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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- (2.) That, not later than four clear sitting days after the next meeting of Parliament, the Bill shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, with a declaration, signed by the agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill with respect to which proceedings had been so suspended at the last stage of the proceedings in this House in the present Session.
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- Contingent on the above motion being carried—*
2. MR. BENT : To move, that the foregoing resolutions be adopted as a Standing Order of this House.

THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCINTYRE : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he purposes making provision to reimburse Messrs. Oswald and Hornsby the costs they were put to in the case of A. E. Rice in the discharge of their duties as Justices of the Peace at Maldon.

General Business.

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TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. MCLEAN : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will consider the desirability of making some provision for the widow and family of the late Mr. Wheeler, Police Magistrate, who recently died on top of the Turnback mountain, in the execution of his public duties.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC HOUSES IN MELBOURNE UNDER BILL OF SALE OR MORTGAGE.—Motion for Return.—Resumption of Debate.—*The question is*—That there be laid before this House a return showing the names of all public houses in the city of Melbourne, together with the names of their owners and lessees, and of all persons holding a bill of sale or a mortgage in connexion with them.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—
- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.

- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.
2. MR. GARDINER: To move, *as an amendment* upon the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara *re Stock Tax*—To omit all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert instead thereof the words—"it is inexpedient to discuss the Tariff Report piecemeal, and therefore this House refuses to consider the proposal to abolish the stock tax unless the accompanying proposals for the relief of the farmers generally, contained in such Report, are also considered."
3. MR. WRIXON: To move, *as an amendment*, upon the following motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the tax upon live stock is impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished." That the following words be added, viz.: "and that the tax upon portable engines, threshing machines, steam ploughs, and tackle for the same, traction engines, corn screens, and combination harvesters, is also impolitic and injurious, and ought to be abolished."

Contingent on the motion of the Honorable Member for Boroondara re the Stock Tax being carried—

1. MR. BAKER: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the tax on corn sacks be abolished also.

On the third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

1. MR. ZOX: To move, That the following new clause be added to the Bill:—
It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **APPROPRIATION BILL**.—Second reading.
2. **RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTION BILL**.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
3. **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SALARIES AND EXPENSES**.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—Resolution to be reported.
4. **EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUATION**.—Message from His Excellency the Governor.—Resolution to be reported.
5. **RABBIT SUPPRESSION LAWS AMENDMENT AND CONTINUATION BILL**.—Second reading.
6. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**.—Consideration of Report.
7. **TRAINWAYS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
10. **BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.
11. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE**.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—“That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report.”
12. **MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS**.—To be considered in Committee.
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General Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

On an early day—

1. MR. WOODS : To move—

- (1.) That the experience of the past few years has demonstrated the fact that the secular system of education as at present in force in our State schools, though admirable as far as it goes, is nevertheless imperfect and incomplete, inasmuch as it does not provide for the daily instillation into the minds of the scholars of a feeling of reverence for truth, honour, and justice, and a horror of the opposite vices, and the habitual realization of the individual and inalienable responsibility which constitutes a portion of every human act.
- (2.) That it is advisable under these circumstances, and in order to improve the secular system of teaching, to have class books compiled, in the first instance, from the authorized version of the Bible, consisting of selected passages calculated and intended to impress the minds of the readers with this higher and essential system of moral culture; and, if afterwards deemed desirable, to extend the series to writings of eminent men, no matter of what country, creed, or period.
- (3.) That the class-book or books so compiled should be classified into cognate subjects arranged for the different classes printed in proof form, and submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and if approved of, or if any modification of the selection so arranged should be approved of, then in that form to be added to the daily educational course, and administered or taught in the usual way by the ordinary and regular State school teachers.
- (4.) That for the performance of this duty a Select Committee of this House be appointed consisting of Mr. Mirams, Mr. Pearson, Mr. James, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harper, Mr. Zox, Mr. Coppin, and the Mover, five to form a quorum.
- (5.) That a Secretary be appointed to the Committee who shall be a scholar well versed in ancient Oriental languages, including Pali and Sanscrit, if possible.

On the third reading of the Employers' Liability Bill—

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A. It shall be the duty of every person in charge of any steam engine, boiler, or ^{person in charge of machinery, &c., to report} machinery used in or in connection with any factory or workroom to report to the occupier thereof any defects in such steam engine, boiler, or machinery, from time to time as the same occur ; and any such person wilfully or negligently omitting to report the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any period not exceeding two years.

B. The Governor in Council may appoint, from time to time, a sufficient number of persons who shall be examiners of machinery, whose duty shall be to examine as to the safety of all machinery in use in any part of the colony of Victoria, mining machinery excepted, and who shall report to the Government once in every six months as to state of any machinery in the colony.

GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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Waterworks Act 1880 Amendment Bill.—[54] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Victorian Debentures Redemption and Loan Bill.—[76] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Volunteer Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[80] As reported 3rd December. (To Members of Council only.)

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Statistical Register 1883—Part VI.—Production. No. 77a.

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Victorian Naval Forces.—Dress Regulations. No. 83.

The Observatory.—Nineteenth Report of the Board of Visitors ; together with the Annual Report of the Government Astronomer. No. 86.

Lunatic Asylums—Return of the Inspector of. No. 92.

Legislative Council Salaries and Expenses Bill.—Message. B.—No. 20.

Expiring Laws Continuation Bill.—Message. B.—No. 21.

Public Departments—Persons employed in and promoted since 8th March, 1883.—Return. C.—No. 5.

Mining Accidents Relief Fund Bill.—[1] As reported 3rd December. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Railways Construction Bill.—[66] Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Water Conservation Acts Amendment Bill.—[71] (To Members of Assembly only.)

County Court Judges Tenure Bill.—[78] As reported 3rd December. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Rabbit Suppression Acts Amendment Bill.—[83] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Appropriation of Revenue 1884-5.—[85]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 72.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. McLEAN: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General if he will consider the desirability of making some provision for the widow and family of the late Mr. Wheeler, Police Magistrate, who recently died on top of the Turnback mountain, in the execution of his public duties.
2. MR. NIMMO: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General—
 - (1.) On what date the district of Wood Wood, in the shire of Swan Hill, was proclaimed a special area in which a publican's license might be issued.
 - (2.) On what date a special £10 license was granted, in the aforesaid district, to Henry Heywood.
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5. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what position Mr. Gordon, C.E., now holds in relation to the Water Supply Department, or have his services been dispensed with.
6. MR. COPPIN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will again instruct the police to remove immoral females from Great Lonsdale-street east, and close up all the brothels that have been permitted to reestablish themselves in that leading and important thoroughfare of the city; and if he will, during the recess, take into consideration some practical way of controlling the social evil for the purpose of introducing a Bill upon the question during the next session of Parliament.
7. MR. GRAHAM: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if, in view of the new Land Bill becoming law, he will cause copies of the Act, together with the county maps showing the lands available for selection, to be deposited at the various shire halls throughout the colony, so as to give every facility to the public in obtaining information.
8. MR. PEARSON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether he is aware that for the last three months the warders at Pentridge have worked 9½ hours a day on an average, Sundays included.
 - (2.) Whether he is aware that guards are kept on the works on Saturdays till 6 p.m., though there are no prisoners to watch.
 - (3.) Whether he will give orders for the relief of the warders so far as is possible.
9. MR. LANGDON: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether it is the intention of the Railway Commissioners to more closely assimilate the passenger tariff on all our State railways.
10. MR. GRAVES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is the fact that the has ordered that all fines and forfeitures, and every portion thereof inflicted under the *Customs Act* 1883, shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue, and that no portion thereof shall be paid to the seizing officers; and, if so, has the order been given effect to.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DEAKIN: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to set apart a site for a morgue in the city of Melbourne.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Third reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL.—Third reading.
3. RABBIT SUPPRESSION LAWS AMENDMENT AND CONTINUATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUATION BILL.—Second reading.
5. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SALARIES AND EXPENSES BILL.—Second reading.
6. TRAMWAYS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
9. BANKING COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—First Report of—To be taken into consideration.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—"That the House agree with the Committee in the said Report."
11. MERCHANT SHIPPING AND SEAMEN LAWS.—To be considered in Committee.
12. VICTORIAN WATER CONSERVATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
13. VOLUNTEER STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. ZOx :** To move, That this House agree with the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches Bill.
2. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Royal Commission or Select Committee should be appointed to enquire—
 - (1.) As to the working and administration of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Trust Acts.
 - (2.) As to their adaptability to supply the residents of the Northern arid plains with water.
 - (3.) To enquire into and report as to the best method to secure for Victoria a perfect scheme of irrigation, and to enquire generally into the sources of our water supply, its conservation and reticulation, for pastoral, agricultural, manufacturing, sanitary, and commercial or traffic purposes.
3. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
4. **MR. BENT :** To move, That all the Standing Orders relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to amend the Rosstown Junction Railway Act, No. DCXIV., and for other purposes.
5. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
6. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, Mrs. Gordon's application for a lease on the South Yarra should be considered by a Select Committee of this House to report upon the equity of the case, and whether relief should not be granted her.
7. **MR. BENT :** To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of hours the following employés of the Railway Department are engaged daily, viz. :—
 - (1.) Station masters.
 - (2.) Engine drivers and stokers.
 - (3.) Guards.
8. **MR. McCOLL :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consist of _____, and the Mover, to investigate the matters in the petition lately presented to this Honorable House by George Urquhart, of South Yarra; such Committee to have power to move from place to place, to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
9. **MR. SHACKELL :** To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
10. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Government should bring in an amendment of the law for punishment of seducers.
11. **MR. COOPER :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, State school teachers should, on Sundays be allowed, in all matters of religion, the same freedom as other persons.
12. **MR. HALL :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
13. **MR. BURROWEs :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £350 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a further gratuity to J. E. Lupton, late sheriff's clerk and bailiff at Sandhurst.

14. MR. LAURENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass-fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
15. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
16. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
17. MR. MCCOLL : To move, That Captain Fullarton, Commander Mandeville, or some other well tried and trusted Victorian naval officer be at once deputed to take ship without delay to hoist the Victorian ensign on the north-eastern unprotected portion of New Guinea, and to take formal possession at once for this Colony of Victoria.
18. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.
19. MR. GAUNSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the practice prevailing in England, allowing licensed publicans to sell during limited hours on Sunday, should be adopted in the colony of Victoria.
20. MR. BENT : To move, That the promoter of a Bill intituled "*The Rosstown Junction Sea Beach and Melbourne Extension Railway Bill*," which was brought into this House during this Session, have leave to suspend any further proceedings thereupon and to proceed with the same Bill in the next ensuing Session of Parliament.
- (2.) That, not later than four clear sitting days after the next meeting of Parliament, the Bill shall be deposited with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, with a declaration, signed by the agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill with respect to which proceedings had been so suspended at the last stage of the proceedings in this House in the present Session.
- (3.) That the Bill, endorsed by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as having been duly deposited with him, shall be laid by him forthwith on the Table of the House in the next ensuing Session of Parliament.
- (4.) That the Bill so laid on the Table, and the order of leave to bring in the same in the Session 1884, shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time.

Contingent on the above motion being carried—

21. MR. BENT : To move, that the foregoing resolutions be adopted as a Standing Order of this House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council.—To be taken into consideration.
3. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Consideration of Report.
4. COUNTY COURT JUDGES TENURE BILL.—Consideration of Report.
5. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE APPOINTMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY BILL.—Third reading.
8. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
10. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
11. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
12. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
13. EXCLUSION OF STRANGERS.—Resumption of debate—*The question is*—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Order in accordance with the present practice of the House of Commons, be framed by the Standing Orders Committee with reference to the practice of excluding strangers during the sitting of the House.
14. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION SEA BEACH AND MELBOURNE RAILWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council No. 49.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[50]

Crown Lands Bill 1884.—[3] Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Council only.)

Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches and Amendment Bill.—[37] (To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Act further Amendment Bill.—[47] As reported 4th December. (To Members of Council only.)

Railways Construction Bill.—[66] As reported 3rd December. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly No. 69.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[72]

Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Additional Branches and Amendment Bill.—[37] Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Legislative Council Salaries and Expenses Bill.—[49] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Expiring Laws Continuation Bill.—[75] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Volunteer Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[80] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Rabbit Suppression Laws Amendment and Continuation Bill.—[83] New clause to be proposed by Mr. Walter Madden. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 73.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1884.

Questions.

1. MR. McLELLAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if it is his intention to exclude truant officers from the benefits to be derived from the Civil Service Act.
2. MR. MIRAMS: To ask the Honorable the Premier, seeing that he has for this Session abandoned his Banking Law Amendment Bill, and that the motion for the appointment of a Select Committee upon the question has had no opportunity afforded it of being discussed, whether he will appoint a Royal Commission during the recess to enquire into and report upon the whole questions of banking and the currency, and the advisability or otherwise of establishing a National Bank of issue.
3. MR. GARDINER: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Is it true that Inspector Pewtress has called for a return of the number of cases each constable stationed at Carlton has been connected with from the 1st January, 1884, to the 1st December, 1884.
 - (2.) Is it true that constables who have been careful in the performance of their duties, and have no charges recorded against them, are to be removed from Carlton station for the reason that Inspector Pewtress considers they have not had a sufficient number of cases before the court from January, 1884, to December, 1884.
 - (3.) Will it be considered a rule sanctioned by the Chief Secretary that the promotion or removal of a constable will depend on the number of arrests and cases he brings in the local court.
 - (4.) Does the Chief Secretary consider that such proceedings will tend to the efficiency of the force and public safety.
4. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General when he will appoint a successor to the late esteemed W. E. Wheeler, Esq., P.M., and whether there is any truth in the rumour that Mr. Howitt, P.M., is again to undertake the task of presiding over the whole of the vast Gippsland district; also, if the Government do not intend to appoint a successor to Mr. Wheeler at present, will Mr. Howitt be required to undertake any other duties than those he filled at the time of Mr. Wheeler's death.
5. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether inventions and new designs, placed on view and for experimental purposes in the Melbourne Exhibition, are secure from piracy for any given length of time; and, if so, for what length of time.
6. MR. A. HARRIS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to state the approximate date when the further survey will be made between Walhalla and the main Gippsland line; also, if he will lay before this House, when Parliament meets after the recess, a full report furnished by the officers of his Department, pointing out the most suitable railway and route for the locality named, and such other information as will enable the Government, with the aid of Parliament, to take definite steps to provide for the test light line to the district in question, and any others.

(Until nine o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to apply out of the "*Victorian Railway Loan and Debentures Redemption Act 1883*" certain sums of money for preliminary surveys of railways and tramways.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WORKROOMS AND FACTORIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate.
3. VOLUNTEER STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
4. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1876 No. 531.—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE.—To be considered in Committee.

(After nine o'clock.)

Private Bill Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ADDITIONAL BRANCHES BILL.—Amendments of the Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY RELATING TO BILLS:—

1. MINING ACCIDENTS FUND BILL.—Consideration of Report.—Resumption of debate.
2. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT REPEAL BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. GAME ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. BOILERS LAW.—Consideration of Report.
5. MASTERS AND SERVANTS STATUTE REPEAL BILL.—Second reading.
6. COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE BILL (No. 2).—To be further considered in Committee.
7. POUNDS ACT 1874 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WALKER** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, no railway servant shall be employed at the ordinary work in connection with the running of trains for a longer consecutive period than six days without an interval of rest of at least 24 hours.
2. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon the Additional Estimates, for the purpose of making a contour line flying survey of the colony of Victoria, at the level of 400 feet above the level of the sea in Hobson's Bay, by contract with two survey parties. The contractors to be authorized surveyors, and to be responsible for the execution of the contract as to its correctness. That the profile of all creeks and rivers intersected by such contour line to be carefully plotted, and returns thereof made, together with the other work done every week, to the Minister of Water Supply; such survey to start from a point somewhere near Broadmeadows Station, on the North-Eastern line, starting east and west from that point.
3. **MR. MCCOLL** : To move, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with and relating to the issue of a Crown title under the Lands Transfer Statute to the assign of the Bank of Australasia, Matthew McDonald, over allotments 17 and 31, section 6, parish of Guildford, county of Talbot, by which the owners have been dispossessed of their estate, which they have never sold, alienated, or conveyed, and for which they have received no consideration of any kind. Also, to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the prosecution and imprisonment as a lunatic of one of the trustees of the aforesaid estate, Mr. George Bishop; the said Committee to consist of Mr. Reid, Mr. M. H. Davies, Mr. Hall, Mr. Billson, Mr. Mirams, Mr. Russell, and the mover, three to form a quorum, with power to send for persons, papers, records, and documents, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
4. **MR. SHACKELL** : To move—
 - (1.) That this House, in view of the great falling-off in Victorian commerce (both imports and exports), by way of Murray river ports, deems it highly desirable and expedient, in the interest of the trade and commerce of Victoria generally, that immediate steps be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in the report of a Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council on the 28th May, 1866.
 - (2.) That with the view of giving effect to such recommendations, more particularly with regard to rendering the Murray river permanently navigable, and for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the necessary works in connection therewith, this House deems it desirable that the colonies of New South Wales and South Australia be invited to unite with Victoria in forming a Federal River Trust, such Trust to have full control over the River Murray and its tributaries.
 - (3.) That a Select Committee, consisting of _____, be appointed to confer with the Government in formulating a scheme to be submitted to the Governments of the other colonies named; and to have power to call for persons and papers.
5. **MR. HALL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, any amendment of the Electoral Act should be based on the principle of single constituencies.
6. **MR. LAURENS** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the present law on closed roads is neither complete nor satisfactory, and, therefore, should be altered so as to provide that all closed roads, capable of being used with safety and required for public use, shall be opened forthwith; and also to further provide that in cases where roads are either impracticable or not wanted for public use the persons keeping such roads closed shall pay a yearly grass fee or license for the use of the grass growing thereon.
7. **MR. MACKAY** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will place on the Additional Estimates the sum of £2,619, balance unpaid of the sum of £5,000, the portion to have been paid by Victoria, to Mr. Edward Hammond Hargreaves, of the reward for the practical discovery of gold in Australia.
8. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £300 be placed on the Additional Estimates as a gratuity to Captain David Kerr for his exertions in preventing the introduction of small-pox into the colony in the year 1853.
9. **MR. GAUNSON** : To move, That the Report dated 11th October, 1876, of a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the case of Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, be adopted by this House.

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GEO. H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

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