

Votes

New South Wales

No. 1

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF THE FORTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

TUESDAY, 25 MAY, 1976

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION.—The House met at Twelve o'clock at noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-first day of May, 1976, of which a copy was read by Mr R. E. A. Ward, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:

PROCLAMATION.

<p>"NEW SOUTH WALES "TO WIT. "A. R. CUTLER, "Governor.</p>	}	<p>By His Excellency Sir ARTHUR RODEN CUTLER, upon whom has been conferred the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Knight of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.</p>
--	---	---

"IN pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of New South Wales by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being 'an Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution', I do hereby proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the State of New South Wales for the despatch of business shall commence and be holden on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of May, 1976, at 12 o'clock noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, in Macquarie Street, in the City of Sydney; and Members of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

"GIVEN under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this twenty-first day of May (L.S.) in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six and in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"NEVILLE WRAN.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!"

25 May, 1976

2. WRITS OF ELECTION.—The Clerk announced that he had received through the Honourable the Minister of Justice and Minister for Services, a list, without omission, certified by His Excellency the Governor, of the names of the several persons returned for the Electoral Districts set against such names, respectively, at the General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, which was held on the 1st day of May, 1976, and further certifying that the several Writs of Election, being ninety-nine in number, were duly returned before the day on which they were legally returnable; and placed the list upon the Table of the House.

Names of Members Returned	Electoral Districts for which Returned
Akister, John Edward	Monaro
Arblaster, David Amos	Mosman
Bannon, Brian Joseph	Rockdale
Barnier, Gordon Arthur	Blacktown
Barraclough, Lindley John Forbes	Bligh
Bedford, Eric Lance	Fairfield
Booth, Kenneth George	Wallsend
Boyd, John Charles	Byron
Brereton, Laurence John	Heffron
Brewer, Ronald Alfred St Clair	Goulburn
Brown, James Hill	Raleigh
Bruxner, James Caird	Tenterfield
Cahill, Thomas James	Marrickville
Cameron, James Alexander	Northcott
Cleary, Michael Arthur	Coogee
Clough, James Arthur	Eastwood
Clough, Ralph James	Blue Mountains
Coleman, William Peter	Fuller
Cowan, David Bruce	Oxley
Cox, Peter Francis	Auburn
Crabtree, William Frederick	Kogarah
Darby, Evelyn Douglas	Manly
Day, Donald	Casino
Degen, Roger Charles	Balmain
Dowd, John Robert Arthur	Lane Cove
Doyle, Keith Ralph	Vaucluse
Duncan, Robert Bruce	Lismore
Durick, Vincent Patrick	Lakemba
Einfeld, Sydney David	Waverley
Face, Jack Richard	Charlestown
Ferguson, Laurie John	Merrylands
Fischer, Timothy Andrew	Sturt
Fisher, Colin Murray	Upper Hunter
Flaherty, James Patrick	Granville
Freudenstein, George Francis	Young
Gordon, Alan Robert Lindsay	Murrumbidgee
Griffith, Ian Ross	Cronulla
Haigh, William Henry	Maroubra
Hatton, John Edward	South Coast
Healey, Richard Owen	Davidson
Hills, Patrick Darcy	Phillip
Hunter, Mervyn Leslie	Lake Macquarie
Jackett, John Gordon Thorne	Burwood
Jackson, Rex Frederick	Heathcote
Jensen, Henry Frederick	Munmorah
Johnson, Anthony Valentine Patrick	Mt Druitt
Johnstone, Lewis Albert	Broken Hill
Jones, Samuel Barry	Waratah
Keane, Maurice Francis	Woronora
Kearns, Nicholas Joseph	Bankstown
Kelly, Lawrence Borthwick	Corrimal
Leitch, David Stanley	Armidale
Lewis, Thomas Lancelot	Wollondilly
McDonald, Bruce John	Kirribilli
McGinty, Laurence Frederick	Willoughby
McGowan, Brian Hamilton	Gosford
Mackie, Gordon Charlton	Albury
Maddison, John Clarkson	Ku-ring-gai

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
25 May, 1976

Names of Members Returned	Electoral Districts for which Returned
Maher, Michael John	Drummoyne
Mallam, Heathcote Clifford	Campbelltown
Mason, John Marsden	Dubbo
Meillon, Mary	Murray
Moore, Timothy John	Gordon
Morris, Milton Arthur	Maitland
Mulock, Ronald Joseph	Penrith
Murray, Wallace Telford John	Barwon
Mutton, Lerryn William	Yaralla
Neilly, George Henry	Cessnock
O'Connell, Keith	Peats
Osborne, Clive Geoffrey	Bathurst
Paciullo, George	Liverpool
Park, Ernest Noel	Tamworth
Petersen, Wilfred George	Illawarra
Pickard, Neil Edward William	Hornsby
Punch, Leon Ashton	Gloucester
Quinn, Ernest Neville	Wentworthville
Ramsay, Eric Daniel	Wollongong
Renshaw, John Brophy	Castlereagh
Rofe, Ronald Ernest Arthur	Nepean
Rogan, Patrick Allan	East Hills
Rozzoli, Kevin Richard	Hawkesbury
Ruddock, Maxwell Stanley	The Hills
Ryan, Kevin James	Hurstville
Schipp, Joseph John	Wagga Wagga
Sheahan, Terence William	Burrinjuck
Singleton, Matthew	Clarence
Stewart, Kevin James	Canterbury
Taylor, James Hugh	Temora
Viney, Arthur Edward Allanby	Wakehurst
Wade, William Arthur	Newcastle
Walker, Francis John	Georges River
Walker, Noel Douglas	Miranda
Webster, Bruce Laurence	Pittwater
West, Garry Bruce	Orange
Whelan, Paul Francis Patrick	Ashfield
Wilde, Barry Charles	Parramatta
Willis, Eric Archibald	Earlwood
Wotton, Roger Corfield Anson	Burrendong
Wran, Neville Kenneth	Bass Hill

3. MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS.—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted, delivered a Message that “The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission for the Opening of Parliament read.”

The House went, and the Members of both Houses being seated at the request of the President, on behalf of the Commissioners—

The President said—

“Honourable Members of the Legislative Council and Members of the Legislative Assembly—

“His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to cause a Commission “to be issued under the Public Seal of the State constituting us Commissioners “to do on behalf of Her Majesty all things necessary to be done in the name “of Her Majesty, or in the name of His Excellency the Governor of the State, “in and about the opening and holding of this Parliament, to deliver a Message “to the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly and to do all such “other things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament to perform “acts which admit of no delay, as will more fully appear by the Commission “itself which must now be read.”

Whereupon the Commission was read by the Clerk of the Parliaments, as follows:

“Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her “other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth.

25 May, 1976

"To all to whom these presents shall come,

"*Greeting:*

"WHEREAS by Proclamation made on the twenty-first day of May, 1976, His Excellency Sir ARTHUR RODEN CUTLER, upon whom has been conferred the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Knight of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem, Our Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, did, in pursuance of the power and authority vested in him as Governor of Our said State by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh being 'an Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution,' proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the said State should commence and be holden on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of May, 1976, at the time and place mentioned in the said Proclamation: AND WHEREAS, for certain causes, Our said Governor cannot conveniently be present in person at the opening of the said Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Our said State: Now KNOW YE, that We, trusting in the discretion, fidelity and care of Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Sir HARRY VINCENT BUDD, President of the said Legislative Council, the Honourable DAVID PAUL LANDA, LL.B., Minister for Industrial Relations and Vice-President of the Executive Council and the Honourable THOMAS SIDNEY MCKAY, B.A., LL.B., Chairman of Committees, Members of the Legislative Council, do with the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said State, give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto the said Sir HARRY VINCENT BUDD, DAVID PAUL LANDA and THOMAS SIDNEY MCKAY, or any two of them, full power in Our name to open and hold the said Session of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly on the said twenty-fifth day of May, 1976, or subsequent day, or in the name of Our Governor of Our said State in and about the opening and holding of the said Parliament, to deliver messages to the Legislative Council and to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all such things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament or the said Legislative Council or the said Legislative Assembly to perform acts which admit of no delay: Commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it concerns to meet in the said Parliament, that to the said Sir HARRY VINCENT BUDD, DAVID PAUL LANDA and THOMAS SIDNEY MCKAY, or any two of them, they diligently attend in the premises in the form aforesaid.

"In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir ARTHUR RODEN CUTLER, upon whom has been conferred the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Knight of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem, Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in Our said State, this twenty-fifth day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six and in the twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

"A. R. CUTLER,
"Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"NEVILLE WRAN."

The President then said—

"Honourable Members of the Legislative Council and Members of the Legislative Assembly—

"We have it in command from His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that His Excellency desires that you take into your earnest consideration such matters as may be submitted to you.

"Members of the Legislative Assembly—

"It being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be first chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you, Members of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker."

And being returned—

25 May, 1976

4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE.—The Clerk informed the House that he had received, through the office of the Premier, a Commission, as follows:

*"By His Excellency Sir Arthur Roden Cutler, upon whom has been conferred
"the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Commander of the Most
"Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Com-
"mander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent
"Order of the British Empire, Knight of the Most Venerable Order of
"St John of Jerusalem, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its
"Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.*

"To all to whom these presents shall come,

"Greeting:

"In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir ARTHUR
"RODEN CUTLER, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, do, with the
"advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorise the Honourable
"NEVILLE KENNETH WRAN, Q.C., M.L.A., Premier, the Honourable LAURIE
"JOHN FERGUSON, M.L.A., Deputy Premier, Minister for Public Works, Minister
"for Ports and Minister for Housing and the Honourable JOHN BROPHY
"RENSHAW, M.L.A., Treasurer, or any one or more of them, to administer to all
"or any Members or Member of the Legislative Assembly of the said State
"the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen, required by
"law to be taken or made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall
"be permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

"Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the State, at Sydney, in
"the State of New South Wales aforesaid, this Twenty-fifth day of May in the
"year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six and in the twenty-
"fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

"A. R. CUTLER,

"Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,

"NEVILLE WRAN."

5. MEMBERS SWORN.—The Honourable Neville Kenneth Wran, Q.C., took and subscribed the affirmation of allegiance himself, and administered the oath of allegiance to the two other Commissioners, the Honourable Laurie John Ferguson and the Honourable John Brophy Renshaw and then administered the oath or affirmation to all other Members present—the Clerk producing the several Writs returning them, and the Members signing the Roll as they were severally called to the Table, viz.:

Gordon Charlton Mackie.
David Stanley Leitch, M.B., B.S.
Paul Francis Patrick Whelan, LL.B.
The Honourable Peter Francis Cox.
Roger Charles Degen.
Nicholas Joseph Kearns.
Wallace Telford John Murray.
Clive Geoffrey Osborne.
Gordon Arthur Barnier.
Lindley John Forbes Barraclough.
Ralph James Clough.
Lewis Albert Johnstone.
Roger Corfield Anson Wotton.
Terence William Sheahan, B.A., LL.B.
John Gordon Thorne Jackett.
John Charles Boyd.
Heathcote Clifford Mallam.
The Honourable Kevin James Stewart.
The Honourable Donald Day.
George Henry Neilly.
Jack Richard Face.
Matthew Singleton.
Michael Arthur Cleary.
Lawrence Borthwick Kelly.
Ian Ross Griffith.

Richard Owen Healey.
Michael John Maher, M.A., LL.B.
John Marsden Mason, L.Th.
Sir Eric Archibald Willis, K.B.E.,
C.M.G.
Patrick Allan Rogan.
James Arthur Clough.
The Honourable Eric Lance Bedford,
B.A.
William Peter Coleman, B.A.,
M.Sc.(Econ.).
The Honourable Francis John Walker,
LL.M.
Leon Ashton Punch.
Timothy John Moore.
Brian McGowan, B.A.
Ronald Alfred St Clair Brewer.
James Patrick Flaherty.
Kevin Richard Rozzoli.
The Honourable Rex Frederick
Jackson.
Laurence John Brereton.
Neil Edward William Pickard, B.A.,
Dip.Ed., L.Th.
Kevin James Ryan, LL.B.

25 May, 1976

Wilfred George Petersen.	Keith O'Connell.
Bruce John McDonald, A.S.T.C., M.I.E.Aust., Dip.T.C.P.	The Honourable Ronald Joseph Mulock, LL.B.
The Honourable William Frederick Crabtree.	The Honourable Patrick Darcy Hills. Bruce Laurence Webster.
John Clarkson Maddison, B.A., LL.B.	James Hill Brown.
Mervyn Leslie Hunter.	Brian Joseph Bannon.
Vincent Patrick Durick, B.A.	John Edward Hatton.
John Robert Arthur Dowd, LL.B.	Timothy Andrew Fischer.
Robert Bruce Duncan.	Ernest Noel Park, D.S.O., E.D.
George Paciullo.	James Hugh Taylor.
The Honourable Milton Arthur Morris.	James Caird Bruxner.
Evelyn Douglas Darby, B.Ec.	Colin Murray Fisher.
The Honourable William Henry Haigh.	Keith Ralph Doyle, B.Ec.
Thomas James Cahill.	Joseph John Schipp.
Noel Douglas Walker.	Arthur Edward Allanby Viney.
John Edward Akister.	The Honourable Kenneth George Booth.
David Amos Arblaster.	Samuel Barry Jones.
Anthony Valentine Patrick Johnson.	The Honourable Sydney David Einfeld.
The Honourable Henry Frederick Jensen.	Ernest Neville Quinn.
Mary Meillon, Mrs	Laurence Frederick McGinty, M.B.E., LL.B.
The Honourable Alan Robert Lindsay Gordon.	Thomas Lancelot Lewis.
Ronald Ernest Arthur Rofe.	Eric Daniel Ramsay.
William Arthur Wade.	Maurice Francis Keane.
James Alexander Cameron, LL.M.	Lerryn William Mutton.
Garry Bruce West.	George Francis Freudenstein.
David Bruce Cowan.	
Barry Charles Wilde.	

6. ELECTION OF SPEAKER.—Mr Degen, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him and then sat down), moved, That Lawrence Borthwick Kelly, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker—which motion was seconded by Mr Peterson.

And Mr Kelly, standing in his place, informed the House that he accepted nomination.

Question—"That Lawrence Borthwick Kelly, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker"—put by the Clerk and passed.

Whereupon Mr Degen and Mr Petersen conducted Mr Kelly to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgements to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him—

And thereupon sat down in the Chair.

Mr Wran, Sir Eric Willis, Mr Cameron and Mr Brown congratulated Mr Speaker.

Mr Wran then informed the House that he had ascertained that His Excellency the Governor would receive their Speaker at Government House at Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Mr Speaker left the Chair at Eighteen minutes after One o'clock, p.m., until Fifteen minutes before Three o'clock, p.m.

Mr Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER.—The House then proceeded to Government House to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor—

And being returned—

Mr Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House where he informed His Excellency the Governor that, immediately after the opening of Parliament to-day, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted right, had proceeded to the election of their Speaker, that the choice had fallen upon him, and that he had to present himself to His Excellency as their Speaker—whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer him his congratulations.

25 May, 1976

That he had then, in the name and on behalf of the House, laid claim to all their undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, to free access to His Excellency when occasion should require, and asked that the most favourable construction should, on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings; to all of which His Excellency readily assented.

Mr Speaker again expressed his appreciation for the honour the House had been pleased to confer upon him.

8. **MINISTERIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.**—Mr Wran informed the House that on Wednesday, 12 May, 1976, the Honourable Sir Eric Willis, K.B.E., C.M.G., M.L.A., submitted to His Excellency the Governor his resignation as Premier and Treasurer and as a Member of the Executive Council, an action which involved the resignation of all Ministers from their offices and as Members of the Executive Council. His Excellency then commissioned Mr Wran to form a new Ministry and on Friday, 14 May, 1976, he was sworn in as Premier and as a Member of the Executive Council, and the following gentlemen were appointed by His Excellency as Members of the Executive Council and to the offices indicated:

The Honourable Laurie John Ferguson, M.L.A., Deputy Premier, Minister for Public Works, Minister for Ports and Minister for Housing.

The Honourable John Brophy Renshaw, M.L.A., Treasurer.

The Honourable Peter Francis Cox, M.L.A., Minister for Transport and Minister for Highways.

The Honourable Francis John Walker, LL.M., M.L.A., Attorney-General.

The Honourable Patrick Darcy Hills, M.L.A., Minister for Mines and Minister for Energy.

The Honourable David Paul Landa, LL.B., M.L.C., Minister for Industrial Relations and Vice-President of the Executive Council.

The Honourable Donald Day, M.L.A., Minister for Decentralisation and Development and Minister for Primary Industries.

The Honourable Eric Lance Bedford, B.A., M.L.A., Minister for Education.

The Honourable Henry Frederick Jensen, M.L.A., Minister for Local Government and Minister for Planning.

The Honourable William Frederick Crabtree, M.L.A., Minister for Lands and Minister for Environment.

The Honourable Kevin James Stewart, M.L.A., Minister for Health.

The Honourable Sydney David Einfeld, M.L.A., Minister for Consumer Affairs and Minister for Co-operative Societies.

The Honourable Ronald Joseph Mulock, LL.B., M.L.A., Minister of Justice and Minister for Services.

The Honourable Kenneth George Booth, M.L.A., Minister for Sport and Recreation and Minister for Tourism.

The Honourable Alan Robert Lindsay Gordon, M.L.A., Minister for Conservation and Minister for Water Resources.

The Honourable Rex Frederick Jackson, M.L.A., Minister for Youth and Community Services.

The Honourable William Henry Haigh, M.L.A., Minister assisting the Premier.

Mr Wran also informed the House that the Minister for Industrial Relations would be represented in the House by the Minister assisting the Premier.

Mr Wran further informed the House that he had appointed the Honourable Member for Liverpool, Mr Paciullo, as Parliamentary Secretary.

9. **LEADER OF THE HOUSE.**—Mr Wran informed the House that the Honourable F. J. Walker, LL.M., had been appointed Leader of the Government in the House.

10. **GOVERNMENT WHIP.**—Mr Wran informed the House that Mr J. P. Flaherty had been elected Government Whip.

25 May, 1976

11. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION.—Sir Eric Willis informed the House of the election of himself as Leader of the Opposition, John Clarkson Maddison as Deputy-Leader of the Opposition and Lerryn William Mutton as Opposition Whip as from 15 May, 1976.
12. LEADER OF THE COUNTRY PARTY.—Mr Punch informed the House of the re-election of himself as Leader of the Country Party, James Caird Bruxner as Deputy-Leader of the Country Party and James Hugh Taylor as Country Party Whip as from 12 May, 1976.
13. STANDING ORDERS.—Mr Speaker reported that new Standing Orders, amended Standing Orders and rescission of a Standing Order adopted by the House on 30 March, 1976, were presented to His Excellency the Governor and that he had been pleased to approve of the same.
14. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.—Mr Speaker reported that since the last meeting of Parliament Messages had been received from His Excellency the Governor assenting to the following Bills:
- Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum) Amendment and Repeal Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Cattle Compensation (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Church of England Constitutions (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Evidence (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Irrigation (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Mines Inspection (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Port Macquarie Entrance Improvement Works Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Rivers and Foreshores Improvement (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Strata Titles (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Sydney Sports Ground and Sydney Cricket Ground Amalgamation (Amendment) Bill (31 March, 1976).
 - Anglican Church of Australia Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Builders Licensing (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Electricity Commission (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Hawkers (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Industrial Arbitration (Conciliation Commissioners) Amendment Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Local Government (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Mining (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - New South Wales Retirement Benefits (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Public Transport Commission (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Registered Clubs Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Traffic Authority Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Water (Amendment) Bill (1 April, 1976).
 - Water Resources Commission Bill (1 April, 1976).
15. FORESTRY ACT, 1916—REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF CERTAIN STATE FORESTS.—Mr Speaker reported a communication from His Excellency the Governor acknowledging receipt of the Resolution adopted by the House on 25 March, 1976, regarding the revocation of the dedication of parts of certain State Forests.
16. LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL.—Mr Wran presented a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the law of evidence,*" and moved, *pro formâ*, That this Bill be now read a first time.
- Question put and passed.
- Bill read a first time.

25 May, 1976

17. MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS.—Mr Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Commissioners in the Legislative Council Chamber, where a Commission for opening Parliament was read, a Message to the Assembly was delivered, and which Message he read to the House as follows:

HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—

We have it in command from His Excellency the Governor to acquaint you that His Excellency desires that you take into your earnest consideration such matters as may be submitted to you.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—

It being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be first chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you, Members of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

18. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Ordered, on motion of Mr Mutton, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Maxwell Stanley Ruddock, M.Ec., member for The Hills, on account of illness.

19. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Mr Kearns moved, That Thomas James Cahill, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House,—which motion was seconded by Mr Keane.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr Cahill made his acknowledgements to the House.

20. PETITION.—The Clerk announced that Mr Coleman had lodged a Petition for presentation from certain citizens of Hunters Hill praying for the installation of traffic lights outside Woolwich Primary School.

Petition received.

21. PAPERS.

Mr Day laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1) Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ended 30 June, 1975.
Ordered to be printed.

(2) Report of the Grain Elevators Board for the year ended 31 October, 1975.
Ordered to be printed.

Mr Renshaw laid upon the Table: Report of the Commissioner for Land Tax for the year ended 31 December, 1975.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr F. J. Walker laid upon the Table: Supreme Court Act, 1970—

- (a) Amendment No. 54 of the Supreme Court Rules, 1970. (*Gazette* 41/1976.)
 (b) Solicitors Admission Rules—Amendment of Rule 43. (*Gazette* 57/1976.)
 (c) Barristers Admission Rules—Amendment of Rule 34. (*Gazette* 57/1976.)
 (d) Barristers and Solicitors New Examination Rules—Amendment of Rule 17. (*Gazette* 57/1976.)

25 May, 1976

Mr Bedford laid upon the Table the following Papers:

- (1) Report of the Nurses Education Board of New South Wales for 1975.
- (2) Accounts of the Mitchell College of Advanced Education for 1974.
- (3) Accounts of the New South Wales College of Paramedical Studies for 1974.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Jensen laid upon the Table: Local Government Act, 1919—

- (a) Amendments of Ordinances 4, 9, 11, 14, 18, 28, 35D, 35E, 35G, 35M, 35T, 42, 44, 45, 46, 47, 47A, 48, 50A, 55, 56, 56A, 56B, 56C, 56D, 56E, 56F, 57, 62, 69, 70, 73, 85A, 107 and omission of Ordinance 39A. (*Gazettes* 31/1976, 41/1976, 59/1976.)
- (b) Amendments of By-laws 13A, 36, 38, 40, 41 and 42 under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, deemed to be Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919. (*Gazette* 41/1976.)

Mr Crabtree laid upon the Table the following Papers:

- (1) Report of the Lord Howe Island Board for 1974.

Ordered to be printed.

- (2) Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935—Fisheries and Oyster Farms (General) Regulations—Regulations 126, 126A and Form 57. (*Gazette* 35/1976.)

22. JOINT COMMITTEE UPON DRUGS.—Mr Viney brought up and laid upon the Table the Progress Report, Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence of the Joint Committee upon Drugs, for whose consideration and report this subject was referred on 7 August, 1975.

23. QUESTIONS.

24. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Ordered, on motion of Mr F. J. Walker (*by leave*), That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Financial Agreement (Amendment) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

25. FINANCIAL AGREEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—

- (1) Mr Speaker reported a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending the Bill (24 May, 1976).

- (2) Mr Renshaw moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the States; and to amend the Financial Agreement Act, 1944.

Question put and passed.

- (3) Mr Renshaw then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the States; and to amend the Financial Agreement Act, 1944*"—which was read a first time.

- (4) Mr Renshaw moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

- (5) Leave granted for the third reading to be moved forthwith.

On motion of Mr Renshaw, Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, together with a Message requesting the Council's concurrence therein.

25 May, 1976

26. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr Wran moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, the House at its rising To-day adjourn until Tuesday, 29 June, 1976.

Debate ensued.

Mr Dowd moved, That the question be amended by leaving out "29 June, 1976" with a view of inserting "8 June, 1976"—instead thereof.

Question proposed—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 49

Mr Akister	Mr Gordon	Mr Paciullo
Mr Bannon	Mr Haigh	Mr Petersen
Mr Barnier	Mr Hills	Mr Quinn
Mr Bedford	Mr M. L. Hunter	Mr Ramsay
Mr Booth	Mr Jackson	Mr Renshaw
Mr Breton	Mr Jensen	Mr Ryan
Mr Cahill	Mr Johnson	Mr Sheahan
Mr Cleary	Mr Johnstone	Mr K. J. Stewart
Mr Clough	Mr Jones	Mr Wade
Mr Cox	Mr Keane	Mr F. J. Walker
Mr Crabtree	Mr Kearns	Mr Whelan
Mr Day	Mr McGowan	Mr Wilde
Mr Durick	Mr Maher	Mr Wran
Mr Einfeld	Mr Mallam	
Mr Face	Mr Mulock	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr Ferguson	Mr Neilly	Mr Degen
Mr Flaherty	Mr O'Connell	Mr Rogan

Noes, 47

Mr Arblaster	Mr Griffith	Mr Park
Mr Barraclough	Mr Hatton	Mr Pickard
Mr Boyd	Mr Healey	Mr Punch
Mr Brewer	Mr Jackett	Mr Rofe
Mr Brown	Mr Leitch	Mr Rozzoli
Mr Bruxner	Mr McDonald	Mr Schipp
Mr Cameron	Mr McGinty	Mr Singleton
Mr Clough	Mr Mackie	Mr Taylor
Mr Coleman	Mr Maddison	Mr Viney
Mr Cowan	Mr Mason	Mr Walker
Mr Darby	Mrs Meillon	Mr West
Mr Doyle	Mr Moore	Sir Eric Willis
Mr Duncan	Mr Morris	Mr Wotton
Mr Fischer	Mr Murray	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr Fisher	Mr Mutton	Mr Dowd
Mr Freudenstein	Mr Osborne	Mr Webster

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Original Question put and passed.

27. PARLIAMENTARY CONTRIBUTORY SUPERANNUATION FUND.—Ordered, on motion of Mr Renshaw (*by leave*), That in accordance with section 14 (1) (b) of the Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act, 1971, the following members be and are hereby appointed as Trustees of the Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Fund:

The Honourable William Henry Haigh
Ernest Neville Quinn
James Arthur Clough
David Bruce Cowan.

28. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF THE HILLS.—

(1) Mr Speaker informed the House that he had this day received a letter from Maxwell Stanley Ruddock, M.Ec., resigning his seat as member for the electoral district of The Hills.

(2) Mr Wran moved, That the seat of Maxwell Stanley Ruddock, M.Ec., member for the electoral seat of The Hills, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said Maxwell Stanley Ruddock, M.Ec.

Question put and passed.

25 May, 1976

29. FINANCIAL AGREEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr Speaker reported a Message from the Legislative Council returning the Bill (25 May, 1976) without amendment.

30. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr F. J. Walker moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at Twenty minutes before Nine o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday, 29 June, 1976*, at Fifteen minutes after Two o'clock, p.m.

R. E. WARD,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

L. B. KELLY,
Speaker.



PROCLAMATION

NEW SOUTH WALES
TO WIT.

(L.S.)

A. R. CUTLER,
Governor.

By His Excellency Sir ARTHUR RODEN CUTLER, upon whom has been conferred the decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Knight of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales now stand adjourned to Tuesday, the twenty-ninth day of June, 1976: Now, I, Sir ARTHUR RODEN CUTLER, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said State, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of August, 1976: And I further announce and proclaim that the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly shall assemble for the despatch of business on the aforesaid twenty-fourth day of August, 1976, at twelve o'clock at noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers situate in Macquarie Street, in the City of Sydney: And the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this twenty-third day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-six, and in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

NEVILLE WRAN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

BY AUTHORITY

D. WEST, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, NEW SOUTH WALES—1976

THE
MAGAZINE
OF THE
ROYAL
SOCIETY
OF
EDINBURGH
PUBLISHED
BY
WILLIAM LEITCH,
PRINTERS,
10, NICHOLSON STREET,
EDINBURGH.

THE
MAGAZINE
OF THE
ROYAL
SOCIETY
OF
EDINBURGH

1976

New South Wales

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

BUSINESS UNDISPOSED OF AT THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION

(PROROGUED, 23 JUNE, 1976)

QUESTIONS—*(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)*

1. Finance to Non-government Schools.—Mr Maher to ask the Treasurer—
What financial aid was received by each non-government secondary school in New South Wales during the financial year 1974–1975?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

2. Funds to Terminating Building Societies.—Mr Maher to ask the Minister for Consumer Affairs and Minister for Co-operative Societies—
- (1) Was an amount of \$10 million made available to Terminating Building Societies in September or October, 1975?
 - (2) Which Societies received allocations and what amount of money was allocated to each Society?
 - (3) Which Societies received portion of the \$20 million allocation to Terminating Building Societies in July?
 - (4) What amount was passed on to each Society out of the July allocations?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

3. Disqualification of Persons to Local Government.—Mr Maher to ask the Premier—
- (1) Does Ordinance 4 in force under the Local Government Act, 1919, contain provisions which disqualify (i) aliens and (ii) Australians with dual nationality, from appointment to various local government positions?
 - (2) Are amendments being recommended to remove possible discrimination against migrants?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

4. Employers Corporate Investments Pty Ltd.—Mr Maher to ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) Are unsecured creditors in danger of losing funds on deposit with Employers Corporate Investments Pty Ltd?
 - (2) Are inquiries being conducted into the affairs of this company?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

5. Car Seat Belts.—Mr Maher to ask the Minister for Transport and Minister for Highways—

Are persons aged 70 years and over exempt from wearing a seat belt when a passenger or when driving a motor vehicle?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

6. Cambridge Credit Corporation.—Mr Maher to ask the Attorney-General—

When will a final report be tabled from the Corporate Affairs Commission concerning the affairs of Cambridge Credit Corporation Limited (Receiver Appointed)?

(Notice given, 25 May, 1976.)

7. Abbotsford Public School.—Mr Maher to ask the Minister for Education—

- (1) Have plans been completed for Stage II of additions at Abbotsford Public School?
- (2) What additional facilities and classrooms will be constructed in Stage II?
- (3) Is an infants' class being conducted in a wooden portable classroom which is substandard and situated some distance from the Infants' Department?
- (4) When will Stage II of the additions be commenced?

1976

NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS IN DIVISIONS AND COUNTS-OUT
DURING THE SESSION 1976
(25 MAY 1976)

Total number of Divisions in the House, 1; Divisions in Committee, Nil; Counts-out, Nil.

	Divisions in the House.	Divisions in Committee.	Counts- out.	Total Divisions Attended.
Akister, John Edward	1	..	..	1
Arblaster, David Amos	1	..	..	1
Bannon, Brian Joseph	1	..	..	1
Barnier, Gordon Arthur	1	..	..	1
Barraclough, Lindley John Forbes	1	..	..	1
Bedford, The Hon. Eric Lance, B.A.	1	..	..	1
Booth, The Hon. Kenneth George	1	..	..	1
Boyd, John Charles	1	..	..	1
Brereton, Laurence John	1	..	..	1
Brewer, Ronald Alfred St. Clair	1	..	..	1
Brown, James Hill	1	..	..	1
Bruxner, James Caird	1	..	..	1
Cahill, Thomas James	1	..	..	1
Cameron, James Alexander, LL.M.	1	..	..	1
Cleary, Michael Arthur	1	..	..	1
Clough, James Arthur	1	..	..	1
Clough, Ralph James	1	..	..	1
Colcman, William Peter, B.A., M.Sc. (Econ.)	1	..	..	1
Cowan, David Bruce	1	..	..	1
Cox, The Hon. Peter Francis	1	..	..	1
Crabtree, The Hon. William Frederick	1	..	..	1
Darby, Evelyn Douglas, B.Ec.	1	..	..	1
Day, The Hon. Donald	1	..	..	1
Degen, Roger Charles	1	..	..	1
Dowd, John Robert Arthur, LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Doyle, Keith Ralph, B.Ec.	1	..	..	1
Duncan, Robert Bruce	1	..	..	1
Durick, Vincent Patrick, B.A.	1	..	..	1
Einfeld, The Hon. Sydney David	1	..	..	1
Face, Jack Richard	1	..	..	1
Ferguson, The Hon. Laurie John	1	..	..	1
Fischer, Timothy Andrew	1	..	..	1
Fisher, Colin Murray	1	..	..	1
Flaherty, James Patrick	1	..	..	1
Freudenstein, George Francis	1	..	..	1
Gordon, The Hon. Alan Robert Lindsay	1	..	..	1
Griffith, Ian Ross	1	..	..	1
Haigh, The Hon. William Henry	1	..	..	1
Hatton, John Edward	1	..	..	1
Healey, Richard Owen	1	..	..	1
Hills, The Hon. Patrick Darcy	1	..	..	1
Hunter, Mervyn Leslie	1	..	..	1
Jackett, John Gordon Thorne	1	..	..	1
Jackson, The Hon. Rex Frederick	1	..	..	1

	Divisions in the House.	Divisions in Committee.	Counts- out.	Total Divisions Attended.
Jensen, The Hon. Henry Frederick	1	..	..	1
Johnson, Anthony Valentine Patrick	1	..	..	1
Johnstone, Lewis Albert	1	..	..	1
Jones, Samuel Barry	1	..	..	1
Keane, Maurice Francis	1	..	..	1
Kearns, Nicholas Joseph	1	..	..	1
Kelly, The Hon. Lawrence Borthwick .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Leitch, David Stanley, M.B., B.S.	1	..	..	1
Lewis, Thomas Lancelot .. .. .	..	..	..	..
McDonald, Bruce John, A.S.T.C., M.I.E. Aust., Dip.T.C.P.	1	..	..	1
McGinty, Laurence Frederick, M.B.E., LL.B.	1	..	..	1
McGowan, Brian, B.A... .. .	1	..	..	1
Mackie, Gordon Charlton	1	..	..	1
Maddison, John Clarkson, B.A., LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Maher, Michael John, M.A., LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Mallam, Heathcote Clifford	1	..	..	1
Mason, John Marsden, L.Th.	1	..	..	1
Meillon, Mrs Mary	1	..	..	1
Moore, Timothy John	1	..	..	1
Morris, The Hon. Milton Arthur	1	..	..	1
Mulock, The Hon. Ronald Joseph, LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Murray, Wallace Telford John	1	..	..	1
Mutton, Lerryn William	1	..	..	1
Neilly, George Henry	1	..	..	1
O'Connell, Keith	1	..	..	1
Osborne, Clive Geoffrey	1	..	..	1
Paciullo, George	1	..	..	1
Park, Ernest Noel, D.S.O., E.D.	1	..	..	1
Petersen, Wilfred George	1	..	..	1
Pickard, Neil Edward William, B.A., Dip.Ed., L.Th.	1	..	..	1
Punch, Leon Ashton	1	..	..	1
Quinn, Ernest Neville	1	..	..	1
Ramsay, Eric Daniel	1	..	..	1
Renshaw, The Hon. John Brophy	1	..	..	1
Rofe, Ronald Ernest Arthur	1	..	..	1
Rogan, Patrick Allan	1	..	..	1
Rozzoli, Kevin Richard	1	..	..	1
Ruddock, Maxwell Stanley, M.Ec. .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Ryan, Kevin James, LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Schipp, Joseph John	1	..	..	1
Sheahan, Terence William, B.A., LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Singleton, Matthew	1	..	..	1
Stewart, The Hon. Kevin James	1	..	..	1
Taylor, James Hugh	1	..	..	1
Viney, Arthur Edward Allanby	1	..	..	1
Wade, William Arthur	1	..	..	1
Walker, The Hon. Francis John, LL.M.	1	..	..	1
Walker, Noel Douglas	1	..	..	1
Webster, Bruce Laurence	1	..	..	1
West, Garry Bruce	1	..	..	1
Whelan, Paul Francis Patrick, LL.B.	1	..	..	1
Wilde, Barry Charles	1	..	..	1
Willis, Sir Eric Archibald, K.B.E., C.M.G.	1	..	..	1
Wotton, Roger Corfield Anson	1	..	..	1
Wran, The Hon. Neville Kenneth, Q.C.	1	..	..	1

Legislative Assembly,
Sydney, 26 May, 1976.

R. E. WARD,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1976

NEW SOUTH WALES
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH
WALES DURING THE SESSION OF 1976**

1. New Writs issued									
2. Select Committees:—									
On Public Matters									
On Private Matters									
On Private Bills									
On Public Bills									
3. Sessional Committees									
4. Public Bills:—									
Originated in the Assembly:—									
Received Assent					1				
Reserved for Royal Assent									
Otherwise disposed of					1				
Brought from the Council:—									2
Received Assent									
Otherwise disposed of									
5. Private Bills:—									
Originated in the Assembly:—									
Received Assent									
Otherwise disposed of									
Brought from the Council:—									
Received Assent									
Otherwise disposed of									
6. Petitions received									1
7. Divisions:—									
In the House					1				
In Committee									
8. Sittings (for details see page 2):—									
Number of Sittings									1
Days of Meeting									1
Hours of Sitting						8 hours 40 minutes.			
Hours of Sitting after Midnight									
Daily Average (actual hours per day of meeting)						8 hours 40 minutes.			
Adjourned for want of a Quorum:—									
Before commencement of Business									
After commencement of Business									
9. Entries in Votes and Proceedings									30
10. Entries in Question Paper:—									
Questions asked									11
Questions answered									4
11. Entries in Notice Paper:—									
Government Business:—									
Notices of Motions									
Orders of the Day									
General Business:—									
Notices of Motions									
Orders of the Day									
12. Orders for Papers									
13. Addresses for Papers									
14. Other Addresses									
15. Papers laid upon the Table:—									
By Message									
By Command or Statute					10				
In Returns to Orders									
In Returns to Addresses									
Reports from Sessional Committees									
Reports from Select Committees									
Reports from Council Select Committees (on Private Bills)									
Other Papers					1				
Ordered to be Printed					6				
Not ordered to be Printed					5				
									11

16. Sitting of the House:—

Return of the day on which the House sat in the Session of 1976, stating the date of the month and the day of the week, the hour of the meeting and adjournment, and the total number of hours occupied in the sitting of the House, and the number of entries in the day's *Votes and Proceedings*:—

No.	Date	Day	House Met	House Adjourned	Hours of Sitting	Hours after Midnight	Entries in Votes	New Government Motions	New Government Orders	New General Motions	New General Orders	New Questions	Questions Answered	Contingent Notices	Divisions
1	1976 25 May	Tuesday	12 noon	8.40 p.m.	h.m. 8.40	h.m. ..	30	..	..	..	..	11	4	..	1

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 25 May, 1976.

R. E. WARD,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1976

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
NEW SOUTH WALES

No. 1

REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1976

Short Titles	By whom initiated	Message from Governor recommending provision for	Ordered	Presented and read 1 ^o	Read 2 ^o	Committed	Recommitted	Reported without Amendment	Reported with Amendment	Report adopted	Read 3 ^o , passed, and sent to Council for concurrence	Agreed to by Council without Amendment	Agreed to by Council with Amendment	Council's Amendments agreed to	Council's Amendments disagreed to	Order of the Day discharged, and Bill withdrawn	Assent reported	No. of Act	Remarks
Financial Agreement (Amendment)	Mr Renshaw	1976 25 May	.....	1976 25 May	1976 25 May	†	.....	.....	.....	.....	1976 25 May	1976 25 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	*	35	Standing Orders suspended—by leave—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 25 May, 1976.
Law of Evidence (<i>pro forma</i>)	Mr Wran	.....	.....	25 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Assent not reported during Session
† Third reading taken forthwith (S.O. 256).

