

Votes

New South Wales.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER, 1868.

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 1st day of September, 1868; the Speaker took the Chair. The Clerk then, by direction of the Speaker, read a copy of the said Proclamation, as follows:—

“ PROCLAMATION.

“ *By His Excellency the Right Honorable SOMERSET RICHARD, EARL OF BELMORE,*
“ *a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council in Ireland,*
“ *Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales, and*
“ *Vice-Admiral of the same.*

“ Whereas the Parliament of New South Wales now stands prorogued
“ to Tuesday, the fifteenth instant: Now I, SOMERSET RICHARD, EARL OF
“ BELMORE, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested, as Governor
“ of the said Colony, do hereby further prorogue the said Parliament to Tuesday,
“ the thirteenth day of October next ensuing; and I do hereby further announce
“ and proclaim, that the said Parliament shall assemble for the despatch of busi-
“ ness on the aforesaid thirteenth day of October next, at Twelve o'clock at noon,
“ in the buildings known as the Council Chambers, situate in Macquarie-street,
“ in the City of Sydney; and the Members of the Legislative Council and Legis-
“ lative Assembly, respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the
“ said time and place accordingly.

“ Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Sydney, this
“ first day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
“ hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-second year of Her
“ Majesty's Reign.

“ (L.S) BELMORE.

“ *By His Excellency's Command,*
“ HENRY PARKES.

“ GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!”

2. Writs issued and returns made during Recess:—The Speaker reported as follows:—
- (1.) That, in pursuance of the direction of the Electoral Act of 1858, he had issued Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament in the room of Members who had respectively resigned their Seats by letters addressed to him, viz.:—
 - (1.) For The Upper Hunter, in room of James White, Esquire.
 - (2.) For Gold Fields North, in room of George Ferrers Pickering, Esquire.
 - (3.) For Canterbury, in room of James Penell, Esquire.
 - (4.) For Northumberland, in room of Atkinson Alfred Patrick Tighe, Esquire.

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(2.) That certain of these Writs had been duly returned to him, with the respective certificates endorsed thereon of the Election of the following Gentlemen:—

James Hoskins, Esquire, to serve as Member for Gold Fields North.

Richard Hill, Esquire, to serve as a Member for Canterbury.

Atkinson Alfred Patrick Tighe, Esquire, to serve as Member for Northumberland.

(3.) That the Writ above-mentioned, for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of The Upper Hunter, was issued returnable on the 15th June last; that such Writ, certifying to the election of Archibald Bell, Esquire, had been returned, but had not reached him until the 6th July, in consequence of delay (as reported by the Returning Officer) in the taking of the poll at a certain Polling-place; that he had acquainted the Government with the circumstances of the case, and that His Excellency the Governor had declared, by a Proclamation for that purpose, published in the *Government Gazette*, under the provisions of the Electoral Act of 1858, the election of the said Archibald Bell, Esquire, to be valid, notwithstanding the said delay in the taking of the poll and in the return of the Writ.

3. Members Sworn:—

(1.) Archibald Bell, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Upper Hunter.

(2.) Atkinson Alfred Patrick Tighe, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Northumberland.

4. Message from His Excellency the Governor:—The Usher of the Black Rod, being admitted, delivered a Message, "That it is the pleasure of the Governor that this "Honorable House do attend His Excellency immediately in the Legislative "Council Chamber."

The House went, and being returned, adjourned, on motion of Mr. Martin, at twenty-seven minutes past Twelve o'clock, until Three o'clock This Day.

The House resumed, pursuant to adjournment.

5. Ordnance Land Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Martin moved for leave to introduce a Bill for confirming the Transfer to the Secretary at War in England from the Principal Officers of Ordnance there of certain Lands in New South Wales and for amending the Ordnance Land Act of Council 1840.

Question put and passed.

6. Member Sworn:—Richard Hill, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of Canterbury.

7. Papers:—

(1.) Mr. Martin laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—

(1.) Correspondence respecting Removal of Rev. M. J. Dwyer, Roman Catholic Chaplain, Darlinghurst Gaol.

(2.) Despatch, &c., respecting Treason Felony Act. (*This paper was read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker.*)

(3.) Correspondence respecting Application for Grant of Site of Sydney Infirmary Buildings.

(4.) Despatch respecting Departure of Sir John Young from the Colony.

(5.) Despatch respecting Attempted Assassination of H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

(6.) Despatch respecting Application for Lease of Great Banks Island.

(7.) University of Sydney. (Report for 1867.)

(8.) Annual Ordnance Returns. (12 May, 1868.)

(9.) Real Property Act. (Returns for 1867.)

(10.) Reports respecting Nautical School Ship "Vernon."

(11.) Industrial School for Girls at Newcastle. (Regulations.)

(12.) Volunteer Regulations. (Dated 4th June, 1868.)

(13.) By-laws under the Municipalities Act 31 Vic. No. 12, sec. 158, of the undermentioned Boroughs:—

(1.) Borough of Armidale.

(2.) Borough of Balmain.

(3.) Borough of Balmain.

(4.) Borough of Cudgegong.

(5.) Borough of West Maitland.

(6.) Borough of Mudgee.

(7.) Borough of Newcastle.

(8.) Borough of Parramatta.

(9.) Borough of St. Leonard's.

(10.) Borough of Singleton.

(11.) Borough of Waverley.

(14.) Return of Expenditure of Government Asylums for Infirm and Destitute, for 1867.

(15.) Return to Address, in reference to "Dismissal of Mr. S. C. Drewe by Council of Education," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Forster, on 21st April, 1868.

(16.) Return to Order, in reference to "Gaol Statistics," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Neale, on 28th February, 1868.

(17.) Blue Book for the Year 1867.

(18.) Statistical Register of New South Wales for the Year 1867.

Ordered to be printed.

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(2.) Mr. Eagar laid upon the Table, Correspondence respecting removal of W. A. Duncan, Esq., from the Office of Collector of Customs,—
And moved that the document be printed.
Mr. Martin hereupon made a Ministerial explanation, with reference to the recent retirement of Mr. Parkes from the Government,—
And Mr. Parkes further explained,—
Question then put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

8. Ordnance Land Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Martin having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled, "*A Bill for confirming the Transfer to the Secretary at War in England from the Principal Officers of Ordnance there of certain Lands in New South Wales and for amending the Ordnance Land Act of Council 1840,*" read a first time.
9. William Cronan:—Mr. Forster presented a Petition from William Cronan, of Sydney, representing that, having been a digger at Lambing Flat, in 1863, and being desirous of removing from thence, he offered a certain sum of money in gold, for safe custody, to the Local Gold Commissioners, but that those officers declined the charge, and that he was subsequently robbed of the money; since which he has become almost blind, and incapable of resuming his occupation as a digger; and praying favorable consideration and equity in the case.
Petition received.
10. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—The Speaker, pursuant to the requirement of the Electoral Act of 1858, laid upon the Table his Warrant, appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, of which the following is a copy:—

"LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

"By the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales.

"Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in me, as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, by the Electoral Act of 1858, I do hereby appoint

"William Macleay, Esquire,
"Thomas Garrett, Esquire,
"James Hart, Esquire,
"William Richman Piddington, Esquire,
"Hugh Gordon, Esquire,
"Stephen Campbell Brown, Esquire, and
"William Charles Windeyer, Esquire,

"being Members of the said Assembly, to be Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications in the said Act referred to, during the present Session of the Assembly aforesaid.

"Given under my Hand, at the Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Macquarie-street, Sydney, this 13th day of October, in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

"W. M. ARNOLD,
"Speaker."

11. Mr. Tighe laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) Post Office—Thirteenth Annual Report, being that for the year 1867, to which are appended the Reports from the other Departments, placed under the control of the Postmaster General.
(2.) Further Correspondence respecting Steam Postal Service.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Licensed Carters:—Mr. Sutherland presented a Petition from the Licensed Carters of the City of Sydney, praying for a reduction of their License Fee.
Petition received.
13. The Governor's Opening Speech:—The Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to deliver an Opening Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained a Copy, which he read to the House as follows:—

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

1. The long duration of the last Session of Parliament made it impossible for me, having due regard for your convenience, to call you together again at so early a period as would, under other circumstances, have been desirable.

2. During the recess, the Railways and other Public Works have been vigorously proceeded with. On the Southern line twenty-nine miles have been opened for traffic, and it is expected that the remaining nineteen miles to Goulburn will be completed by the end of March next. The Western line has been extended fifteen miles beyond the Weatherboard, and another extension of thirty-four miles will probably be opened within the next nine months. On the Northern line, the rails have been permanently laid for twenty-two miles beyond Singleton, and by January next, the extension of thirty-one miles as far as Muswellbrook will be completed. All the contracts are now taken to the several terminal points sanctioned by Parliament, with the exception of the last two miles into Bathurst, for which plans and specifications are being prepared; and tenders have been invited for the manufacture, in the Colony, of the whole of the rolling stock required for the next five years, commencing on the 1st January, 1869.

3. These Southern and Western Extensions have been productive of great benefit to the public, and, among other good results, a large addition has been made by them to the public Revenue; the Railway Income of this year being twenty-eight thousand pounds in excess of the sum received during the corresponding period of last year.

4. The various extensive works for the improvement of Harbours and Navigation along the coast have been pushed on as rapidly as was practicable, and within the last few days, the new basin at Wollongong has been thrown open for public use.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

5. The Estimates of Expenditure for the ensuing year will shortly be laid before you. I have satisfaction in stating, that the Revenue for the current year, received up to this time, exceeds the collections, from the like sources of income, during the corresponding period of 1867. The Loan of one million, for which Parliamentary sanction had been obtained, has not, by the latest advices from London, been yet submitted to public tender; but there is every reason to believe, that, when so submitted, it will be disposed of at a higher rate than has been realized in England, for the Debentures of this Colony, for several years past. Recent sales of our Securities, both here and in London, have shewn that the credit of the Colony never stood higher than at the present moment.

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

6. A number of Bills have been prepared for your consideration, amongst the most important of which are, Bills to amend the Land Laws, to provide for the disposal of the Church and School Lands, to amend the Impounding Laws, to authorize and regulate the construction of Dams, and to consolidate the Public Debt of the Colony. These Bills will be laid before you without delay; and the importance of the matters to which they relate will, I doubt not, commend them to your most earnest consideration.

7. I have to congratulate you upon the favorable prospect of an abundant harvest, promising to afford seasonable relief—after several continuous years of agricultural distress.

8. I devoutly hope that, under Divine Providence, in your deliberations upon the various measures that may occupy your attention, you will so act as will best promote the interests and welfare of the community at large.

Mr. Lackey then moved, and Mr. Burns seconded the motion,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address in reply to the Speech delivered by His Excellency the Governor, on opening this Session of the Parliament of New South Wales.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Messrs. Burns, Mate, Lord, Dr. Lang, Oatley, Walker, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

And the Committee retired to prepare the Address.

And Mr. Lackey having brought up the Address prepared by the Committee, the same was read by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker, as follows:—

*“ To His Excellency the Right Honorable SOMERSET RICHARD, EARL OF BELMORE,
“ a Member of Her Majesty’s Most Honorable Privy Council in Ireland,
“ Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales, and
“ Vice-Admiral of the same.*

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

“ We, Her Majesty’s loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the
“ Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to
“ express to Your Excellency our loyalty and attachment to Her Most Gracious
“ Majesty’s Person and ‘ Government,’ and to offer our respectful thanks for Your
“ Excellency’s Speech.

“ 2. It is satisfactory to us to be informed that considerable progress has
“ been made in the construction of Railways, and that tenders have been invited
“ for the manufacture of the required rolling stock in this Colony.

“ 3. We are glad to learn that the Extensions already completed have
“ added considerably to the public Revenue; and that the works in connection
“ with Harbour and River Navigation are being pushed on as rapidly as practicable.

“ 4. The Bills to amend the Land Laws, and to deal with the other
“ important matters to which Your Excellency refers, shall receive the most
“ careful consideration at our hands, and shall be dealt with by us in such mode,
“ as, in our opinion, will be most likely to promote the general welfare.”

Mr. Lackey then moved, and Mr. Burns seconded the Motion,—That the Address in reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, be now adopted by this House.

Mr. Robertson moved, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words of the proposed Address after the word “ Government ” in the first paragraph, with a view to inserting in their place the words,—“ but we feel that we should
“ be wanting in our duty, if we did not, on the earliest opportunity of which we
“ can avail ourselves, respectfully express to your Excellency our regret that, on
“ the retirement of the late Colonial Secretary, your Excellency did not secure an
“ Administration having the confidence of this House.”

Debate ensued.

Question

Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 28.	
Mr. Martin,	Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Lord,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Macpherson,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Tunks,	Mr. Egan,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Outley,	Mr. Hurley,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Parker,	Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Smart,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. Farnell,	Mr. Forster,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. Barnes,	Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Leo,	Mr. Tighe,	Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Nowlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Burns,	Dr. Lang,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Walker.	Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Burdekin.
Mr. Ryan,		Mr. Cooper,	

The Numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his Vote with the Ayes, and declared the question to have passed in the affirmative.—The Speaker said that, in giving his Casting Vote he was influenced by the belief that, in the determination of a question of a purely party character, obviously raised for the purpose of displacing a Government, it would not be in accordance with his duty to throw his weight into the scale in such a way as to manifest party predilection or to precipitate the result aimed at.

Original Question then put and passed.

14. Adjournment:—Mr. Martin moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at three o'clock, for the purpose of proceeding to Government House, there, at half-past Three o'clock, to present to the Governor their Address, in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at a quarter before Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14.

MEMO:—The House meet at Three o'clock this day, and proceed to Government House, there, at half-past Three o'clock, to present to the Governor their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14.

Questions:—

1. MR. THORNTON to ask THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—What has been done in the matter of the Memorial forwarded in April last, from the Inhabitants of Forbes, praying for the removal of the Police Magistrate, Mr. Farrand?
2. MR. DRIVER to ask THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Is the Contractor for the Conveyance of the Mail between Rockley and the Swallow's Nest bound to deliver such mail within any specified time, and if so, what time is allowed between such places?
 - (2.) Is the Contractor bound to travel along any particular line of road?
3. MR. DRIVER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is he aware that the Court House at Rockley has not been furnished?
 - (2.) Is it intended to supply such Court House with any furniture, and if so, when?
4. MR. DRIVER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has any road leading from Rockley to the Swallow's Nest been surveyed by the authority of the Government?
 - (2.) Has such road been proclaimed?
 - (3.) Have any applications been made to the Secretary for Lands to proclaim and open such road?
 - (4.) What is the cause of the delay in opening the said road?
 - (5.) Is it intended to open the said road, and if so, when?

5. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has the attention of the Government been called to the state of the road leading from Bathurst through Evans' Plains?
 - (2.) Is it intended to repair the whole of such road?
6. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE PREMIER,—Have any Members of the House been employed by the Government, in any office of the Government in any capacity during the recess; and if any, the names and amount paid, or agreed to be paid, to them respectively?
7. MR. ECKFORD *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—What were the reasons upon which the Attorney General refused to sanction the Bye-laws agreed to by the Municipality of West Maitland, and submitted to him in September last?
8. MR. FORSTER *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measure for the amendment of the Superannuation Act?
9. MR. FORSTER *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measure for the amendment of the "Treason Felony Act" of last Session; and, in particular, for the repeal or amendment of those provisions in which the said Act differs from the Imperial Act, 11 Victoria, chapter 12, recommended for adoption by the Legislature of this Colony, by the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 11, 1867, and laid upon the Table of this House on February 25, this year?
10. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Have the Government taken into consideration the advisability of constructing a line of Railway from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?
 - (2.) Have any steps been taken to ascertain the distance, and the best practicable route from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?
11. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount has been received for traffic on the Southern Line of Railway during the quarter ending 30th September, 1868?
 - (2.) What amount has been received on the Western Railway during the same period?
 - (3.) What amount has been received on the Northern Railway during the same period?

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for Dispatch of Business at Three o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.
2. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.
3. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
4. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
5. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
6. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
7. MR. MARTIN *to move*, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
8. MR. MARTIN *to move*,—That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 - (2.)

- (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
9. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
 10. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
 11. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—the Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Burns, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of 6th August, 1862.
 12. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
 13. MR. MARTIN to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
 14. MR. MARTIN to move, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
 15. MR. SAMUEL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between Mr. William Wilkins and the Immigration Agent, together with other Correspondence and Papers relating to the detention of the effects of Mary Biggs, an immigrant per ship "Devonport," who died at the Quarantine Station.
 16. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable Gates to be erected across Roads in certain cases.
 17. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Dams and other Reservoirs for the preservation of water.
 18. MR. WILSON to move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to Amend the Land Laws.
 19. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney, to certain Municipal and other public purposes.
 20. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.
 21. MR. GARRETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
 22. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of George M'Leod for compensation for an illegal seizure, made by the late Special Constable Carroll and his assistants, at the stores, in Braidwood, of the said George M'Leod, of ale, wine, rum, brandy, whiskey, and other liquids, and also of baskets, spirit measures, and other goods.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. De Salis, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
 - (3.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of last Session, on the same subject, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of, evidence taken before, and Papers referred to, that Committee, be now referred to this Committee.
 23. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the reason of the removal of Mr. Rowland Hassall from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.

(2.)

- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Neale, Mr. Egan, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Lord, and the Mover.
24. MR. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the dam of Cook's River, and called the Cook's River Road, to expend a portion of the trust funds in Lighting the said Road.
 25. MR. FORSTER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to divide the Electoral District of the Hastings.
 26. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Rights and Liabilities of Common Carriers.
 27. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15.

Question :—

1. MR. TUNKS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the Return be furnished having reference to applications to purchase and reclaim land under the 9th and 12th clauses of the Crown Lands Alienation Act, ordered by this House on the 5th November last, and which Return was promised to be prepared within a fortnight or so, on the 25th March last?

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. THORNTON to move, That copies of all correspondence, minutes, papers, evidence, and proceedings of any and every nature and kind soever, arising out of and relating to the suspension and dismissal of W. A. Duncan, Esq., late Collector of Customs of the Port of Sydney, be laid on the Table of this House, and as early as practicable.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. THORNTON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Game Protection Act.
2. MR. THORNTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of N. S. W. Debentures which have been sold since the accession to office of the present Honorable Minister for Finance, up to 31st December, 1867, detailing price sold for—
 - (2.) Charges (in detail) thereon—of every nature; and net proceeds of each sale.
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 - (1.) That the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, in ordering the case of goods which had been duly seized and condemned for a breach of the Customs' Laws, to be given up, and afterwards to be valued for ad valorem duty at £55, when they had been entered by the importer at a declared value of £30—the invoice value having been ascertained to be £58—acted in violation of law, and in a manner calculated to endanger the Public Revenue.
 - (2.) That this House, having taken into consideration the circumstances connected with the dismissal of Mr. W. A. Duncan from the office of Collector of Customs, is of opinion that he ought not to have been dismissed, and that the course pursued by the Government was not only harsh, but unjust, to an officer who had so long and zealously served the public.
 - (3.) That this House is of opinion that the appointment of the present Collector of Customs, at a reduced salary, is mistaken economy, and meets with the disapproval of this House.
 - (4.) That the foregoing resolutions be presented, by address, to His Excellency the Governor.

6. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated, by address, to His Excellency the Governor.
7. MR. FORSTER to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Expenditure caused by, or arising out of, the Public Reception and Entertainment of the Duke of Edinburgh in this Colony, in or about the months of February and March, 1868, specifying in each case the special purpose and the person or persons to whom the expenditure was entrusted, and the date and amount; and particularly with reference to—
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27.

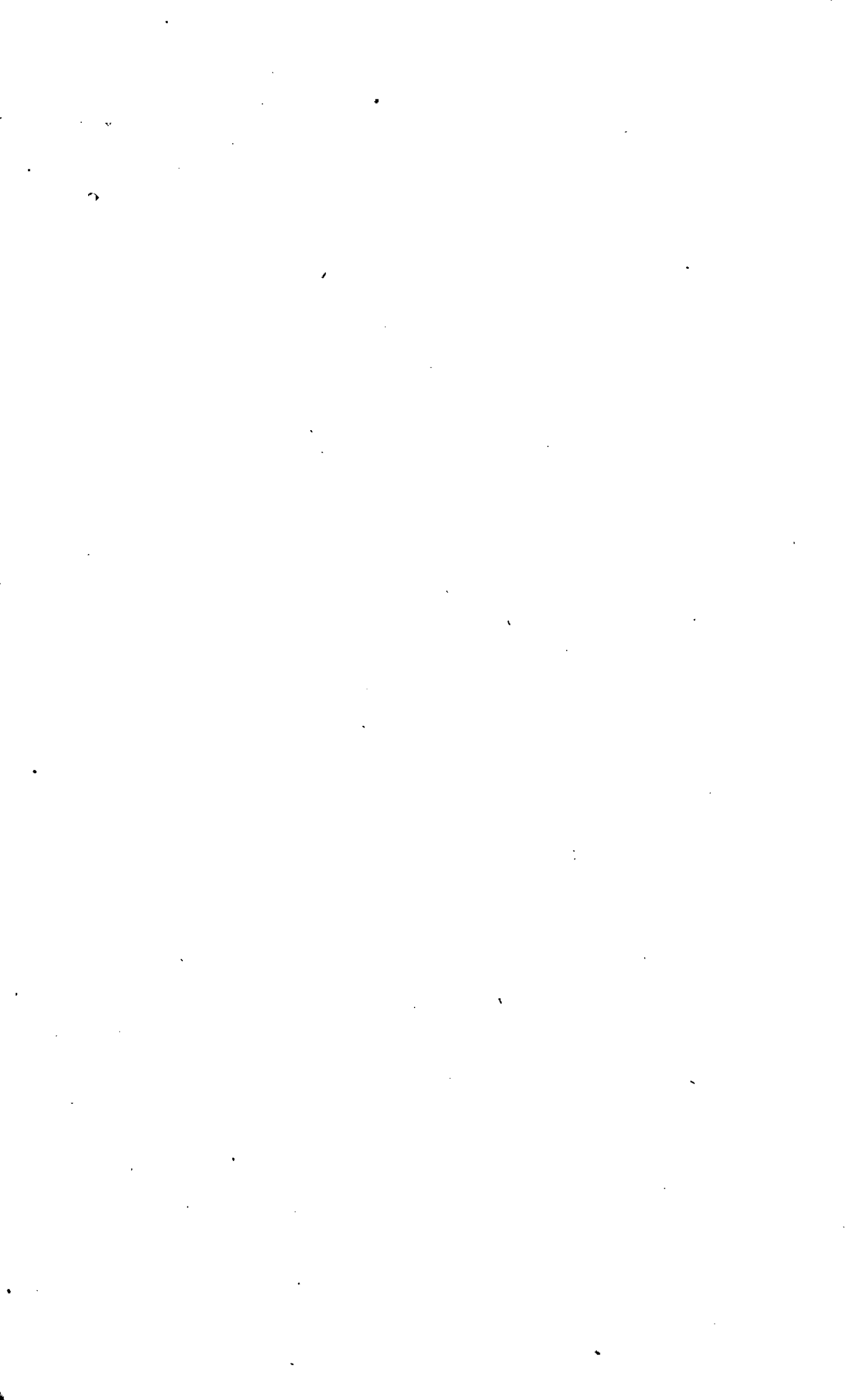
NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. LANG to move for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the duration of all Future Parliaments to three years.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

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1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.



New South Wales.

No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 14 OCTOBER, 1868. •

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Address in reply to the Governor's Opening Speech :—On motion of Mr. Martin (*at twenty minutes after Three o'clock*), the Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech :—

And, being returned, the Speaker reported that the House had proceeded to Government House, and there presented to the Governor their Address in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following Answer thereto :—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

I acknowledge with satisfaction the expression of your loyalty and attachment to Her Most Gracious Majesty's Person and Government, and your assurance that the important measures about to be submitted to you will receive the most careful consideration at your hands, and will be dealt with in such a mode as will be most likely to promote the general welfare.

Government House,
Sydney, 14th October, 1868.

BELMORE.

2. Member Sworn :—James Hoskins, Esquire, having taken the Oath, and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Gold Fields North.
3. Papers :—
- (1.) Mr. Wilson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
- (1.) Tabular Returns showing Conditional Purchases of Crown Lands made during the years 1862-3-4-5-6-7 and 8 (*in separate bundles for each year*).
- (2.) Schedule showing the total number of Conditional Purchases made in New South Wales from January 1, 1862, to June 30, 1868.
Schedule (*but not Tabular Returns*) ordered to be printed.
- (2.) Mr. Eagar laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
- (1.) Minutes, Memoranda, and Correspondence relative to New Bronze Coin.
- (2.) Report of Commission appointed to inquire into the method of Testing Marine Steam-Boilers in use.
- (3.) Statement showing the Expenses incurred in the Reception, &c., of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh.
- (4.) Despatches respecting Sydney Branch Royal Mint, dated respectively 20 May and 29 May, 1868.
- (5.) General Abstracts of Bank Liabilities and Assets, for Quarters ended 31 March, and 30 June, 1868, respectively.
- (6.) Trust Moneys Deposit Account (from 1 April, 1867, to 31 March, 1868).
- (7.) Abstracts of the Public Accounts of the Colony of New South Wales, for the year 1867.
- Ordered to be printed. (3.)

- (3.) Mr. Martin laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
- (1.) Despatch respecting Gift of Books by the Queen.
 - (2.) Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh. (Despatch in reply to Address from Gunning.)
 - (3.) Return to Address, in reference to "Mr. Thomas Scott, Sugar Cultivation," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Dr. Lang, on 24 April, 1868.
 - (4.) Despatch relative to Leave of Absence to Governors of Australian Colonies. Ordered to be printed.
4. Adjournment:—Mr. Martin, referring to the Vote arrived at on Division yesterday, moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Tuesday next. Question put and passed. Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at twelve minutes before Four o'clock, until *Tuesday next*, at *Three o'clock*.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20.

MEMO:—*The House meet at Three o'clock this day.*

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10. MR. FORSTER *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measure for the amendment of the "Treason Felony Act" of last Session; and, in particular, for the repeal or amendment of those provisions in which the said Act differs from the Imperial Act, 11 Victoria, chapter 12, recommended for adoption by the Legislature of this Colony, by the Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 11, 1867, and laid upon the Table of this House on February 25, this year?
11. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Have the Government taken into consideration the advisability of constructing a line of Railway from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?
 - (2.) Have any steps been taken to ascertain the distance, and the best practicable route from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?

12. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
- (1.) What amount has been received for traffic on the Southern Line of Railway during the quarter ending 30th September, 1868?
 - (2.) What amount has been received on the Western Railway during the same period?
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 9. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Information, Depositions, and all other Documents,—including the Correspondence between Mr. Giles, Police Magistrate of Deniliquin, and the Sheriff,—in reference to the complaint which led to the dismissal, in December last, of Warder M'Grath, from the gaol of that place.

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11. MR. LORD to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, with as little delay as possible, Copies of all Papers and Correspondence which the Government have received, as well as Copies of all Communications forwarded by the Government to other persons, relative to the charges made against Mr. William Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes.
12. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for dispatch of Business at Three o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.
13. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.
14. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
15. MR. MARTIN to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
16. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
17. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
18. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
19. MR. MARTIN to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 - (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
20. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
21. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
22. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—the Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Burns, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of 6th August, 1862.
23. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to

- to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
24. MR. MARTIN to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
 25. MR. MARTIN to move, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
 26. MR. SAMUEL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between Mr. William Wilkins and the Immigration Agent, together with other Correspondence and Papers relating to the detention of the effects of Mary Biggs, an immigrant per ship "Devonport," who died at the Quarantine Station.
 27. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable Gates to be erected across Roads in certain cases.
 28. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Dams and other Reservoirs for the preservation of water.
 29. MR. WILSON to move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to Amend the Land Laws.
 30. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.
 31. MR. GARNETT to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.
 32. MR. GARNETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
 33. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of George M'Leod for compensation for an illegal seizure, made by the late Special Constable Carroll and his assistants, at the stores, in Braidwood, of the said George M'Leod, of ale, wine, rum, brandy, whiskey, and other liquids, and also of baskets, spirit measures, and other goods.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. De Salis, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
 - (3.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of last Session, on the same subject, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of evidence taken before, and Papers referred to, that Committee, be now referred to this Committee.
 34. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the reason of the removal of Mr. Rowland Hassall from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
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 35. MR. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River, and called the Cook's River Road, to expend a portion of the trust funds in Lighting the said Road.
 36. MR. FORSTER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to divide the Electoral District of The Hastings.
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 38. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEE to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, landholders, to grant leases of lands for mining purposes.
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TUESDAY

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New South Wales.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Martin stated that, in consequence of the Vote arrived at by this House on Wednesday last, in reference to the Address in reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, he had advised the Governor to Dissolve the Legislative Assembly; but, His Excellency having declined to accede to such advice, he and his colleagues had tendered to His Excellency the Resignation of their respective Offices in the Administration of the Government, and now continued to hold those offices only until their successors should be appointed.

Mr. Martin then moved, That this House do now adjourn until Three o'clock on Thursday next.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at twelve minutes before Four o'clock, until Three o'clock on *Thursday* next.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22.

MEMO:—*The House meet at Three o'clock this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS.

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New South Wales.

No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.

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Question put and passed.

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 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of George M'Leod for compensation for an illegal seizure, made by the late Special Constable Carroll and his assistants, at the stores, in Braidwood, of the said George M'Leod, of ale, wine, rum, brandy, whiskey, and other liquids, and also of baskets, spirit measures, and other goods.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. De Salis, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
 (3.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of last Session, on the same subject, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of evidence taken before, and Papers referred to, that Committee, be now referred to this Committee.
36. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the reason of the removal of Mr. Rowland Hassall from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.



New South Wales.

No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 27 OCTOBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—
 (1.) *Maturity of Warrant Reported*:—The Speaker reported that his Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session,—laid upon the Table on Tuesday, 13th October, 1868, not having been disapproved by the Assembly in the course of the three next sitting days on which the Assembly met for the despatch of business,—had now taken effect as an appointment of such Committee; and intimated that it was therefore open to Members of the Committee to be sworn at the Table by the Clerk, in accordance with the 70th section of the Electoral Act of 1858.
 (2.) *Members of Committee Sworn*:—Whereupon, William Macleay, Thomas Garrett, James Hart, Hugh Gordon, and Stephen Campbell Brown, Esquires, came to the Table, and were severally sworn by the Clerk, as Members of the said Committee.
2. Acceptance of Office:—The Speaker announced to the House the receipt by the Clerk of the following letter, addressed to that Officer by the Under Secretary of the Colonial Secretary's Department:—
 " Colonial Secretary's Office,
 " Sydney, 27 October, 1868.
 " Sir,
 " I am directed by the Colonial Secretary to intimate to you, for the information of the Speaker, that the undermentioned gentlemen, Members of the Legislative Assembly, have accepted the Offices mentioned in connection with their respective names, viz. :—
 " John Robertson, Esquire, Colonial Secretary and Registrar of Records of New South Wales;
 " Saul Samuel, Esquire, Colonial Treasurer and Collector of Internal Revenue of New South Wales;
 " Joshua Frey Josephson, Esquire, Solicitor General of New South Wales;
 " William Forster, Esquire, Secretary for Lands;
 " John Sutherland, Esquire, Secretary for Public Works; and
 " Daniel Egan, Esquire, Postmaster General.
 " I have the honor to be,
 " Sir,
 " Your most obedient servant,
 " HENRY HALLORAN."
 " The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly."
3. Vacant Seats:—Mr. S. Brown then moved, consecutively:—
 (1.) That the Seat of John Robertson, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Colonial Secretary since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of The Clarence.
 Question put and passed.
 (2.) That the Seat of Saul Samuel, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Colonial Treasurer since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Wellington.
 Question put and passed. (3.)

(3.) That the Seat of William Forster, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Secretary for Lands since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of The Hastings.

Question put and passed.

(4.) That the Seat of John Sutherland, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Secretary for Public Works since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington.

Question put and passed.

(5.) That the Seat of Joshua Frey Josephson, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Solicitor General since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Braidwood.

Question put and passed.

(6.) That the Seat of Daniel Egan, Esquire, hath become and is now vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Postmaster General since his Election and Return to serve in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Eden.

Question put and passed.

4. Adjournment:—Mr. S. Brown then moved, That this House do now adjourn until *Three o'clock on Tuesday, the eighth day of December next.*

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at three minutes before Four o'clock, until *Three o'clock on Tuesday, the eighth day of December next.*

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8.

MEMO:—*The House meet at Three o'clock this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8.

Questions:—

1. MR. TUNKS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the Return be furnished having reference to applications to purchase and reclaim land under the 9th and 12th clauses of the Crown Lands Alienation Act, ordered by this House on the 5th November last, and which Return was promised to be prepared within a fortnight or so, on the 25th March last?
2. MR. THORNTON *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—What has been done in the matter of the Memorial forwarded in April last, from the Inhabitants of Forbes, praying for the removal of the Police Magistrate, Mr. Farrand?
3. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Is the Contractor for the Conveyance of the Mail between Rockley and the Swallow's Nest bound to deliver such Mail within any specified time, and if so, what time is allowed between such places?
 - (2.) Is the Contractor bound to travel along any particular line of road?
4. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is he aware that the Court House at Rockley has not been furnished?
 - (2.) Is it intended to supply such Court House with any furniture, and if so, when?
5. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has any road leading from Rockley to the Swallow's Nest been surveyed by the authority of the Government?
 - (2.) Has such road been proclaimed?
 - (3.) Have any applications been made to the Secretary for Lands to proclaim and open such road?
 - (4.) What is the cause of the delay in opening the said road?
 - (5.) Is it intended to open the said road, and if so, when?

6. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has the attention of the Government been called to the state of the road leading from Bathurst through Evans' Plains?
 - (2.) Is it intended to repair the whole of such road?
7. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE PREMIER,—Have any Members of the House been employed by the Government, in any office of the Government in any capacity during the recess; and if any, the names and amount paid, or agreed to be paid, to them respectively?
8. MR. ECKFORD *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—What were the reasons upon which the Attorney General refused to sanction the By-laws agreed to by the Municipality of West Maitland, and submitted to him in September last?
9. MR. FORSTER *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measure for the amendment of the Superannuation Act?
10. MR. FORSTER *to ask* THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, any measure for the amendment of the "Treason Felony Act" of last Session; and, in particular, for the repeal or amendment of those provisions in which the said Act differs from the Imperial Act, 11 Victoria, chapter 12, recommended for adoption by the Legislature of this Colony, by the Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated December 11, 1867, and laid upon the Table of this House on February 25, this year?
11. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Have the Government taken into consideration the advisability of constructing a line of Railway from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?
 - (2.) Have any steps been taken to ascertain the distance, and the best practicable route from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway?
12. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount has been received for traffic on the Southern Line of Railway during the quarter ending 30th September, 1868?
 - (2.) What amount has been received on the Western Railway during the same period?
 - (3.) What amount has been received on the Northern Railway during the same period?

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MORRICE *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
2. DR. LANG *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the duration of all future Parliaments to three years.
3. MR. LEE *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift of West Maitland, landholders, to grant leases of lands for mining purposes.
4. MR. THORNTON *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Game Protection Act.
5. MR. THORNTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of N. S. W. Debentures which have been sold since the accession to office of the present Honorable Minister for Finance, up to 31st December, 1867, detailing price sold for—
 - (2.) Charges (in detail) thereon—of every nature; and net proceeds of each sale.
 - (3.) Totals—gross sales, £
 - (4.) Net proceeds, £
 - (5.) Balance, £
6. MR. THORNTON *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the number of blankets issued for the use of the Aborigines of this Colony, for the years 1864-5-6-7 and 1868; distinguishing each district, and also giving detail, and name, of each aborigine to whom a blanket has been supplied during the said years—for the districts of Sydney, Liverpool, Parramatta, Newcastle, Wollongong, Kiama, and Shoalhaven.
7. MR. THORNTON *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Steam Navigation Act.
8. MR. SAMUEL *to move*, That this House, having taken into consideration the circumstances connected with the recent seizure of a case of goods, imported by Mr. Ebenezer Way, is of opinion,—
 - (1.) That the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, in ordering the case of goods which had been duly seized and condemned for a breach of the Customs Laws, to be given up, and afterwards to be valued for ad valorem duty at £55, when they had been entered by the importer at a declared value of £30—the invoice value having been ascertained to be £58—acted in violation of law, and in a manner calculated to endanger the Public Revenue.
 - (2.) That this House, having taken into consideration the circumstances connected with the dismissal of Mr. W. A. Duncan from the office of Collector of Customs, is of opinion that he ought not to have been dismissed, and that the course pursued by the Government was not only harsh, but unjust, to an officer who had so long and zealously served the public.

- (3.) That this House is of opinion that the appointment of the present Collector of Customs, at a reduced salary, is mistaken economy, and meets with the disapproval of this House.
- (4.) That the foregoing resolutions be presented, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor.
9. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor.
10. MR. FORSTER to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Expenditure caused by, or arising out of, the Public Reception and Entertainment of the Duke of Edinburgh in this Colony, in or about the months of February and March, 1868, specifying in each case the special purpose and the person or persons to whom the expenditure was entrusted, and the date and amount; and particularly with reference to—
- (1.) The reception of H.R.H. at and on the day of landing.
 - (2.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, under the supervision of the Government.
 - (3.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, under the supervision of the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (4.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations at Government House.
 - (5.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, out of Sydney.
 - (6.) Sums of money or cash credits authorized for, or on account of, any person or persons.
 - (7.) Special trains or extra carriages on the railway lines.
 - (8.) Ministerial entertainments.
11. MR. DRIVER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, refusing permission to the Hon. Geoffrey Eagar and the Hon. J. B. Wilson to assume the title of "Honorable" when they retire from office; and Copy of any Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies refusing permission to the same Ministers to wear their official uniform on their retirement from office.
12. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Information, Depositions, and all other Documents,—including the Correspondence between Mr. Giles, Police Magistrate of Deniliquin, and the Sheriff,—in reference to the complaint which led to the dismissal, in December last, of Warder M'Grath, from the gaol of that place.
13. MR. THORNTON to move, That Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, Papers, Evidence, and Proceedings of any and every nature and kind soever, arising out of and relating to the suspension and dismissal of W. A. Duncan, Esq., late Collector of Customs of the Port of Sydney, be laid on the Table of this House, and as early as practicable.
14. MR. LORD to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, with as little delay as possible, Copies of all Papers and Correspondence which the Government have received, as well as Copies of all Communications forwarded by the Government to other persons, relative to the charges made against Mr. William Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes.
15. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for dispatch of Business at Three o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.
16. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.
17. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
18. MR. MARTIN to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
- (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.

19. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
20. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
21. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
22. MR. MARTIN to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session :—
 (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
23. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
24. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
25. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—the Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Burns, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of 6th August, 1862.
26. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
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New South Wales.

No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Writs of Election:—The Speaker reported as follows:—

- (1.) That, pursuant to Resolutions of this House, passed on the 27th October last, he had issued Writs for supplying Vacancies in the Assembly, as follows:—

(1.) In the room of John Robertson, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Clarence had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Colonial Secretary.

(2.) In the room of Saul Samuel, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wellington had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Colonial Treasurer.

(3.) In the room of William Forster, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Hastings had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Secretary for Lands.

(4.) In the room of John Sutherland, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Secretary for Public Works.

(5.) In the room of Joshua Frey Josephson, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Braidwood had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Solicitor General.

(6.) In the room of Daniel Egan, Esquire, whose Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Eden had been declared vacant, by reason of his acceptance of the Office of Postmaster General;—

And that the said Writs had been duly returned to him with Certificates endorsed thereon of the re-election of the whole of the said gentlemen as Members for the said Electorates, their Seats for which they had so vacated.

- (2.) That, in pursuance of the direction of the Electoral Act of 1858, he had issued Writs for the Election of Members in the room of Members who had resigned their Seats by letters addressed to him during the late adjournment (being an adjournment for a longer period than seven days), viz. :—

(1.) For Central Cumberland, in the room of Allan Macpherson, Esquire.

(2.) For West Sydney, in the room of Samuel A. Joseph, Esquire.

2. Members Sworn:—

(1.) The Honorable John Robertson, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Clarence.

(2.) The Honorable Saul Samuel, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wellington.

(3.) The Honorable William Forster, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of The Hastings.

(4.) The Honorable John Sutherland, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Paddington.

(5.) The Honorable Daniel Egan, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Eden.

3. Presentation of Books by Her Majesty :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker :—

BELMORE,

Message No. 1.

Governor.

The Earl of Belmore has the honor, by command of Her Majesty the Queen, to present the accompanying Copies of "The Early Years of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort," and "Leaves from the Journal of Our Life in the Highlands,"—each bearing Her Majesty's autograph signature,—to the Legislative Assembly; and to state that it is the desire of the Queen that these Books should be placed in the Parliamentary Library, both as tokens of the interest with which Her Majesty regards the development of institutions which tend to the spread of knowledge and intelligence in Her Colonial Possessions, and because she believes that these records of the earlier days of their Sovereign and the late Prince Consort will not fail to be valued by Her Majesty's subjects in New South Wales.

Government House,

Sydney, 8th December, 1868.

4. Ministerial Statement:—Mr. Robertson addressed to the House a Statement in reference to the New Administration.
5. Papers:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
- (1.) Correspondence respecting proposed Conference on the subject of Free Trade between Australian Colonies and New Zealand.
 - (2.) Correspondence respecting proposed Erection of Light House on the Snares, Foveaux Straits.
 - (3.) Despatch from Secretary of State (dated 9 September, 1868), respecting Medical Practitioners in the Colonies.
 - (4.) Despatch from Secretary of State (dated 5 January, 1868), respecting Federal Council of the Australasian Colonies.
 - (5.) Correspondence respecting Emigration to San Francisco.
 - (6.) Despatch from Secretary of State (dated 25 June, 1868), enclosing Commission to Governor, authorizing leasing, &c., of deposits of Guano.
 - (7.) Despatch from Secretary of State (dated 18 February, 1868), respecting the wearing of the Uniform of Executive Councillors, by Mr. Martin, Mr. Eagar, and Mr. Wilson, when out of Office.
 - (8.) Despatch from Secretary of State (dated 18 January, 1868), respecting the retention of the Title of "Honorable" by Mr. Eagar and Mr. John Bowic Wilson, after ceasing to be Members of the Executive Council.
 - (9.) Letter from Inspector General of Police (dated 4 November, 1868), with Return shewing the distribution of the Police Force on the 30th September, 1868.
 - (10.) Sydney Grammar School. (Report for 1867.)
 - (11.) Progress Report (dated 12 October, 1868) from Inspector of Public Charities, respecting certain Public Charitable Institutions. (Presented pursuant to Act 30 Vict., No. 19.)
 - (12.) Australian Museum. (Report from Trustees for 1867.)
 - (13.) Vital Statistics. (Twelfth Annual Report from Registrar General.)
 - (14.) Report on Lunatic Asylums, by Fredc. Norton Manning, M.D.
- Ordered to be printed.
6. The Hastings Electorate:—Mr. Forster presented a Petition from certain Inhabitants of The Hastings Electorate, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, an Act may be passed, prior to the next General Election, dividing the said Electorate into two or more Electoral Districts, to each of which one Member of Parliament may be assigned.
- Petition received.
7. Papers:—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
- (1.) Report of Board of Audit of Public Accounts, dated 29 October, 1868.
 - (2.) General Abstract of Returns of Bank Liabilities and Assets, for Quarter ended 30 September, 1868.
- Ordered to be printed.
8. Claims to Water Frontage to Pymont Bay:—Dr. Lang presented a Petition from certain Owners of property, having water frontage to Pymont Bay, praying for leave to be heard at the Bar of this House, by counsel learned in the law, in reference to a certain Report of a Select Committee in the case and on the Claim of Mr. Thomas Smith.
- Petition received.
9. Mr. Thomas Dangar:—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from Thomas Dangar, of St. Leonards, a Magistrate for the Colony of Queensland, and a Commissioner of the Honorable the Supreme Court of New South Wales, praying enquiry into the circumstances of his recent dismissal from the Commission of the Peace in this Colony, and relief in the premises.
- Petition received.
- The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-three minutes after Four o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. **MR. THORNTON** to move, That this House, having taken into consideration the circumstances connected with the Dismissal of Mr. Duncan from the office of Collector of Customs, is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the apology tendered by Mr. Duncan for his insubordinate conduct and disrespectful language towards the Head of his Department, ought to have been accepted, in consideration of Mr. Duncan's long services, and particularly of his having been right upon the merits of the case, and having taken the course he did in defence of the public interest.
 - (2.) That, for the above reasons the case ought to be re-opened, and Mr. Duncan's apology accepted by the present Government.
 - (3.) That, consequently, the decision of the late Government in the matter ought to be reversed, so as to restore Mr. Duncan and other parties affected to their original positions.
 - (4.) That any claims on behalf of Messrs. Berney and Jones, which may arise out of the course thus recommended, are entitled to favourable consideration.
 - (5.) That an Address, embodying the foregoing Resolutions, be presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. **MR. PARKES** to move,—
 - (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
3. **MR. DRIVER** to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of the Information, Depositions, and other proceedings, in the case of Frederick Beer against Michael George Brown for perjury, heard at the Central Police Court, Sydney, on the 29th day of November, 1867, and the 4th, 10th, and 16th days of December last. Together with Copies of all Letters written by William Hellyer, the attorney of the said Frederick Beer, to and all correspondence between William Hellyer, and the Honorable the Attorney General, with reference to the said depositions and case.
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7. **MR. MORRICE** to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
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13. MR. THORNTON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Steam Navigation Act.
14. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House, having taken into consideration the circumstances connected with the recent seizure of a case of goods, imported by Mr. Ebenezer Way, is of opinion,—
- (1.) That the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, in ordering the case of goods which had been duly seized and condemned for a breach of the Customs Laws, to be given up, and afterwards to be valued for ad valorem duty at £55, when they had been entered by the importer at a declared value of £30—the invoice value having been ascertained to be £58—acted in violation of law, and in a manner calculated to endanger the Public Revenue.
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 - (3.) That this House is of opinion that the appointment of the present Collector of Customs, at a reduced salary, is mistaken economy, and meets with the disapproval of this House.
 - (4.) That the foregoing resolutions be presented, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor.
15. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the “Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith,” ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor.
16. MR. FORSTER to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Expenditure caused by, or arising out of, the Public Reception and Entertainment of the Duke of Edinburgh in this Colony, in or about the months of February and March, 1868, specifying in each case the special purpose and the person or persons to whom the expenditure was entrusted, and the date and amount; and particularly with reference to—
- (1.) The reception of H.R.H. at and on the day of landing.
 - (2.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, under the supervision of the Government.
 - (3.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, under the supervision of the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (4.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations at Government House.
 - (5.) Entertainments, buildings, and decorations, out of Sydney.
 - (6.) Sums of money or cash credits authorized for, or on account of, any person or persons.
 - (7.) Special trains or extra carriages on the railway lines.
 - (8.) Ministerial entertainments.
17. MR. DRIVER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, refusing permission to the Hon. Geoffrey Eagar and the Hon. J. B. Wilson to assume the title of “Honorable” when they retire from office; and Copy of any Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies refusing permission to the same Ministers to wear their official uniform on their retirement from office.
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19. MR. THORNTON to move, That Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, Papers, Evidence, and Proceedings of any and every nature and kind soever, arising out of and relating to the suspension and dismissal of W. A. Duncan, Esq., late Collector of Customs of the Port of Sydney, be laid on the Table of this House, and as early as practicable.
20. MR. LORD to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, with as little delay as possible, Copies of all Papers and Correspondence which the Government have received, as well as Copies of all Communications forwarded by the Government to other persons, relative to the charges made against Mr. William Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes.
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22. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.
23. MR. MARTIN to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
24. MR. MARTIN to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
- (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—“Whether there is any objection to its being a ‘Formal’ Motion or Order of the Day?”—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a “Formal” Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.)

- (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
- (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
- (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
25. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
26. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
27. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
28. MR. MARTIN to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session :—
- (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
- (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
29. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
30. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
31. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—the Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Burns, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of 6th August, 1862.
32. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
33. MR. MARTIN to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egau, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
34. MR. MARTIN to move, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
35. MR. SAMUEL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all Correspondence between Mr. William Wilkins and the Immigration Agent, together with other Correspondence and Papers relating to the detention of the effects of Mary Biggs, an immigrant per ship "Devonport," who died at the Quarantine Station.
36. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable Gates to be erected across Roads in certain cases.
37. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Dams and other Reservoirs for the preservation of water.
38. MR. WILSON to move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to Amend the Land Laws.
39. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.

40. MR. GARBETT to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.
41. MR. GARBETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
42. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of George M'Leod for compensation for an illegal seizure, made by the late Special Constable Carroll and his assistants, at the stores, in Braidwood, of the said George M'Leod, of ale, wine, rum, brandy, whiskey, and other liquids, and also of baskets, spirit measures, and other goods.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. De Salis, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tuaks, and the Mover.
 (3.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of last Session, on the same subject, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of evidence taken before, and Papers referred to, that Committee, be now referred to this Committee.
43. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the reason of the removal of Mr. Rowland Hassall from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Neale, Mr. Egan, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Lord, and the Mover.
44. MR. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River, and called the Cook's River Road, to expend a portion of the trust funds in Lighting the said Road.
45. MR. FORSTER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to divide the Electoral District of The Hastings.
46. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Rights and Liabilities of Common Carriers.
47. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.
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New South Wales.

No. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 9 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Member Sworn:—The Honorable Joshua Frey Josephson, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Braidwood.
2. Estimates of Expenditure for 1869, and Supplementary Estimates for 1868 and previous years:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE, *Message No. 2.*
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, the accompanying Estimates of the Expenditure of this Government for the year 1869, with Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1868 and previous years.

*Government House,
Sydney, 8th December, 1868.*

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates.
3. Papers:—
 - (1.) Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Despatch from Secretary of State, dated 7 January, 1868, respecting Differential Duties, &c.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Road Trust Accounts for the Half-year ending 30 June, 1868.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Railway Trial Survey between Bathurst and Orange:—Mr. McKay presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of the Town and District of Orange, and its neighbourhood, praying that steps may be taken for the promotion and immediate prosecution of a Railway Trial Survey between Bathurst and Orange, and the West.
Petition received.
5. Papers:—
 - (1.) Mr. Josephson laid upon the Table the undermentioned papers:—
 - (1.) Rules of Supreme Court, dated 4 December, 1867; 27 December, 1867; 5 March, 1868; and 18 November, 1868.
 - (2.) Returns under 103rd Section of District Courts Act of 1858.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Further Correspondence respecting Removal of W. A. Duncan, Esq., from the office of Collector of Customs
Ordered to be printed.

6. Robert Taylor (Free selector):—Mr. Thornton presented a Petition from Robert Taylor, Free selector, Gilmore Creek, County of Wynyard, District of Murrumbidgee, setting forth certain hardships and inconveniences alleged to have been sustained by him in settling on his Free selection of land in the said District; and praying for investigation into the circumstances of the case, and permission to complete the purchase of his selection.
Petition received.
7. Motions Withdrawn:—
(1.) Mr. Forster withdrew the Motions Nos. 16 and 45, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
(2.) Mr. Thornton withdrew the Motion No. 1, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
8. Motion of Want of Confidence:—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor,—
Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. Walker, until To-morrow.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at seventeen minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, reports, confessions, affidavits, declarations, or documents of any kind in the possession of the Government, having reference to the Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, or to any circumstances arising out of, or connected with, that event.
2. MR. MCKAY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th December, from certain inhabitants of Orange, praying that a Trial Survey for a Railway may be made from Bathurst to Orange, be printed.
3. MR. HANNELL to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) Copies of all Correspondence between any Member of the Government and the Mayor, or other Officer of the Corporation of Newcastle, relating to Municipal affairs during the years 1867 and 1868; together with a Copy of all Minutes, and other Papers and Documents having reference to the same subject.
(2.) Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, Documents, and Petitions, &c., referring to the Special Audit of the Newcastle Municipal Accounts, conducted by Messrs. Buyers and McKenzie.
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25. MR. MARTIN to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the Motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
26. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
27. MR. MARTIN to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
28. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
29. MR. MARTIN to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 - (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
30. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the Answers returned to the same.
31. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
32. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Burns, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of 6th August, 1862.
33. MR. MARTIN to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Speaker, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.

34. MR. MARTIN to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
35. MR. MARTIN to move, That Robert Wisdom, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
36. MR. SAMUEL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. William Wilkins and the Immigration Agent, together with other Correspondence and Papers relating to the detention of the effects of Mary Biggs, an immigrant per ship "Devonport," who died at the Quarantine Station.
37. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable Gates to be erected across Roads in certain cases.
38. MR. WILSON to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Dams and other Reservoirs for the preservation of water.
39. MR. WILSON to move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to Amend the Land Laws.
40. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill, intituled, an Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.
41. MR. GARRETT to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.
42. MR. GARRETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
43. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to consider and report upon the claim of George McLeod for compensation for an illegal seizure, made by the late Special Constable Carroll and his assistants, at the stores, in Braidwood, of the said George McLeod, of ale, wine, rum, brandy, whiskey, and other liquids, and also of baskets, spirit measures, and other goods.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. De Salis, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Smart, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
- (3.) That the Progress Report from the Select Committee of last Session, on the same subject, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of Evidence taken before, and Papers referred to, that Committee, be now referred to this Committee.
44. MR. JOSEPHSON to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the reason of the removal of Mr. Rowland Hassall from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Burdick, Mr. Neale, Mr. Egan, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Lackey, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Lord, and the Mover.
45. MR. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River, and called the Cook's River Road, to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in Lighting the said Road.
46. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Rights and Liabilities of Common Carriers.
47. MR. WINDEYER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence:—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes:—
- (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
- (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11.

Question:—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Whether any, and, if any, what payments have been made by the Victorian Government on account of the Border Customs Treaty, and what amount was due under that Treaty and unpaid on the 1st instant?

NOTICE

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1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Petition lately presented by Messrs. Campbell, Windeyer, and Wisdom, to the Minister for Public Works, against the erection of Floodgates at Wallis Creek.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred to.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MR. MCKAY to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

New South Wales.

No. 8.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 10 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Presentation of Books by Her Majesty:—Mr. Robertson, *with the concurrence of the House*, moved (without notice), and Mr. Martin seconded the Motion,—
(1). That the following humble Address be presented to Her Majesty:—
To Her Most Gracious Majesty, VICTORIA, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—
WE, Your Majesty's loyal and faithful subjects, Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, desire respectfully to express our gratitude for the Gifts lately bestowed upon us by Your Gracious Majesty, in the shape of certain Books, entitled "The Early Years of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort," and "Leaves from the Journal of Our Life in the Highlands."
We cherish these Gifts, not only as marks of Your Majesty's Gracious favor and condescension towards us, but as personal memorials of Your Majesty's private life and opinions, which, we trust, will tend further to strengthen the affection and loyalty entertained for Your Majesty by all classes of Your Majesty's faithful subjects, and to endear the connection between the Colonies and the Mother Country.
(2.) That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased, at the earliest opportunity, to transmit the foregoing Address to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, for presentation to Her Majesty.
Question put, and passed unanimously.
2. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
3. Motions Withdrawn:—Mr. Martin withdrew the Motions Nos. 22 to 35, inclusive, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Road through purchased Land of Mr. Henry Price, on Auckland Village Reserve:—
Mr. Burdekin presented the undermentioned Petitions:—
(1.) From Henry Price, of the Auckland Reserve, near Singleton, farmer, praying for consideration and redress in reference to the opening of the said Road.
(2.) From certain residents in the districts of Singleton and Jerry's Plains, in support of the prayer of the said Petition of Henry Price.
Petitions received.
5. Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh:—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, reports, confessions, affidavits, declarations, or documents of any kind in the possession of the Government, having reference to the Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, or to any circumstances arising out of, or connected with, that event.
Debate ensued.
Motion made by Mr. J. Stewart, and Question,—That this Debate be now adjourned until this day week,—put and negatived (after Debate).
Main Question stated.
Debate continued.
Main Question put and passed.

6. Railway Trial Survey between Bathurst and Orange :—Mr. McKay moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th December, from certain inhabitants of Orange, praying that a Trial Survey for a Railway may be made from Bathurst to Orange, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Municipal Affairs, Newcastle :—Mr. Hannell moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) Copies of all Correspondence between any Member of the Government and the Mayor, or other Officer of the Corporation of Newcastle, relating to Municipal affairs during the years 1867 and 1868; together with a copy of all minutes, and other Papers and Documents having reference to the same subject.
(2.) Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, Documents, and Petitions, &c., referring to the Special Audit of the Newcastle Municipal Accounts, conducted by Messrs. Buyers and McKenzie.
Question put and passed.
8. Robert Taylor (Free Selector) :—Mr. Thornton moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition of Robert Taylor, presented by him on the 9th December, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
9. Motion Dropped :—Mr. Driver not making the Motion No. 5, on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
10. The Hastings Electorate :—Mr. Forster moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on 8th December, from certain Electors of The Hastings, praying for a division of the Electoral District, and additional representation, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
11. Motion Dropped :—Dr. Lang not making the Motion No. 7, on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
12. Mr. Thomas Dangar :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice,—That the Petition presented by him on the 8th December, from Mr. Thomas Dangar, relating to his removal from the Commission of the Peace, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
13. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Morrice withdrew the Motion No. 9, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
14. Motion Dropped :—Dr. Lang not making the Motion No. 10, on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
15. Motions Withdrawn :—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named :—
(1.) No. 11. By Mr. Lee.
(2.) Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15. By Mr. Thornton.
16. Motions Dropped :—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, not being moved by the Members in whose names they stand, dropped.
(1.) No. 16. Mr. Samuel.
(2.) No. 17. Mr. Tunks.
(3.) No. 18. Mr. Driver.
17. Dismissal of Warder M'Grath from Deniliquin Gaol :—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the information, depositions, and all other documents,—including the correspondence between Mr. Giles, Police Magistrate of Deniliquin, and the Sheriff,—in reference to the complaint which led to the dismissal, in December last, of Warder M'Grath, from the gaol of that place.
Question put and passed.
18. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Thornton withdrew the Motion No. 20, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
19. Mr. William Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes :—Mr. Lord moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, with as little delay as possible, copies of all papers and correspondence which the Government have received, as well as copies of all communications forwarded by the Government to other persons, relative to the charges made against Mr. William Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes.
Question put and passed.
20. Motions Withdrawn :—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named :—
(1.) No. 36. By Mr. Samuel.
(2.) Nos. 37, 38, 39. By Mr. Wilson.
(3.) No. 40. By Mr. Driver.
21. Motions Dropped :—Mr. Garrett not making the Motions Nos. 41 and 42, on the Notice Paper for to-day, they dropped.
22. Motions Withdrawn :—Mr. Josephson withdrew the Motions Nos. 43 and 44, on the Notice Paper for to-day.

23. Road Act Amendment Bill:—
 (1.) Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Trustees, for the time being, of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River, and called the Cook's River Road, to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in Lighting the said Road.
 Question put and passed.
 (2.) Mr. S. Brown having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to enable the Trustees for the time being of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River and called the Cook's River Road to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in Lighting the said Road*"—read a first time.
 Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
24. Common Carriers Bill:—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the Rights and Liabilities of Common Carriers.
 Question put and passed.
25. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.
 Question put and passed.
26. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Parkes:—
 (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
 Resumed and continued.
 Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. J. Stewart (after Debate), until To-morrow,—
the House concurring that it shall then take precedence of all other business.
 The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-nine minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence:—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Parkes:—
 (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
3. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for dispatch of Business at Three o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.
4. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.

5. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business ; and that, on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
6. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session :—
 - (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—" Whether there is any objection to its being a ' Formal ' Motion or Order of the Day ?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a " Formal " Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills ; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto ; and such " Formal " Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such " Formal " Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders ; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such " Formal " Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
7. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
8. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
9. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
10. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session :—
 - (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 - (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
11. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
12. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
13. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—the Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of the 6th August, 1862.
14. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
15. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Martin, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
16. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
17. MR. BURDEKIN to move, That the Petitions presented by him on 10th December be printed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Petition lately presented by Messrs. Campbell, Windeyer, and Wisdom, to the Minister for Public Works against the erection of Floodgates at Wallis Creek.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That certain Papers relating to the Attempt to Assassinate H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh in March last,—now in possession of Mr. Parkes, a member of this House,—be laid upon the Table and printed.
3. MR. LUCAS to move, for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of this City to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
4. MR. DIGNAM to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence and Papers in the possession of the Government, relative to the forfeiture, by Patrick Lawler, of 160 acres of land at Taralga, originally conditionally purchased by Miss Kerr, and by her transferred to the said Patrick Lawler.
5. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Road Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MR. MCKAY to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.



New South Wales.

No. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 11 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Martin moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and negatived.
2. Borough of Cook:—Mr. S. Brown presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Borough of Cook, under the signature of the Mayor, and the Municipal Seal, setting forth that that Borough sustains great loss of revenue from a particular limitation of its boundaries, and a certain exemption from taxation; and praying favourable consideration.
 Petition received.
3. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Parkes:—
 (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated, by Address, to His Excellency the Governor,—
 Resumed and continued.
 Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. Burdekin, (after Debate), until Tuesday next,—*then to take precedence of other business.*
 The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at half-past Eleven o'clock, until *Tuesday* next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Petition lately presented by Messrs. Campbell, Windeyer, and Wisdom, to the Minister for Public Works, against the erection of Floodgates at Wallis Creek.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That certain Papers relating to the Attempt to Assassinate H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh in March last,—now in possession of Mr. Parkes, a member of this House,—be laid upon the Table and printed.
3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of this City to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.

4. MR. DIGNAM to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence and Papers in the possession of the Government, relative to the forfeiture, by Patrick Lawler, of 160 acres of land at Taralga, originally conditionally purchased by Miss Kerr, and by her transferred to the said Patrick Lawler.
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6. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Report of Mr. Licensed Surveyor Maitland on the proposed proclamation of Windermere Ford.
7. MR. MACLEAY to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination,—alleged, by a former Colonial Secretary, to have subsisted in this country; and to receive all evidence that may be tendered, or obtained, concerning a murder,—alleged, by the same person, to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators,—the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Forster, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Eagar, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. J. Stewart, and the Mover.
8. DR. LANG to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 8th December, from certain Proprietors of water frontage at Pyrmont, on the subject of the Report of a Select Committee in the case and on the claim of Mr. Thomas Smith, be printed, and that the prayer of the said Petition be granted.
9. DR. LANG to move for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the duration of all future Parliaments to three years.
10. MR. S. BROWN to move, That the Petition presented by him on 11th December, from the Municipality of Cook, be printed.
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 - (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
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15. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business; and that, on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
16. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That it shall be a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
 - (1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
 - (2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
 - (3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
 - (4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.

17. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
18. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
19. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
20. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session :—
 - (1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
 - (2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
21. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
22. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
23. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—the Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of the 6th August, 1862.
24. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz. :—The Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
25. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Martin, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
26. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.
27. MR. BURDEKIN to move, That the Petitions presented by him on 10th December be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence :—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes :—
 - (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Road Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MR. MCKAY to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.

THURSDAY,

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
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New South Wales.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Erection of Floodgates at Wallis Creek:—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Petition lately presented by Messrs. Campbell, Windeyer, and Wisdom, to the Minister for Public Works, against the erection of Floodgates at Wallis Creek.
Question put and passed.
2. Motions Dropped:—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, not being made by the Members in whose names they respectively stand, dropped:—
 - (1.) No. 2. Mr. Parkes.
 - (2.) No. 3. Mr. Lucas.
 - (3.) No. 4. Mr. Dignam.
 - (4.) No. 5. Mr. Driver.
3. Windermere Ford:—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Report of Mr. Licensed Surveyor Maitland on the proposed proclamation of Windermere Ford.
Question put and passed.
4. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination:—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination,—alleged, by a former Colonial Secretary, to have subsisted in this country; and to receive all evidence that may be tendered, or obtained, concerning a murder,—alleged, by the same person, to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators,—the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Forster, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Eagar, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. J. Stewart, and the Mover.
 Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
5. Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—William Richman Piddington and William Charles Windeyer, Esquires, came to the Table, and were sworn by the Clerk as Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.
6. Papers:—
 - (1.) Mr. Parkes laid upon the Table, printed "Copies of Papers relating to the crime of the late prisoner Henry James O'Farrell, in attempting to assassinate "H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh."
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Parkes, to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
 - (1.) Correspondence (including legal opinion) respecting "Papers relating to O'Farrell's case, and to an alleged Fenian Conspiracy," in possession of Mr. Parkes, late Colonial Secretary.
 - (2.) Correspondence respecting Charles Miller,—*alias* Meyers, *alias* Thomas Smith, *alias* Holmer,—transferred from Darlinghurst to Parramatta Gaol, and thence discharged.
 - (3.) Letter from Inspector General of Police, dated 14 January, 1868, respecting appointment of Special Constables, for maintenance of order, at the approaching reception of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, and marked "Appd., Colonial Treasurer. Sd. H. P.—21/1/68."

- (4.) Letter from Inspector General of Police, dated 28 January, 1868, submitting account for special expenses incurred by his department in connection with the reception of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, and marked "Appd., H. P.—3/2/68." Ordered to be printed.
7. Claims to Water-frontage to Pymont Bay :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th December, from certain Proprietors of water frontage at Pymont, on the subject of the Report of a Select Committee in the case and on the claim of Mr. Thomas Smith, be printed. Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
8. Triennial Parliaments Bill :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit the duration of all future Parliaments to three years.
Question put and passed.
9. Borough of Cook :—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on 11th December, from the Municipality of Cook, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
10. Motions Withdrawn :—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named :—
(1.) No. 11. By Mr. Wisdom.
(2.) No. 12. By Mr. Parkes.
11. Business Days (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for dispatch of Business at Three o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week.
Question put and passed.
12. Days for precedence of Government Business (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That on Wednesday and Thursday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business shall take precedence of all other Business.
Question put and passed.
13. Days for precedence of Private Business, and relative precedence of Private Orders (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That on Tuesday and Friday in each week, unless otherwise ordered, Private Business shall take precedence of Government Business ; and that, on Fridays, Private Orders of the Day shall take precedence of Motions.
Question put and passed.
14. Triennial Parliaments Bill :—Dr. Lang having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to limit the duration of all future Parliaments to three years,"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
15. Papers :—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table the undermentioned papers :—
(1.) Regulations, dated 20 October, 1868, for carrying into effect the Oyster Beds Act of 1868.
(2.) Abstract of all Sites for Cities, Towns, and Villages, declared under the 4th Section of the Act 25 Vict. No. 1, during the period from 21st April, 1868, to 10th December, 1868.
Ordered to be printed.
16. Formal Motions and Orders of the Day (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That every Motion or Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill, to which, on the Question being put from the Chair—"Whether there is any objection to its being a 'Formal' Motion or Order of the Day?"—no objection shall be taken, shall be deemed to be a "Formal" Motion or Order of the Day.
(2.) That before the Ordinary Business of each day shall be entered upon, the Speaker shall call over the various Notices of Motions, and Orders of the Day for third reading of Bills ; and on any such Motion or Order being called, it shall be competent for the Member, otherwise entitled to move it, to have the above question put with reference thereto ; and such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day shall be disposed of in the relative order in which they stand on the Business Paper, taking precedence of all the other Motions and Orders of the Day.
(3.) That no debate shall be allowed upon any of such "Formal" Motions or Orders of the Day, or upon the further proceedings consequent on the reading of such Orders ; but the House may proceed to division thereupon, without amendment or debate, as in the case of the motion for the first reading of a Bill.
(4.) That in consequence of any such "Formal" Orders of the Day having been disposed of as aforesaid, it shall not be held that the House has proceeded to the Orders of the Day upon the Business Paper, so as to exclude thereafter the presentation of Petitions, or the reception of Notices of Motions.
Question put and passed.
17. Resumption of Committee of Supply (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Supply shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
Question put and passed.
18. Resumption of Committee of Ways and Means (*Sessional Order*) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means shall stand an Order of the Day, as, of course, on each day on which Government Business shall have precedence.
Question put and passed.

19. Transmission of Messages between the two Houses (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Order respecting the transmission of Messages, agreed to by the two Houses during the Session of 1856-7, shall stand as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session.
Question put and passed.
20. Balloting for Select Committees (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the following Rules shall be observed as a Sessional Order of this House for the present Session:—
(1.) Members balloting for a Select Committee shall place the Balloting Papers, after completion, in the hands of the Clerk of the House (or in his absence the Officer acting in his stead), giving time for him to note one paper (as hereinafter mentioned) before another is presented.
(2.) The Clerk shall have before him a complete printed list of the Members of the House, and on the presentation of any Balloting Paper, shall place his initials against the entry in such list of the name of the Member presenting such Balloting Paper, and the Clerk shall place such list, so initialled, on record, with the other proceedings of the Ballot.
Question put and passed.
21. Entry of Questions and Answers on Votes (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Clerk of the House shall enter upon the Minutes of the Votes and Proceedings the Questions of which formal notice shall have been given, put to the Members representing the Government in this House, and the answers returned to the same.
Question put and passed.
22. Vote of Chairman of Select Committee on Private Bill (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Chairman of a Select Committee on a Private Bill shall be entitled to vote on all questions in the same way as other Members of such Committee, and in case of an equality of votes, exercise a second or casting vote.
Question put and passed.
23. Library Committee (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Library Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—the Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Cunneen, Dr. Lang, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Windeyer, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's Resolution of the 6th August, 1862.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
24. Standing Orders Committee (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session shall consist of the following Members, viz.:—The Speaker, Mr. Martin, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Smart, Mr. Wisdom, Mr. Piddington, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority and power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to examine witnesses, and to report, in any matter or thing referred to, or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed.
25. Refreshment Room Committee (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That a Refreshment Room Committee be appointed for the present Session, to consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Macleay, Mr. Lord, Mr. Egan, Mr. Martin, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover, with leave to sit during any adjournment, and authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed.
26. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Robertson withdrew the Motion No. 26, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
27. Road through purchased Land of Mr. Henry Price, on Auckland Village Reserve:—Mr. Burdekin moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petitions presented by him on 10th December be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
28. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Parkes:—
(1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
Resumed and continued.
Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. R. Stewart, until to-morrow.
- The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at ten minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Question :—

1. MR. TIGHE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Have the Government received a Petition, numerously signed by inhabitants of Newcastle, praying for a remission of sentence in the case of Dominic Rogers,—a boy fifteen years old, who, on Saturday, 5th instant, was brought before the Bench of Magistrates at Newcastle, upon a charge of indecent conduct, sentenced to six months imprisonment in Maitland Gaol, and recommended to be sent—upon the expiration of such sentence—to a Reformatory, for a further period of twelve months?
 - (2.) Was the offence attended by any aggravating circumstances, in addition to the misconduct of bathing on the breaker beach, when females were present?
 - (3.) Was the boy above-named ever previously brought before a Court upon a charge of any kind, and is it intended to restore him to his parents, by remitting the remaining portion of his sentence? If so, when will it be done?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. MCKAY to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.
2. MR. J. SUTTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, showing the amount of Money paid from the Public Revenue to Ministers of the Crown for Travelling and other Expenses, since the inauguration of Responsible Government in 1856,—
 - (1.) Specifying the name, and amount paid to each Minister.
 - (2.) The name of Treasurer holding Office when such payments were made.
3. MR. MARTIN to move, That John Fitzgerald Burus, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence :—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes :—
 - (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Road Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

2. **MR. PARKES** to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
- (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
3. **MR. LUCAS** to move for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River, and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
4. **MR. TUNKS** to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. ROBERTSON** to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the remainder of the present Session.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WISDOM** to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.



New South Wales.

No. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 16 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Return of Writ:—The Speaker reported that the Writ issued by him during the late adjournment for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of West Sydney, in room of Samuel A. Joseph, Esquire, had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon of the election of William Robert Campbell to serve as such Member.
2. Member Sworn:—William Robert Campbell, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of West Sydney.
3. Paper:—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Report from Charles Moore, Esq., Botanic Gardens, Sydney, dated 12 December, 1868, relative to the Disease in Grape Vines called "Oidium Tuckeri."
 Ordered to be printed.
4. Question on Notice Paper for to-day:—
 Dominic Rogers:—Mr Tighe asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice,—
 (1.) Have the Government received a Petition, numerously signed by inhabitants of Newcastle, praying for a remission of sentence in the case of Dominic Rogers,—a boy fifteen years old, who, on Saturday, 5th instant, was brought before the Bench of Magistrates at Newcastle, upon a charge of indecent conduct, sentenced to six months imprisonment in Maitland Gaol, and recommended to be sent—upon the expiration of such sentence—to a Reformatory, for a further period of twelve months?
 (2.) Was the offence attended by any aggravating circumstances, in addition to the misconduct of bathing on the breaker beach, when females were present?
 (3.) Was the boy above-named ever previously brought before a Court upon a charge of any kind, and is it intended to restore him to his parents, by remitting the remaining portion of his sentence? If so, when will it be done?
 Mr. Robertson answered,—
 (1.) Yes.
 (2.) Yes.
 (3.) The boy has been twice summoned for assaults, and he has been complained of to the Police Magistrate, by ladies of high respectability, for most gross indecency; but, from the nature of the offence, these ladies would not appear in Court to give evidence in a case so grossly indecent, and the prisoner therefore escaped punishment. A remission of sentence, under such circumstances, cannot be recommended. The Honorable Member may peruse the papers in the case, if he wishes to do so; and I am quite sure, if he does,—assuming the statement of the Police Magistrate to be correct,—he will come to the conclusion, as I do, that this youngster deserves all the punishment he has received.
5. Motions Withdrawn:—
 (1.) Mr. Samuel withdrew the Motions Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day.
 (2.) Mr. McKay withdrew the Motion No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.

6. Money paid to Ministers for Travelling and other Expenses:—Mr. J. Suttor moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the amount of Money paid from the Public Revenue to Ministers of the Crown for Travelling and other Expenses, since the inauguration of Responsible Government in 1856,—
- (1.) Specifying the name, and amount paid to each Minister.
 - (2.) The name of Treasurer holding Office when such payments were made.
- Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
7. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Martin withdrew the Motion No. 3 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
8. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Parkes:—
- (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
- Resumed and continued.
Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. Martin (after Debate), until to-morrow.
9. Road Act Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, read a second time.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, That the consideration in Committee of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
- The House adjourned, at half-past Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17.

Questions:—

1. MR. STIMPSON *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) Do the Government intend, during this Session of Parliament, to bring in a Bill for the sale of Church and School Lands?
(2.) Do the Government intend to lease the Church and School Lands, that have remained unoccupied for a long time?
2. MR. LACKEY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—On whose recommendation was an additional polling place for Central Cumberland established at the private residence of Mr. Byrnes, at South Creek?

OTHER BUSINESS.—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
2. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.
3. MR. MCKAY to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.
4. MR. MARTIN to move, That John Fitzgerald Burns, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence:—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes:—
(1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Road Act Amendment Bill: to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River, and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
4. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. THORNTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing:—
 - (1.) The respective denominations of the Members of the Council of Education, and the attendance of each Member during the past year.
 - (2.) The religious denomination, together with the salary of each Member of the staff, in connection with the Council of Education Office.
 - (3.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Inspectors.
 - (4.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
 - (5.) The religious persuasions and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
 - (6.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in the Public Schools of the Colony.
 - (7.) The same of Denominational Teachers.
 - (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
 - (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
 - (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
 - (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
6. DR. LANG to move, That on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
7. DR. LANG to move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the remainder of the present Session.

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
 2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
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New South Wales.

No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 17 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Church and School Lands:—Mr. Stimpson asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
 - (1.) Do the Government intend, during this Session of Parliament, to bring in a Bill for the sale of Church and School Lands?
 - (2.) Do the Government intend to lease the Church and School Lands, that have remained unoccupied for a long time?
 Mr. Forster answered,—
 - (1.) The Government do not intend introducing any such Bill during the present Session; but next Session the Government purpose to deal with the question as soon as practicable. It may be added that no Bill is necessary to enable the Government to sell these lands. The main question is how to dispose of the proceeds.
 - (2.) This question is under consideration.
 - (2.) Additional Polling Place for Central Cumberland :—Mr. Roberts, on behalf of Mr. Lackey, asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—On whose recommendation was an additional polling place for Central Cumberland established at the private residence of Mr. Byrnes, at South Creek?
Mr. Robertson answered,—On the recommendation of several respectable gentlemen, electors of the district.
2. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Garrett, on behalf of Mr. Morrice, withdrew the Motion No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill :—
 - (1.) Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes.
Question put and passed.
 - (2.) Mr. Driver having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes,*"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. Railway Trial Survey between Bathurst and Orange :—Mr. McKay moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that, in order to develop the vast agricultural and mineral resources of the Districts of Orange and Carcoar, the Government should, with as little delay as possible, cause a Trial Survey for a Railway to be made from the Town of Bathurst to the Town of Orange.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Burns moved, That the Question be amended, by adding at the end thereof the words, "That the Government should also cause surveys to be completed to all points for which Parliament has already authorized the necessary expense to be incurred."
Debate continued.
Proposed Amendment by leave withdrawn.
Original Question stated.
Debate continued.
Original Question put and passed.

5. Paper:—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Abstract of Crown Lands reserved from sale until surveyed, for the preservation of Water Supply, or other public purposes, in accordance with the 4th Section of the Act 25 Victoria, No. 1, during the period from 21st April, 1868, to 10th December, 1868.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Wilson, on behalf of Mr. Martin, withdrew the Motion No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
7. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Parkes:—
(1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
Resumed and continued.
Motion made by Mr. Lee, and Question put (after Debate), That this Debate be now adjourned, until to-morrow.
The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. E. Brown,	Mr. Lord,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Lacky,
Mr. Tighe,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. J. Sutor,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Oatley,	
Mr. Lee,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Hill.

Noes, 29.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eckford,	
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Hurley.
Mr. Hoskins,	

8. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Road Act Amendment Bill postponed, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, until to-morrow.
The House adjourned, at nine minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18.

Questions:—

1. MR. WISDOM *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864?
2. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—What steps have been taken by the Government towards the erection of a Bridge over the River Macquarie at Wellington?
3. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) Have the Government considered the case of Mr. John Burnley, which was recommended to the favorable consideration of the Government in a Select Committee's Report, adopted by this House on 21st April last?
(2.) What steps do the Government intend to take with a view to afford Mr. Burnley redress of the grievances referred to in the report mentioned?
4. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—If Breaker Beach, mentioned in the second part of Question No. 1, on the Business Paper of Wednesday, 16th December, is within the proclaimed town of Newcastle?
5. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—Under what Act of Parliament did the Magistrate at Newcastle convict the boy Dominic Rogers?

OTHER

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Motion of Want of Confidence :—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes :—
 - (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Road Act Amendment Bill; to be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
2. MR. MARTIN to move, That John Fitzgerald Burns, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
2. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, or Michael Fitzpatrick, Esq., on his behalf, and another, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1861, 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River, and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
4. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. THORNTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing :—
 - (1.) The respective denominations of the Members of the Council of Education, and the attendance of each Member during the past year.
 - (2.) The religious denomination, together with the salary of each Member of the staff, in connection with the Council of Education Office.
 - (3.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Inspectors.
 - (4.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
 - (5.) The religious persuasions and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
 - (6.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in the Public Schools of the Colony.
 - (7.) The same of Denominational Teachers.
 - (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
 - (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
 - (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
 - (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.

6. DR. LANG to move, That on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
7. DR. LANG to move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
2. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the remainder of the present Session.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
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New South Wales.

No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 18 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 :—Mr. Wisdom asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce, during the present Session, a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864?
Mr. Robertson answered,—It is exceedingly improbable this Session.
 - (2.) Bridge over River Macquarie at Wellington :—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—What steps have been taken by the Government towards the erection of a Bridge over the River Macquarie at Wellington?
Mr. Sutherland answered,—Drawings for a Bridge of the same character as that at Dubbo are in hand, and Tenders will be invited within a month.
 - (3.) Mr. John Burnley :—Mr. Tighe asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—
 - (1.) Have the Government considered the case of Mr. John Burnley, which was recommended to the favorable consideration of the Government in a Select Committee's Report, adopted by this House on 21st April last?
 - (2.) What steps do the Government intend to take with a view to afford Mr. Burnley redress of the grievances referred to in the report mentioned?
Mr. Forster answered,—A sum of £100 has been placed on the Estimates by way of compensation to Burnley. The honorable gentleman will find the item in page 60 of the Estimates in Chief.
 - (4.) Breaker Beach (Dominic Rogers) :—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—If Breaker Beach, mentioned in the second part of Question No. 1, on the Business Paper of Wednesday, 16th December, is within the proclaimed town of Newcastle?
Mr. Forster answered,—Breaker Beach is within the area proclaimed as a Town, under the Act 2nd Victoria, No. 2. (Towns Police Act.)
Mr. Farnell withdrew the Question No. 5.
2. Papers :—Mr. Egan laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Steam Postal Communication (Time-table).
 - (2.) Return to Order, in reference to "Steam Postal Service, *via* Panama," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Forster, on 8 April, 1868.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination :—Mr. Macleay, *with the concurrence of the House*, moved (without notice),—That the undermentioned Papers,—laid upon the Table of this House, and ordered to be printed on the 15th December, instant, viz :—
 - (1.) Copies of Papers relating to the crime of the late prisoner Henry James O'Farrell, in attempting to assassinate H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh ;—
 - (2.) Correspondence (including legal opinion) respecting "Papers relating to O'Farrell's case, and to an alleged Fenian Conspiracy," in possession of Mr. Parkes, late Colonial Secretary ;—
 - (3.) Correspondence respecting Charles Miller,—*alias* Meyers, *alias* Thomas Smith, *alias* Holmer,—transferred from Darlinghurst to Parramatta Gaol, and thence discharged ;—

(4.)

(4.) Letter from Inspector General of Police, dated 14 January, 1868, respecting appointment of Special Constables, for maintenance of order, at the approaching reception of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, and marked "Appd., Colonial Treasurer. Sd. H. P.—21/1/68";—

be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on "Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination."

Question put and passed.

4. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Morrice withdrew the Motion No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
5. Motion of Want of Confidence :—The adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Parkes :—
- (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
- (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
- Resumed and continued.

And the House continuing to sit until after midnight,—

SATURDAY, 19 DECEMBER, 1868, A.M.—

Motion made by Mr. Isaacs, and Question put (after Debate), That this Debate be now adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. J. Suttor,
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. E. Brown,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Stimpson,	
Mr. Oatley,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. R. Stewart,	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Forster,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Burdakin,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Macleay,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Eckford,	Mr. Hurley,
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. Cunneen,	

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Martin, (seconded by Mr. Robertson,) at seven minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Question :—

1. MR. FARNELL to ask THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—Under what Act of Parliament did the Magistrate at Newcastle convict the boy Dominic Rogers ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
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3. MR. LUCAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River, and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
4. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. THORNTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing:—
 - (1.) The respective denominations of the Members of the Council of Education, and the attendance of each Member during the past year.
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 - (3.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Inspectors.
 - (4.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
 - (5.) The religious persuasions and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
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 - (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
 - (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
 - (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
 - (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
6. DR. LANG to move, That on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
7. DR. LANG to move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
8. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
9. MR. MARTIN to move, That John Fitzgerald Burns, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
2. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.
3. Motion of Want of Confidence:—Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on motion of Mr. Parkes:—
 - (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
4. Road Act Amendment Bill; to be considered in Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Thomas Garrett, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the remainder of the present Session.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1869.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MORRICE** to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WISDOM** to move;—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
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New South Wales.

No. 14.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 22 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Return of Writ :—The Speaker reported, that the Writ issued by him, during the late adjournment, for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Central Cumberland, in room of Allan Macpherson, Esquire, resigned, had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon of the election of Samuel Lyons, Esquire, to serve as such Member.
2. Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Dominic Rogers :—Mr. Farnell asked the Solicitor General, pursuant to Notice,—
Under what Act of Parliament did the Magistrate at Newcastle convict the boy Dominic Rogers?
Mr. Josephson answered,—Under the Vagrant Act, 3rd Section, 15 Vict. No 4.
3. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination :—Mr. Macleay, *with the concurrence of the House*, moved (without Notice), That the undermentioned Documents, viz. :—
(1.) Correspondence, &c., entitled "Inquiry by the Sheriff into the circumstances under which a statement similar to the one furnished to the Colonial Secretary by the late prisoner Henry James O'Farrell, came to be in the unauthorized possession of persons outside the prison,"—laid upon the Table of this House and ordered to be printed on the 27th April, 1868 ;—
(2.) Letter from Inspector General of Police, dated 28 January, 1868, submitting account for special expenses incurred by his department in connection with the reception of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, and marked "Appd., H.P.—3/2/68,"—laid upon the Table of this House and ordered to be printed on the 15th December, 1868 ;—
be referred to the Committee now sitting on "Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination."
Question put and passed.
4. Member Sworn :—Samuel Lyons, Esquire, having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as a Member for the Electoral District of Central Cumberland.
5. Motions Withdrawn :—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day were withdrawn respectively by the Members named :—
(1.) No. 1. By Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom.
(2.) No. 2. By Mr. Parkes.
6. Suburban Water Supply Bill :—
(1.) ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River, and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water.
Question put and passed.

(2.)

- (2.) Mr. Lucas having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to empower the inhabitants of the South and South Western Suburbs of the City of Sydney to erect a dam or dams over Cook's River and to perform such other works as will be found necessary to supply the said inhabitants with a supply of pure and wholesome water,"—read a first time.
- Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday, the 8th January.
7. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Garrett withdrew the Motion No. 8 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
8. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from James Powell ("one of the Trustees of the Old Burial Ground"), protesting against the alienation contemplated by the said Bill, and praying that that Bill may not be passed without being previously submitted to a Select Committee.
Petition received.
9. Motions Withdrawn:—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, were withdrawn respectively by the Members named:—
- (1.) No. 4. By Mr. Tunks.
 - (2.) No. 5. By Mr. Thornton.
 - (3.) Nos. 6 and 7. By Dr. Lang.
 - (4.) No. 9. By Mr. Wilson (on behalf of Mr. Martin).
10. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed respectively, on motion of the Members named, as follows:—
- (1.) No. 1, by Dr. Lang, until Friday fortnight.
 - (2.) No. 2, by Mr. Driver, until Tuesday, 5 January.
11. Motion of Want of Confidence:—The adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Parkes:—
- (1.) That the present Administration does not possess the confidence of this House.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor,—
- Resumed and continued.

And the House continuing to sit until after midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 23 DECEMBER, 1868, A.M.,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Rodd,	
Mr. Lucas,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lee,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Wisdom,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. J. Suttor,	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Hurley,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lloyd,	
Mr. Eckford,	Dr. Lang,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Terry,	

12. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 4, postponed, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, until To-morrow.
13. Chairman of Committees (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice,—That "Thomas Garrett," Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House for the remainder of the present Session.
Mr. Martin moved, That the Question be amended by omitting the words "Thomas Garrett," with a view to inserting in their place the words "John Fitzgerald Burns."
Question put, That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Hurley,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Burdekin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Bell,	

Noes, 22.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. J. Suttor,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Piddington,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Lee,	
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Wisdom,	

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Original Question then put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Hurley,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Burdekin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Thornton,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Lloyd,	

Noes, 22.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Eager,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Suttor,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. De Salis,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Lee,	
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Tunks,	

Whereupon, Mr. Garrett made his acknowledgments to the House.

Mr. Burns also made his acknowledgments.

The House adjourned, at three minutes before One o'clock a.m., until Three o'clock p.m., This Day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23.

Question :—

1. MR. FARNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Has a Survey been performed, and Soundings taken, of a portion of the Parramatta River, from a point at or near Redbank to the Queen's Wharf?
(2.) If so, has an Estimate been made of the cost of Dredging, and otherwise deepening the said River, between the points first mentioned?
(3.) If such Estimate has been made, will the Government place the necessary amount of money on the Estimates for the carrying out of the work?

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT :—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn till Tuesday, the 5th of January.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MR. SAMUEL to move, That the Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the passing through all its stages in one day of a Bill to continue the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.
4. MR. SAMUEL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to continue the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
2. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Petition presented on the 22nd December, from Mr. James Powell, respecting the dedication of the Old Burial Ground, be printed.
3. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
4. MR. THORNTON to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing :—
(1.) The respective denominations of the Members of the Council of Education, and the attendance of each Member during the past year.
(2.) The religious denomination, together with the salary of each Member of the staff, in connection with the Council of Education Office.
(3.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Inspectors.

(4.)

- (4.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
- (5.) The religious persuasions and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
- (6.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in the Public Schools of the Colony.
- (7.) The same of Denominational Teachers.
- (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
- (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
- (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
- (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
5. DR. LANG to move, That on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
6. DR. LANG to move, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
7. MR. NOWLAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the spread of "Oidium Tuckeri."
8. MR. MARTIN to move, That John Fitzgerald Burns, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House during the present Session.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Road Act Amendment Bill; to be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PARKES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, or Michael Fitzpatrick, Esq., on his behalf, and another, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1861, 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1869.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Suburban Water Supply Bill ; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill ; second reading.



New South Wales.

No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 23 DECEMBER, 1868.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Parramatta River :—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) Has a Survey been performed, and Soundings taken, of a portion of the Parramatta River, from a point at or near Redbank to the Queen's Wharf?
(2.) If so, has an Estimate been made of the cost of Dredging, and otherwise deepening the said River, between the points first mentioned?
(3.) If such Estimate has been made, will the Government place the necessary amount of money on the Estimates for the carrying out of the work?
Mr. Sutherland answered,—
(1.) A Survey has been made of the Parramatta River between the points indicated.
(2.) An Estimate has been made of the cost of Dredging the said River between these points.
(3.) The Government have taken the subject into consideration, and are not prepared at present to recommend the expenditure.
2. Motions Withdrawn :—Mr. Samuel withdrew the Motions Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill (*"Formal" Motion*) :—Mr. Hart, on behalf of Mr. Windeyer, moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented on the 22nd December, from Mr. James Powell, respecting the dedication of the Old Burial Ground, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Martin withdrew the Motion No. 8 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day.
5. Postponement :—Mr. Robertson postponed the Motion for Special Adjournment, on the Notice Paper for to-day, until a later period of the day.
6. Suspension of Standing Orders :—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, with a view to the passing through all its stages in one day of a Bill to continue the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.
Debate ensued.
Question put.

The

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Tigue,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Outley,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Lyons,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Burns,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. S. Brown.
Mr. Neale,	
Mr. Driver,	

Noes, 5.

Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. J. Stewart,
Tellers.
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. De Salis.

7. Stamp Duties Acts Continuation Bill:—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to continue the Stamp Duties Act of 1865. Question put and passed.
8. Paper:—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Abstract of Crown Lands authorized to be dedicated to Religious and Public Purposes, in accordance with the 5th Section of the Act, 25 Victoria, No. 1. Ordered to be printed.
9. Stamp Duties Acts Continuation Bill:—Mr. Samuel having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to continue ‘The Stamp Duties Act of 1865’ and the Act ‘intituled ‘An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act of 1865,’*”—read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
10. Paper:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Order, in reference to “Dismissal of Warder M’Grath from Deniliquin Gaol,” made by this House, on motion of Mr. Burns, on 10th December, 1868. Ordered to be printed.
11. Motions Withdrawn:—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, were withdrawn respectively by the members named:—
(1.) No. 3, by Mr. Tunks.
(2.) No. 1, by *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom.
12. Stamp Duties Acts Continuation Bill, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time (after Debate).
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an Amendment,—
Mr. Samuel moved, That this report be now adopted.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Eckford,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Outley,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Piddington,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Driver,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Burns.
Mr. Macleay,	

Noes, 6.

Mr. Tigue,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. J. Stewart,
Tellers.
Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lee.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-day.
Mr. Samuel then moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Question put.

The

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Garrott,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. S. Brown,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Burdekin,
Dr. Lang,	Tellers.
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Alexander.
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Neale,	

Noes, 6.
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. J. Stewart,

Tellers.
Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lee.

Bill then read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Samuel, *passed*.

Mr. Samuel then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to continue 'The Stamp Duties Act of 1865' and the Act intituled 'An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.'*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to continue 'The Stamp Duties Act of 1865' and the Act intituled 'An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.'*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 23rd December, 1868.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

13. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Thornton not making the Motion No. 4 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

14. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, That, on Friday, the 8th January, 1869, this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony. Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Morrice,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Forster,
Mr. Cunneen,	Tellers.
Mr. Neale,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Lackey.
Mr. Garrett,	
Mr. Nowlan,	

Noes, 10.
Mr. Martin,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Isaacs,

Tellers.
Mr. Oatley,
Mr. De Salis.

15. Stamp Duties Acts Continuation Bill:—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to continue 'The Stamp Duties Act of 1865' and the Act intituled 'An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act of 1865.'*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 23rd December, 1868.

T. A. MURRAY,

President.

16. Motion Dropped:—Dr. Lang not making the Motion No. 6 on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, it dropped.

17. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri) Prevention Bill:—Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to prevent the spread of "Oidium Tuckeri."

Question put and passed.

18. Road Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.
The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, adopted that report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the day for Tuesday, the 5th January.
19. Special Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to *postponed* Notice, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn till Tuesday, the 5th of January.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned, at twenty-one minutes before Eight o'clock, until *Tuesday, the 5th January, at Three o'clock.*

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

MEMO.—*The House meets at Three o'clock this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1869.

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. TUNKS to move (*on the motion being called on for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith"*), That the owners of land in opposition to the Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith, be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. GARRETT to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
3. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
4. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
5. MR. MORRICE to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.

6. Mr. PARKES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—

(1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.

(2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.

(3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.

(4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, or Michael Fitzpatrick, Esq., on his behalf, and another, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1861, 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.
2. Road Act Amendment Bill; third reading.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. Mr. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
3. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.



New South Wales.

No. 16.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 5 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Vacant Seat:—The Speaker reported that he had this day received a letter from George Thornton, Esquire, resigning his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of Gold Fields West,—which letter he then read to the House, as follows:—

“ 375, George-street,
“ Sydney, 31st December, 1868.

“ The Honorable W. M. Arnold, Esq., Speaker of Legislative Assembly, Sydney.

“ Sir,

“ As I am about to leave the Colony for England, I hereby beg to
“ resign the Seat which I have the honor to hold in the Legislative Assembly,
“ as the Member for the Gold Fields West,

“ And have the honor to be, Sir,
“ Your obedt. Servt.,
“ GEO. THORNTON.”

Whereupon, Mr. Robertson moved, That the Seat of George Thornton, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Gold Fields West, hath become, and is now vacant, by reason of the resignation thereof by the said George Thornton, Esquire.

Question put and passed.

2. Assent to Stamp Duties Acts Continuation Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,

Governor.

Message No. 3.

A Bill intituled “ *An Act to continue ‘ The Stamp Duties Act of 1865 ’ and ‘ the Act intituled ‘ An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act of 1865,’* ” as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 29th December, 1868.

3. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Tunks withdrew the Motion No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Mrs. Mary Singleton:—Mr. Wilson presented a Petition from Mary Singleton, as widow and sole legatee under the will of the late Benjamin Singleton, of Singleton, Hunter River, complaining of certain circumstances connected with the alleged erection of a Court House and Lockup by her late husband, at Singleton, in 1841; and praying inquiry, with a view to redress in the premises.
Petition received.

5. Deputy Speaker's Commission to Administer the Oath:—The Speaker reported that he had received a Commission, under the Seal of the Colony, dated 30th December, 1868, and signed by His Excellency the Governor, Earl of Belmore, empowering Thomas Garrett, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly, in the absence of the Speaker, to administer to Members the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance required by Law,— of which the following is a copy:—

“By His Excellency the Right Honorable SOMERSET RICHARD, Earl of Belmore, a
 “Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council in Ireland,
 “Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales, and
 “Vice Admiral of the same.

“To all to whom these presents shall come,—

“Greeting:

“In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Somerset Richard, Earl of Belmore, as Governor of the Colony of New South Wales, do hereby authorize Thomas Garrett, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, in the absence of the Honorable the Speaker of the said Assembly, to administer from time to time, as occasion may require, to any Member of the said Assembly, to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, 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 Seal of the Colony, at Government House, Sydney, in New South Wales aforesaid, this thirtieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-second year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria.

“BELMORE.

“By His Excellency's Command.

“JOHN ROBERTSON.”

6. Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill:—Mr. Lee presented a Petition from William Clift and Samuel Clift, both of Breeza, in the Colony of New South Wales, graziers, Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift, late of West Maitland, in the said Colony, landholder, deceased, praying for leave to introduce a Bill to enable the said Petitioners to grant leases of certain lands for Mining purposes. Petition received.
7. Motions Withdrawn:—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named:—
- (1.) No. 1. By Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom.
 - (2.) No. 2. By Mr. Garrett.
 - (3.) No. 4. By Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom.
8. Travelling and other Expenses of certain Ministers in former Administrations (“Formal” Motion):—Mr. Parkes moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
- (1.) The amount of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. John Robertson, Secretary for Lands, on visiting the Gold Fields, and on all other occasions, in the years 1861, 1862, and 1863,—specifying the amount, and the fund from which it was paid in each case.
 - (2.) The same particulars of the Travelling Expenses of the Hon. Charles Cowper during the same years.
 - (3.) The amount of Travelling, and other Expenses of Ministers, in attending Conferences in Melbourne and Brisbane, during the same years.
 - (4.) The amount paid to satisfy a suit against the Hon. John Robertson, or Michael Fitzpatrick, Esq., on his behalf, and another, for the recovery of the Expenses of a Grand Lunch given to the Volunteers, in the Inner Domain, in the year 1861, 1862, or 1863,—specifying by what authority, and from what fund the amount was paid.
- Question put and passed.
9. Road Act Amendment Bill (“Formal” Order of the Day), on motion of Mr. Josephson, read a third time and passed.
- Mr. Josephson then moved, that the Title of this Bill be “An Act to enable the Trustees for the time being of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River and called the Cook's River Road to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in lighting the said Road.”
- Question put and passed.
- Whereupon, Mr. Josephson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to enable the Trustees for the time being of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River and called the Cook's River Road to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in lighting the said Road,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 5 January, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

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10. Paper :—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Return to Order, in reference to "Travelling and other Expenses of certain Ministers in former Administrations," made by this House, on motion of Mr. Parkes, this day. (*See Entry 8 above.*) Ordered to be printed.
11. Motion Withdrawn :—*Mr. Garrett*, on behalf of Mr. Morrice, withdrew the Motion No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
12. Postponement :—The Order of the Day No. 1, postponed, on motion of Mr. Driver, until Friday next.
- The House adjourned, at Four o'clock, until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6.

Questions :—

1. MR. MACLEAY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has any report been made to the Government by the Inspector of Public Charities concerning the removal of a person named Cullen from the office of Assistant Teacher at the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta?
 - (2.) Did that report recommend Cullen's dismissal?
 - (3.) Did a former Colonial Secretary approve of the recommendation of the Inspector of Public Charities?
 - (4.) In removing Cullen, did the Government act upon the report of the Inspector, submitted to, and approved by, a previous Government?
2. MR. TUNKS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the Government to lay on the Table of this House, the papers applied for by Address on the 5th November, 1867, having reference to "applications to purchase and reclaim land under 9th and 12th clauses of Crown Lands Alienation Act?" and if so, when?
3. MR. TUNKS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What is now the cause of delay in opening for traffic the road to Gladesville *via* Balmain and Five Dock?
4. MR. TUNKS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the papers, ordered to be laid on the Table of this House on the 17th March last, having reference to the Road to Gladesville *via* Balmain and Five Dock, be furnished?
5. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Do the Government intend to erect a new Station House at the Sydney Terminus, instead of the dilapidated structure there at present?
6. DR. LANG to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government, either during the present, or early during next Session of Parliament, to bring in a Bill for the division of certain Electorates, and for the re-distribution of certain seats in this Assembly?
7. MR. LEE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to expend any portion of the sum of £10,000,—placed on the Estimates for 1869, under the heads of Gaols, Court Houses, and Lockups,—upon building a Court House in the Town of West Maitland, suitable to the requirements of so large a population?
8. MR. LEE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Have the Government decided upon, or agreed to, the purchase of any buildings in West Maitland, for the purpose of a Police Station?
 - (2.) If so, who is the proprietor, and in what portion of the town are the buildings situated?
 - (3.) Does the sum of £2,000, on the Supplementary Estimates for 1868, provide for the amount of purchase money of said premises, or is such vote merely prospective?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MR. SAMUEL to move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill, to enable the present Collector of Customs to retire upon a Superannuation Allowance.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILSON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th January, from Mrs. Mary Singleton, be printed.

THURSDAY,

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7.

Questions :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What is the amount of the receipts on account of the Consolidated Revenue for the year 1867?
 - (2.) What is the probable amount of revenue yet due for the year 1867?
 - (3.) What has been the actual expenditure chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867?
 - (4.) What are the probable outstanding demands chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867?
 - (5.) The like information for the year 1868?
2. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What value do the Treasury Bills, now in circulation, represent?
 - (2.) Was there any interest due upon those securities, on the 1st instant? If so, how much?
 - (3.) What amount of short dated or deficit debentures was issued during the year 1865, and what was the net amount realized by those debentures?
 - (4.) How were the proceeds appropriated?
 - (5.) Was any interest due upon those securities on the 1st instant? If so, how much?
 - (6.) What amount of those debentures has been paid up to the 1st instant?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

Questions :—

1. MR. LACKEY *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend introducing any measure having for its object the alteration or amendment of the present Land Law, or the reduction of the upset price?
2. MR. LACKEY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Do the Government intend introducing a Bill to reduce and equalize the Ministerial Salaries?

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. TUNKS *to move* (*on the motion being called on for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith"*), That the owners of land in opposition to the Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith, be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
3. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
4. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. BURNS *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence which may have passed between Mr. Frederick Lee, Secretary of the Society for the Abolition of Capital Punishment, and between any other person or persons and the Government, in reference to the alleged insanity of H. J. O'Farrell.
2. MR. J. STEWART *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence, from the first day of last June, relating to charges against Mr. Simon Cullen, and to his removal from office as a teacher in the Roman Catholic Orphan School.
3. MR. J. STEWART *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing :—
 - (1.) The names of all gentlemen who became non-ministerial office holders, in the service of the Government, after being elected Members of the Legislative Assembly, since the year 1856.
 - (2.) The date of their election as Members of the Assembly.
 - (3.) The date of their appointment as office holders.
 - (4.) The nature of the office.
 - (5.) The salary attached to the office.
 - (6.) The name of the Ministry at the time of the appointment.
4. MR. TUNKS *to move*, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonards.

5. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
6. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.
7. MR. LEE to move for leave to introduce a Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, landholders, to grant leases of certain lands for mining purposes.
8. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
9. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10, to the County of Cumberland.
2. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. J. STEWART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the duties performed by the Master in Equity, and the expediency of altering existing arrangements connected with the Master's Office.
 - (2.) Such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Driver, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
5. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to,—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "Metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of any Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
6. DR. LANG to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
7. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria, Cap. 43.
8. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of, and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic., No. 24, at places other than Towns.
9. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.

10. Mr. MORRICE to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. RYAN to move,—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
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[Price, 6d.]

New South Wales.

No. 17.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 6 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Removal of Mr. Cullen from Roman Catholic Orphan School, Parramatta:—

Mr. Macleay asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Has any report been made to the Government by the Inspector of Public Charities concerning the removal of a person named Cullen from the office of Assistant Teacher at the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta?

(2.) Did that report recommend Cullen's dismissal?

(3.) Did a former Colonial Secretary approve of the recommendation of the Inspector of Public Charities?

(4.) In removing Cullen, did the Government act upon the report of the Inspector, submitted to, and approved by, a previous Government?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) Reports have been made to the Government by the Inspector of Public Charities concerning the removal of Mr. Cullen from the office of Assistant Teacher at the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta.

(2.) In June last, the Rev. Mr. Sheehy having recommended the dismissal of Mr. Cullen, and the Inspector of Public Charities having been called on for a report, wrote, on the 12th of that month—"I think it would be unjust to remove him on charges of so general a nature as those made by the Vicar-General; but if an arrangement could be made for carrying out Mr. Inspector Johnson's suggestions"—to the effect that steps be taken to obtain for the First Teacher the necessary training, the Assistant Teacher Cullen could be dispensed with. Another report was made on 26th June last, on complaints made by Mr. Cullen. The Inspector of Public Charities then reports substantially, that there are not sufficient grounds for the complaints made by Mr. Cullen, and the Colonial Secretary (Mr. Parkes), in a Minute, dated 30th June last, concurred.

"Another Report, 21st October last, from the Inspector of Public Charities, recommended Mr. Cullen's dismissal"—upon which Mr. Docker wrote—"After an attentive consideration of all the papers in this case, I have arrived at the conclusion that the interests of the institution will suffer by the continuance of Mr. Cullen in his present position. I think, therefore, the suggestions of the Inspector should be carried out; but as circumstances will not admit of my giving the necessary attention to the means to be adopted for this end, I must leave their adoption for my successor in office."

The present Colonial Secretary authorized the removal of Mr. Cullen by Minute, 11th Novr., 1868.

(3.) Yes. Mr. Docker did, in the Minute I have just read.

(4.) Yes.

- (2.) Applications to purchase and reclaim land under 9th and 12th clauses of Crown Lands Alienation Act:—Mr. Tunks asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Is it the intention of the Government to lay on the Table of this House, the papers applied for by Address on the 5th November, 1867, having reference to "applications to purchase and reclaim land under 9th and 12th clauses of Crown Lands Alienation Act?" and if so, when?

Mr. Forster answered,—The papers will in all probability be ready to-morrow.

(3.)

- (3.) Road to Gladesville *viâ* Balmain and Five Dock :—
 (1.) Mr. Tunks asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—What is now the cause of delay in opening for traffic the road to Gladesville *viâ* Balmain and Five Dock ?
 Mr. Forster answered,—The delay is considered to have been caused chiefly by the refusal or disinclination of the Balmain Municipal authorities to form their portion of the road, although a slight deviation has since been proclaimed and will shortly be confirmed.
 (2.) Mr. Tunks asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—When will the papers, ordered to be laid on the Table of this House on the 17th March last, having reference to the Road to Gladesville *viâ* Balmain and Five Dock, be furnished ?
 Mr. Forster answered,—The papers will in all probability be ready to-morrow.
- (4.) New Railway Station House, Sydney Terminus :—Mr. Lackey asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—Do the Government intend to erect a new Station House at the Sydney Terminus, instead of the dilapidated structure there at present ?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—It is the intention of the Government to erect a new Station House at the Sydney Terminus, for which purpose a sum will be placed on the Supplementary Estimates.
- (5.) Division of Electorates and Re-distribution of Seats :—Dr. Lang asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—Whether it is the intention of the Government, either during the present, or early during next Session of Parliament, to bring in a Bill for the division of certain Electorates, and for the re-distribution of certain seats in this Assembly ?
 Mr. Robertson answered,—Perhaps my honorable and reverend friend will permit me to answer his question, as it comes more properly within my province.—The Government do not, during the present Session, intend to bring in such a Bill, but to confine themselves to the obtaining of Supply, so as to legalize the public expenditure. They hope, however, to have an early Session during the present year, to deal with questions of this kind, and with other matters of great importance to the welfare of the country.
- (6.) Court House, West Maitland :—Mr. Lee asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to expend any portion of the sum of £10,000,—placed on the Estimates for 1869, under the heads of Gaols, Court Houses, and Lockups,—upon building a Court House in the Town of West Maitland, suitable to the requirements of so large a population ?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—This matter is under consideration.
- (7.) Police Station, West Maitland :—Mr. Lee asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—
 (1.) Have the Government decided upon, or agreed to, the purchase of any buildings in West Maitland, for the purpose of a Police Station ?
 (2.) If so, who is the proprietor, and in what portion of the town are the buildings situated ?
 (3.) Does the sum of £2,000, on the Supplementary Estimates for 1868, provide for the amount of purchase money of said premises, or is such vote merely prospective ?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—No such arrangements have been come to.
2. Papers :—
 (1.) Mr. Forster laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 (1.) Return to Order in reference to "Windermere Ford," made by this House, on motion of Mr. Burns, on 15 December, 1868.
 Ordered to be printed.
 (2.) Return to Order, in reference to "Conditional Purchases under Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Sutherland, on 12 October, 1866.
- (2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 (1.) Return to Order, in reference to "Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh," made by this House, on motion of Mr. Macleay, on 10 December, 1868.
 Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, to be printed, and referred to the Select Committee now sitting on "Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination."
 (2.) Municipalities By-laws, dated 30 December, 1868, Borough of Randwick :—
 (Presented pursuant to Act, 31 Vict., No. 12, section 158.)
 (3.) Regulations, dated 29 December, 1868, for Industrial School for Girls at Newcastle :—(Presented pursuant to Act, 30 Vict., No. 2, section 3.)
 (4.) Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 22 October, 1868, relative to the Treason Felony Act.
 (5.) Correspondence relative to Panama Mail Service.
 (6.) Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 31 January, 1868, relative to the Border Duties Act of 1867.
 (7.) Correspondence relative to Conference of Delegates from the several Australasian Colonies.
 Ordered to be printed.

3. Mrs. Mary Singleton (*"Formal" Motion*) :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th January, from Mrs. Mary Singleton, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Paper :—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Correspondence respecting the removal of Messrs. Berney and Jones, and re-instatement of Mr. Duncan (Customs Department).
Ordered to be printed.
5. Postponement :—The Motions Nos. 1 and 2 of Government Business, postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to follow, consecutively, the Motion No. 1 of Government Business, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
6. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill :—
 - (1.) (*Motion No. 3 of Government Business*) :—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to notice, That leave be given to introduce a Bill to enable the present Collector of Customs to retire upon a Superannuation Allowance.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
 - (2.) Mr. Samuel having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to enable the present Collector of Customs to retire upon a Superannuation Allowance,*"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
7. Motions Withdrawn :—Mr. Samuel withdrew the postponed Motions Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day.
The House adjourned at ten minutes after Six o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7.

Questions :—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What is the amount of the receipts on account of the Consolidated Revenue for the year 1867 ?
 - (2.) What is the probable amount of revenue yet due for the year 1867 ?
 - (3.) What has been the actual expenditure chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867 ?
 - (4.) What are the probable outstanding demands chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867 ?
 - (5.) The like information for the year 1868 ?
2. MR. LUCAS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What value do the Treasury Bills, now in circulation, represent ?
 - (2.) Was there any interest due upon those securities, on the 1st instant ? If so, how much ?
 - (3.) What amount of short dated or deficit debentures was issued during the year 1865, and what was the net amount realized by those debentures ?
 - (4.) How were the proceeds appropriated ?
 - (5.) Was any interest due upon those securities on the 1st instant ? If so, how much ?
 - (6.) What amount of those debentures has been paid up to the 1st instant ?
3. MR. MORRICE to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Will the Government take steps to cause the late Colonial Treasurer to refund the unauthorized sum of twenty pounds, paid out of the Treasury, for cab hire in conveying members of Parliament to vote in their favour on questions before this House ?—
 - (2.) Also to refund the unauthorized sum paid for the Lunch given by their Government at the opening of the Railway Station at Marulan ?—
 - (3.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid as gratuities to certain Government officers ?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
2. MR. SAMUEL to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

Questions:—

1. MR. LACKEY to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend introducing any measure having for its object the alteration or amendment of the present Land Law, or the reduction of the upset price?
2. MR. LACKEY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Do the Government intend introducing a Bill to reduce and equalize the Ministerial Salaries?
3. MR. R. STEWART to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What articles are still to arrive in the country to complete the orders from the Railway Department to the present date?
 - (2.) What will be the probable cost of such articles?
 - (3.) What number of persons were in the employ of the Railway Department on the 1st January, 1869?
 - (4.) What was the amount paid for the services of persons in the employ of the Railway Department for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1868?
4. MR. NEALE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When is it likely that the Report of the Sydney Water Commission will be brought up?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. TUNKS to move (*on the motion being called on for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith"*), That the owners of land in opposition to the Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith, be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
3. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
4. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence which may have passed between Mr. Frederick Lee, Secretary of the Society for the Abolition of Capital Punishment, and between any other person or persons and the Government, in reference to the alleged insanity of H. J. O'Farrell.
2. MR. J. STEWART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence, from the first day of last June, relating to charges against Mr. Simon Cullen, and to his removal from office as a teacher in the Roman Catholic Orphan School.
3. MR. J. STEWART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing:—
 - (1.) The names of all gentlemen who became non-ministerial office holders, in the service of the Government, after being elected Members of the Legislative Assembly, since the year 1856.
 - (2.) The date of their election as Members of the Assembly.
 - (3.) The date of their appointment as office holders.
 - (4.) The nature of the office.
 - (5.) The salary attached to the office.
 - (6.) The name of the Ministry at the time of the appointment.
4. MR. TUNKS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonards.
5. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
6. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

9. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
10. MR. OATLEY to move for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Trust, to transfer certain Roads under their care, to the Municipal Council of Sydney or of Randwick.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12.

Question :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—Whether he has received any communication from the Victorian Government, inviting the co-operation of the New South Wales Government in the establishment of a Mail Service *via* the Cape of Good Hope; and, if so, whether the invitation has been entertained?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10, to the County of Cumberland.
2. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. J. STEWART to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the duties performed by the Master in Equity, and the expediency of altering existing arrangements connected with the Master's Office.
 - (2.) Such Committee to consist of Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Driver, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
5. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to,—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "Metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of any Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
6. DR. LANG to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
7. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria, Cap. 43.
8. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of, and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic., No. 24 at places other than Towns.
9. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
10. MR. MORRICE to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £1000, towards the opening and formation of a Road from the Sutton Forest Railway Station, through the Kangaroo Valley, to the Shoalhaven River, *via* Good Dog Mountain.
11. MR. R. STEWART to move,—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House that steps should be taken to ascertain the distance and the best practicable route for a line of Railway from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

12. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
- (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
13. MR. LYONS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return shewing the amount voted annually, during the last five years, for the repairs, additions, and improvements at the Protestant and Roman Catholic Orphan Schools at Parramatta,—such Return to specify the amounts expended from such vote annually during that period upon each establishment.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14.

Question:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Was a certificate of title granted about July, 1865, to William Sixsmith for 30 acres of Land, being a portion of 1,200 acres originally granted to James Chandler, known as Bexley?
 - (2.) Did Mr. Sixsmith, or his Agent, deposit in the Lands Titles Office an abstract of his title, together with a plan of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed?
 - (3.) Did the Registrar General advertise 26 acres or thereabouts, being lots 2 and 4 of section 5 of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed? If so, upon what grounds did the Registrar General grant Mr. Sixsmith a certificate for 30 acres?
 - (4.) Did the Registrar General and Examiners of Titles, anterior to granting a Certificate of Title to Mr. Sixsmith, receive information in writing that a Bill was pending in Equity affecting the applicant's Title?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.

New South Wales.

No. 18.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 7 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Financial Statistics :—

- (1.) Mr. Lucas asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) What is the amount of the receipts on account of the Consolidated Revenue for the year 1867?

(2.) What is the probable amount of revenue yet due for the year 1867?

(3.) What has been the actual expenditure chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867?

(4.) What are the probable outstanding demands chargeable upon the Consolidated Revenue for 1867?

(5.) The like information for the year 1868?

Mr. Samuel answered,—All these questions will be answered when the Financial Statement is made.

- (2.) Mr. Lucas asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) What value do the Treasury Bills, now in circulation, represent?

(2.) Was there any interest due upon those securities, on the 1st instant? If so, how much?

(3.) What amount of short dated or deficit debentures was issued during the year 1865, and what was the net amount realized by those debentures?

(4.) How were the proceeds appropriated?

(5.) Was any interest due upon those securities on the 1st instant? If so, how much?

(6.) What amount of those debentures has been paid, up to the 1st instant?

Mr. Samuel answered,—I must give the same reply to the honorable gentleman, and ask him to defer these questions until the Financial Statement is made.

- (2.) Unauthorized Expenditure from the Treasury :—Mr. Morrice asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Will the Government take steps to cause the late Colonial Treasurer to refund the unauthorized sum of twenty pounds, paid out of the Treasury, for cab hire in conveying members of Parliament to vote in their favour on questions before this House?—

(2.) Also to refund the unauthorized sum paid for the Lunch given by their Government at the opening of the Railway Station at Marulan?—

(3.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid as gratuities to certain Government officers?

Mr. Samuel answered,—The Government have not determined upon any course, at present, with reference to these matters.

2. Mr. John Thomas Neilson :—Mr. Walker presented a Petition from John Thomas Neilson, of Windsor, complaining of a certain grievance as therein set forth, in connection with his selection of a Run in May, 1866,—and praying for inquiry, with a view to relief.
Petition received.

3. Papers :—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—

(1.) Return to Address, in reference to "Applications to purchase and reclaim land under 9th and 12th Clauses of Crown Lands Alienation Act," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Tunks, on 5 November, 1867.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.)

- (2.) Return to Order, in reference to "Proposed Road to Gladesville *via* Balmain and Five Dock," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Tunks, on 17 March, 1868.
4. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Macleay moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
5. Supply:—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Supply, and that the Governor's Message No. 2, with the accompanying Estimates, be referred thereto.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.
Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, (*made with the concurrence of the House*.) That the said Resolution be *now* received.
The Chairman then reported a Resolution, which was read a first time, as follows:—
(1.) Resolved,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,650, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of His Excellency the Governor, for the year 1869.
Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time, and agreed to.
6. Ways and Means:—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.
7. Paper:—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Estimates of the Ways and Means of the Government of New South Wales, for the year 1869.
Ordered to be printed.
- The House adjourned at twenty-one minutes before Seven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8.

Questions:—

1. MR. LACKEY *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend introducing any measure having for its object the alteration or amendment of the present Land Law, or the reduction of the upset price?
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 - (3.) What number of persons were in the employ of the Railway Department on the 1st January, 1869?
 - (4.) What was the amount paid for the services of persons in the employ of the Railway Department for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1868?
4. MR. NEALE *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When is it likely that the Report of the Sydney Water Commission will be brought up?
5. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Was it at any time proposed by the Government, or by any member of the Government, to appoint Mr. W. A. Duncan to the office of Under Secretary in the Lands Department?
 - (2.) Was it at any time proposed to appoint Mr. Duncan to any office of similar grade and emolument other than the office of Collector of Customs?
6. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What is the total length of the Clarence Tunnel, on the Great Western Railway?
 - (2.) What is the total quantity of excavation—as measured by the Government—in cubic yards?

Contingent

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

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OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. Triennial Parliaments Bill ; second reading.
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4. MR. TUNKS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonards.
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11. MR. WALKER to move, That the Petition presented by him on 7th January, from John Thomas Neilson, of Windsor, be printed.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12.

Question:—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—Whether he has received any communication from the Victorian Government, inviting the co-operation of the New South Wales Government in the establishment of a Mail Service *via* the Cape of Good Hope; and, if so, whether the invitation has been entertained?

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill; second reading.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
3. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14.

Question:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Was a certificate of title granted about July, 1865, to William Sixsmith for 30 acres of Land, being a portion of 1,200 acres originally granted to James Chandler, known as Bexley?
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
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New South Wales.

No. 19.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 8 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Land Law—Upset Price of Land :—Mr. Lackey asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Do the Government intend introducing any measure having for its object the alteration or amendment of the present Land Law, or the reduction of the upset price?

Mr. Forster answered,—The Government believe it to be most consistent with the public interest and convenience, to bring the present Session to a close with as little delay as possible, with a view to commencing the next Session early in the year. The Government, therefore, do not intend introducing, during the present Session, any such important measure as that indicated by the Honorable Member. They propose, however, to take the general question of Land Laws and administration into early consideration.

- (2.) Equalization of Ministerial Salaries :—Mr. Lackey asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Do the Government intend introducing a Bill to reduce and equalize the Ministerial Salaries?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The Government certainly have no intention of doing anything of the kind this Session, or of dealing, if they can help it, with any other questions than the mere legalizing of the public expenditure. They hope to have an early meeting of Parliament next Session, when they will be quite prepared to meet Honorable Members in this regard, as well as in all others.

Mr. R. Stewart withdrew the Question No. 3.

- (3.) Sydney Water Commission :—Mr. Neale asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—When is it likely that the Report of the Sydney Water Commission will be brought up?

Mr. Robertson answered,—Progress Reports have been furnished from time to time, and will immediately be laid upon the Table. The Commission has been extended for three months, and the final Report may be expected shortly after the termination of that period. I purpose laying the last Report upon the Table as soon as the questions have been answered.

- (4.) Mr. W. A. Duncan :—Mr. Parkes asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) Was it at any time proposed by the Government, or by any member of the Government, to appoint Mr. W. A. Duncan to the office of Under Secretary in the Lands Department?

(2.) Was it at any time proposed to appoint Mr. Duncan to any office of similar grade and emolument other than the office of Collector of Customs?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) I have never heard it suggested by any member of the Government that Mr. Duncan should be appointed Under Secretary for Lands. The thing never occurred to me, and it seems to me absolutely absurd, as that gentlemen had no knowledge of that particular branch of the Public Service.

(2.) I never heard of its having been contemplated that any other office should be offered to Mr. Duncan than the one he has now got. We from the first thought it was our duty to restore him; we said so, and we have done it.

(5.)

- (5.) Clarence Tunnel, Great Western Railway :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—
- (1.) What is the total length of the Clarence Tunnel, on the Great Western Railway?
 - (2.) What is the total quantity of excavation—as measured by the Government—in cubic yards?
- Mr. Sutherland answered,—
- (1.) 539 lineal yards.
 - (2.) 19,509 cubic yards.
2. Papers :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
- (1.) Return shewing the Number of Electors on the Roll of each Electoral District, for 1868-9.
 - (2.) Return shewing the Estimated Number of Electors entitled to vote in the several Gold Fields Electoral Districts, for 1868-9.
 - (3.) Letter from the United States Consul to His Excellency the Earl of Belmore, relative to Emigration to California.
- Ordered to be printed.
3. Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's.
- Question put and passed.
4. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill :—
- (1.) ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Lee moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift of West Maitland landholders to grant leases of certain lands for mining purposes.
- And Mr. Lee having produced certain numbers of the *Government Gazette*, and the *Sydney Morning Herald*, and *Maitland Mercury*, newspapers, containing Notices of the intention to apply for such Bill,—
- Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Lee having presented this Bill, and produced a Certificate of the payment of Twenty-five Pounds to the credit of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to enable William Clift and Samuel Clift Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift late of West Maitland in the Colony of New South Wales Landholder deceased to grant Leases of certain Lands for Mining purposes*,"—read a first time.
5. Motions Withdrawn :—Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motions Nos. 8 and 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
6. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill :—
- (1.) ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Oatley moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trust to transfer certain Roads under their care to the Municipal Council of Sydney or of Randwick.
- Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Oatley having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trust to transfer certain Roads under their care to the Municipal Council of Sydney or of Randwick*,"—read a first time.
- Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
7. Mr. John Thomas Neilson ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Walker moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on 7th January, from John Thomas Neilson, of Windsor, be printed.
- Question put and passed.
- Ordered to be printed.
8. Motion for Adjournment :—Mr. Eagar moved, That this House do now adjourn.
- Debate ensued.
- Question put and negatived.
9. Suburban Water Supply Bill :—Mr. Lucas moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- Motion by leave withdrawn.
- Ordered, on motion of Mr. Lucas, that the second reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for this day week.
10. Postponement :—The Order of the Day, No. 2, postponed, on motion of Dr. Lang, until Tuesday next.
11. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation :—On motion of Dr. Lang, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for consideration of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony.
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The Chairman again reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee.

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W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—Whether he has received any communication from the Victorian Government, inviting the co-operation of the New South Wales Government in the establishment of a Mail Service *via* the Cape of Good Hope; and, if so, whether the invitation has been entertained?
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3. MR. EAGAR *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—If he will be good enough to state the total amount of Revenue collected in the month of December, 1868?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. TUNKS to move (*on the motion being called on for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith"*), That the owners of land in opposition to the Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith, be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

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3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
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16. MR. LEE to move,—
 - (1.) That the Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, to grant Mining Leases, be referred to a Select Committee, for consideration and report.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, *viz.*:—Mr. Piddington, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Nowlan, Mr. Burns, and the Mover.
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19. MR. J. STEWART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence, from the first day of last June, relating to charges against Mr. Simon Cullen, and to his removal from office as a teacher in the Roman Catholic Orphan School.
20. MR. J. STEWART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing:—
 - (1.) The names of all gentlemen who became non-ministerial office holders, in the service of the Government, after being elected Members of the Legislative Assembly, since the year 1856.
 - (2.) The date of their election as Members of the Assembly.
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- (3.) The date of their appointment as office holders.
- (4.) The nature of the office.
- (5.) The salary attached to the office.
- (6.) The name of the Ministry at the time of the appointment.
21. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
22. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill; second reading.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
3. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; second reading.
2. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
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2. MR. WISDOM to move,—
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3. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.



New South Wales.

No. 20.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 12 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Mail Service *via* Cape of Good Hope:—Mr. Burns asked the Postmaster General, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Whether he has received any communication from the Victorian Government, inviting the co-operation of the New South Wales Government in the establishment of a Mail Service *via* the Cape of Good Hope; and, if so, whether the invitation has been entertained?

Mr. Egan answered,—No such communication has been received.

- (2.) Railway Department:—Mr. R. Stewart asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) What articles are still to arrive in the country to complete the orders from the Railway Department to the present date?

(2.) What will be the probable cost of such articles?

(3.) What number of persons were in the employ of the Railway Department on the 1st January, 1869?

(4.) What was the amount paid for the services of persons in the employ of the Railway Department for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1868?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1 and 2.) Fish plates, to complete Indent ordered 1 July, 1867.—

Probable value	£204	0	0
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1 Steel Tire Grinding Lathe, to complete Indent ordered 1 February, 1868.—

Probable value	£582	0	0
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To complete Indent for Waggon Wheels and Springs, ordered 27 March, 1868.—

Probable value	£3,877	19	8
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Indent for Carriage and Waggon Wheels, Axles, Springs, &c., ordered 17 June, 1868.—

200 pairs Railway Waggon Wheels.

400 Steel Bearing Springs.

400 Cylindrical Vulcanized India Rubber Springs.

20 pairs 3 ft. Duplicate Wheels, Axles, &c.

Probable value	£4,960	0	0
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GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Extension, Penrith towards Bathurst.—Ordered 17 June, 1868.

2 Wrought Iron Box Girders, 135 ft. long, 10 ft. deep, 2 ft. 6 in. wide.

1 Additional Girder, 31 ft. 9 in. long, 24 deep, 9 wide.

4 Cast Iron Bed Plates.

Probable cost	£4,000	0	0
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Wrought Iron Lattice Bridge over River Hunter, at Aberdeen.—
Ordered 17 June, 1868.

3 Spans, of 150 ft. each, for single line of Railway, and not
as originally designed for a double line.

The Girders to be—Lattice, 12 ft. deep, with clear space
between Girders of 14 ft.; Cross Girders to be 3 ft.
apart, &c., 14 " deep; Cast Iron Cylinders to be 9 ft.
in dia. and length shewn on Tracing, &c.—

Probable cost £15,000 0 0

INFANT PERMANENT WAY MATERIALS, &c.

Extension G. Western Railway, Rydal to Bathurst.—Ordered
5 December, 1868.

Rails, 4,480.

Chairs, 160,000.

Fish Plates, 38,000.

Bolts and Nuts, 76,000.

Spikes, 310,000.

Keys withdrawn with a view to obtain Keys in Colony.

50 Cast Steel Reversible Crossings, with legs for Fish
Plates, to suit Rails of the following leads:—

25 Crossings, 1 in 7½.

25 " 1 in 9.

25 Equal-tongued Switches, 12 ft.

25 " " 15 ft.—

Probable cost £46,818 0 0

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Extension, Muswellbrook to Murrurundi.

Rails, 5,068.

Chairs, 162,500.

Fish Plates, 44,000.

Bolts and Nuts, 88,000.

Spikes, 315,000.

Keys withdrawn with a view to obtain Keys in the Colony.

50 Cast Steel Reversible Crossings, &c.

25 Crossings, 1 in 7½.

25 " 1 in 9.

25 Equal-tongued Switches. 12 ft.

25 " " 15 ft.—

Probable Cost £51,694 0 0

(3.) There were 879 persons employed in the Railway Department on the 1st
January, 1869.

(4.) Amount paid for salaries, wages, piece work, &c.—£35,559 19s. 4d.

Mr. Eagar withdrew the Question No. 3.

2. Papers:—

(1.) Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Letter from H. G. Alleyne, Esq., Health
Officer, dated 12 January, 1869, with Report from Superintendent at Quarantine
Station, Spring Cove, in reference to certain complaints made by Mr. Henry Selby.
Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Reports dated, respectively, 23 December,
1867, 24 December, 1867, 20 June, 1868, and 19 December, 1868, from the Sydney
Water Commission.
Ordered to be printed.

3. Claims to Water-frontage to Pymont Bay:—Mr. Neale presented a Petition from
Mr. Thomas Smith, land-owner on Pymont Bay, praying that a certain arrange-
ment, (as therein set forth) respecting water frontages in the Bay, be left
undisturbed.
Petition received.

4. Papers:—Mr. Sutherland laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) Return to Order, in reference to "Erection of Flood-gates at Wallis Creek,"
made by this House, on motion of Mr. Burns, on 15 December, 1868.
(2.) Report on the Floods in the Hunter, dated 9 July, 1868.
Ordered to be printed.

5. Motions Withdrawn:—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for
to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named:—

(1.) No. 1. By Mr. Byrnes.

(2.) No. 3. By *Mr. Lloyd*, on behalf of Mr. Macleay.

6. Widow of Dr. Bland (*"Formal" Motion*):—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Parkes,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Bell,	Dr. Lang,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Lloyd.
Mr. W. Campbell,	

Noes, 14.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. De Salis,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Graham,	

7. Orphan Schools at Parramatta (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Lyons moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, shewing the amount voted annually, during the last five years, for the repairs, additions, and improvements at the Protestant and Roman Catholic Orphan Schools at Parramatta,—such Return to specify the amounts expended from such vote annually during that period upon each establishment.
Question put and passed.
8. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*Point of Order*):—The Speaker, referring to Mr. Lee's Notice of Motion No. 16 on the Paper for to-day, for the appointment of a Select Committee on this *Private Bill*, said that,—as the advertisements in the *Government Gazette* and newspapers produced by Mr. Lee on the 8th instant (*see Entry 4 in Votes and Proceedings No. 19*) were all of earlier date than the three months prescribed by the 62nd Standing Order, and did not sustain the allegations in the Petition presented on the 5th instant,—it would be necessary for the matter to be placed in Order before any further progress could be made with the Bill.
9. Motion Withdrawn:—Whereupon *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Lee, withdrew the said Motion No. 16, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
10. Electoral Returns (*"Formal" Motion*):—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Statement of the aggregate Population, and of the number of Electors, in each Electorate of the Colony, respectively, at the latest period to which the account can be brought down.
Question put and passed.
11. Alleged Insanity of H. J. O'Farrell (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence which may have passed between Mr. Frederick Lee, Secretary of the Society for the Abolition of Capital Punishment, and between any other person or persons, and the Government, in reference to the alleged insanity of H. J. O'Farrell.
Question put and passed.
12. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Byrnes withdrew the Motion No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
13. Dr. Frederick Beer:—Mr. Driver presented a Petition from Frederick Beer, M.D., C.D., and O.D., praying that this House will, under the circumstances set forth in his Petition, recommend the Petitioner to the favorable consideration of Her Majesty for a Special Pardon for a certain offence therein described, of which he was convicted in 1856, and for which he duly served his sentence of imprisonment.
Petition received.
14. Duties of Master in Equity:—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the duties performed by the Master in Equity, and the expediency of altering existing arrangements connected with the Master's Office.
(2.) Such Committee to consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Driver, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
15. Motions Dropped:—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day, not having been made by the Members in whose names they respectively stand, dropped:—
(1.) No. 5. Mr. Tunks.
(2.) Nos. 7 and 8. Mr. Farnell.
16. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Garrett withdrew the Motion No. 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
17. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Morrice not making the Motion No. 10 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.

18. Railway Trial Survey from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway:—Mr. R. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 (1.) That it is the opinion of this House that steps should be taken to ascertain the distance and the best practicable route for a line of Railway from Sydney to the Great Northern Railway.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
19. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. R. Stewart withdrew the Motion No. 12 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
20. Training Ship "Vernon":—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the general management of the Training Ship "Vernon."
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Alexander, Mr. Farnell, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Burns, and the Mover.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
21. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Driver withdrew the Motion No. 15 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
22. Removal of Mr. Simon Cullen from Roman Catholic Orphan School, Parramatta:—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence, from the first day of last June, relating to charges against Mr. Simon Cullen, and to his removal from office as a teacher in the Roman Catholic Orphan School.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
23. Non-Ministerial Office Holders who have been Members of the Legislative Assembly:—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing:—
 (1.) The names of all gentlemen who became non-ministerial office holders, in the service of the Government, after being elected Members of the Legislative Assembly, since the year 1856.
 (2.) The date of their election as Members of the Assembly.
 (3.) The date of their appointment as office holders.
 (4.) The nature of the office.
 (5.) The salary attached to the office.
 (6.) The name of the Ministry at the time of the appointment.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
24. Motion Dropped:—Mr. Tunks not making the Motion No. 21 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
25. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Lee, withdrew the Motion No. 22 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
26. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 1 postponed, on motion of Mr. Eagar, until Friday next.
27. Triennial Parliaments Bill:—Dr. Lang moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate on this question postponed, on motion of Mr. Burns, until Friday next.
28. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—Order of the Day, for the second reading of this Bill, read.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Nineteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Alexander, Mr. Bell, Mr. Burns, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Tighe,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at a quarter before Eight o'clock, until To-morrow, at three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13.

Questions :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Whether the Municipal Council of the City of Sydney annually transmit to the Colonial Secretary a report of their proceedings, and an account of their receipts and expenditure, in accordance with section 75 of the Act 20 Victoria, number 36?
(2.) If so, when the last report was laid before Parliament?
2. MR. DE SALIS *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Will the Hon. the Treasurer have any objection to lay upon the Table of this House, at an early period, a Return from the Customs of the Imports and Exports of Breadstuffs for the year 1868, in a form similar to that annually published in the Statistical Registers?
3. MR. HOSKINS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) On what date is the Contractor, who undertook the formation, ballasting, and laying the permanent way, on that portion of the Great Northern Railway between Muswellbrook and Scone, required to have the whole of the work completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways?
(2.) Has the District Engineer reported to the Government that the progress hitherto made by the said contractor has been satisfactory, and that there is every probability of the contract being finished within the prescribed period?
(3.) What is the amount of fine set forth in the general conditions and specifications of such contract, for which the said contractor is liable, in the event of the contract not being completed within the stipulated period,—and do the Government intend to enforce such penalties?
(4.) Does the said contract include the formation of the approaches, erection of the piers, and construction of the bridge over the Hunter River at Aberdeen? If so, what progress has been made with such work?
4. MR. MARTIN *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Is he aware of the establishment of a new Bank, called the Mercantile Bank of Sydney, the paid-up capital of which is stated to be £100,000, and which offers to receive deposits to a limited amount, repayable on demand, and bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum?
(2.) Can he state whether the Bank in question is a Joint Stock Company, or not, and whether the law of this colony,—which requires the periodical publication of a statement of the liabilities and assets of Banks, and the recording of the name of their proprietors,—applies to such Bank?
(3.) If such law does not so apply, will the Government take such steps as may be necessary to protect the public by bringing such Bank within the operation of the law referred to?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill; second reading.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
3. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. DR. LANG *to move*, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed through the counting-out of the House on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
2. MR. DRIVER *to move*, That the Petition presented by him from Frederick Beer, on the 12th January, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—
(1.) Was a certificate of title granted about July, 1865, to William Sixsmith for 30 acres of Land, being a portion of 1,200 acres originally granted to James Chandler, known as Bexley?
(2.) Did Mr. Sixsmith, or his Agent, deposit in the Lands Titles Office an abstract of his title, together with a plan of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed?
(3.) Did the Registrar General advertise 26 acres or thereabouts, being lots 2 and 4 of section 5 of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed? If so, upon what grounds did the Registrar General grant Mr. Sixsmith a certificate for 30 acres?
(4.) Did the Registrar General and Examiners of Titles, anterior to granting a Certificate of Title to Mr. Sixsmith, receive information in writing that a Bill was pending in Equity affecting the applicant's Title?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; second reading.
2. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.
3. Widow of Dr. Bland; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
4. Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's.
5. Triennial Parliaments Bill; Debate on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
3. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
4. MR. LEE to move,—
(1.) That the Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, to grant Mining Leases, be referred to a Select Committee, for consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Piddington, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Nowlan, Mr. Burns, and the Mover.
5. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WILSON to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report on the Petition of Mrs. Singleton, presented by him on the 5th January.
(2.) That said Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Burns, Mr. Bell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Neale, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic., No. 10, to the County of Cumberland.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. GARRETT to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.

6. MR. DRIVER to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—

(1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.

(2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.

(3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.



New South Wales.

No. 21.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 13 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Reports from Municipal Council of Sydney:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Whether the Municipal Council of the City of Sydney annually transmit to the Colonial Secretary a report of their proceedings, and an account of their receipts and expenditure, in accordance with section 75 of the Act 20 Victoria, number 36?

(2.) If so, when the last report was laid before Parliament?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) On the 24th April, 1868.

- (2.) Imports and Exports of Breadstuffs for 1868:—Mr. De Salis asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Will the Hon. the Treasurer have any objection to lay upon the Table of this House, at an early period, a Return from the Customs of the Imports and Exports of Breadstuffs for the year 1868, in a form similar to that annually published in the Statistical Registers?

Mr. Samuel answered,—There will be no objection to the production of the report.

- (3.) Great Northern Railway between Muswellbrook and Scone:—Mr. Hoskins asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) On what date is the Contractor, who undertook the formation, ballasting, and laying the permanent way, on that portion of the Great Northern Railway between Muswellbrook and Scone, required to have the whole of the work completed to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Chief for Railways?

(2.) Has the District Engineer reported to the Government that the progress hitherto made by the said contractor has been satisfactory, and that there is every probability of the contract being finished within the prescribed period?

(3.) What is the amount of fine set forth in the general conditions and specifications of such contract, for which the said contractor is liable, in the event of the contract not being completed within the stipulated period,—and do the Government intend to enforce such penalties?

(4.) Does the said contract include the formation of the approaches, erection of the piers, and construction of the bridge over the Hunter River at Aberdeen? If so, what progress has been made with such work?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) On 31st December, 1869.

(2.) No. The progress has not been satisfactory.

(3.) One hundred pounds per week. The question of the enforcement of the penalty will be determined by the Government at the time it arises.

(4.) No. An indent for the wrought iron girders, &c., was sent to England in June last.

Mr. Martin withdrew the Question No. 4.

2. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill :—Mr. Josephson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. Parkes, until to-morrow.
 The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at half-past Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
 OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—
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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Josephson, That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. DR. LANG *to move*, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed through the counting-out of the House on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
2. MR. DRIVER *to move*, That the Petition presented by him from Frederick Beer, on the 12th January, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

Questions :—

1. MR. MARTIN *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 (1.) Is he aware of the establishment of a new Bank, called the Mercantile Bank of Sydney, the paid-up capital of which is stated to be £100,000, and which offers to receive deposits to a limited amount, repayable on demand, and bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum?
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2. MR. TUNKS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is it true that Mr. Richard Creagh, a clerk in the Shipping Master's Office, has been elected an Auditor for the City of Sydney; and, if so, is Mr. Creagh permitted to hold such office by the Government?
3. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount of Rails, Chairs, and other permanent way materials, had the Government in stock on December 31st, 1868?
 - (2.) Has the contractor for No. 5 section, Great Western Railway, applied to the Government to be furnished with such materials; and have the Government taken steps to have a regular supply of Rails, Chairs, &c., forwarded to the said contractor, to enable him to proceed with his contract with reasonable expedition?
 - (3.) Have the Government a sufficient number of Locomotive Engines in stock for the ordinary requirements of the Passenger and Goods Traffic of the Railway, together with furnishing the contractors for the various extensions of the Railways, with permanent way materials, as required?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. LEE to move (*on the Motion being called on to refer "Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill" to a Select Committee*), That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill being proceeded with.

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6. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
7. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.

8. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria, Cap. 43.
9. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of, and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic. No. 24 at places other than Towns.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WILSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report on the Petition of Mrs. Singleton, presented by him on the 5th January.
 - (2.) That said Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Burns, Mr. Bell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Neale, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
7. MR. MORRICE to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the Training Ship "Vernon;" the cost of fitting that vessel up; the amount paid for salaries, books, provisions, &c.; the cost per head of maintaining the boys thereon, including proportion of interest on original cost of vessel and fitting up; and also, of the number of boys on board, and of the persons employed thereon.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.

New South Wales.

No. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 14 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—

William Sixsmith—Bexley Estate :—Mr. Lucas asked the Solicitor General, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) Was a certificate of title granted about July, 1865, to William Sixsmith for 30 acres of Land, being a portion of 1,200 acres originally granted to James Chandler, known as Bexley?

(2.) Did Mr. Sixsmith, or his Agent, deposit in the Lands Titles Office an abstract of his title, together with a plan of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed?

(3.) Did the Registrar General advertise 26 acres or thereabouts, being lots 2 and 4 of section 5 of the Bexley Estate, according to the original sub-division by John Garsed? If so, upon what grounds did the Registrar General grant Mr. Sixsmith a certificate for 30 acres?

(4.) Did the Registrar General and Examiners of Titles, anterior to granting a Certificate of Title to Mr. Sixsmith, receive information in writing that a Bill was pending in Equity affecting the applicant's Title?

Mr. Josephson answered,—It is very inconvenient, and, I think, improper, that such questions as these should be asked in the House. The matters have passed through the Court, and Certificate of Title has been issued. If there had been any objection to the title, it should have been made before it was issued. In this case I have acquired all the necessary information, and I do not feel indisposed to answer the questions of the honorable member; but in future, if such questions are asked, I shall decline to answer them, as all information can be obtained from the proper officer.

(1.) A certificate was granted.

(2.) An abstract was deposited in the Lands Titles Office, but no plan of the Bexley Estate was deposited.

(3.) The Registrar General did advertise the land as 26 acres, or thereabouts; but in the notices, which were sent to all the neighbours, plans of the 30 acres that were granted in the certificates were sent to them.

(4.) Notice that a Bill was pending in Equity was given in a letter to the Registrar General before the issuing of this certificate.

2. Dr. Frederick Beer (*Formal Motion*) :—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him from Frederick Beer, on the 12th January, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Collector of Customs Superannuation Bill :—

The Debate, on the motion of Mr. Josephson, That this Bill be now read a second time,—resumed and continued.

Motion made by Mr. Cummings, and Question put (after Debate), That this Debate be now adjourned until To-morrow.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hart,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Eckford,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Garrett,	
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. Hurley.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Tunks,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Nowlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lyons,	
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Lucas,	

Main Question stated.
Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit until after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 15 JANUARY, 1869, A.M.—

Main Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Burdekin,	Dr. Lang,
Mr. Hart,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hurley,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Alexander,	
Mr. Gordon,	

Noes, 24.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Tunks,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Roberts,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. De Salis.

Order of the Day then discharged, on motion of Mr. Wilson.
Bill then discharged, on motion of Mr. Wilson.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at a quarter after One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15.

Questions :—

1. MR. MARTIN to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
(1.) Is he aware of the establishment of a new Bank, called the Mercantile Bank of Sydney, the paid-up capital of which is stated to be £100,000, and which offers to receive deposits to a limited amount, repayable on demand, and bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum?
(2.) Can he state whether the Bank in question is a Joint Stock Company, or not, and whether the law of this colony,—which requires the periodical publication of a statement of the liabilities and assets of Banks, and the recording of the name of their proprietors,—applies to such Bank?
(3.) If such law does not so apply, will the Government take such steps as may be necessary to protect the public by bringing such Bank within the operation of the law referred to?
2. MR. TUNKS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is it true that Mr. Richard Creagh, a clerk in the Shipping Master's Office, has been elected an Auditor for the City of Sydney; and, if so, is Mr. Creagh permitted to hold such office by the Government?

3. MR. HOSKINS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
- (1.) What amount of Rails, Chairs, and other permanent way materials, had the Government in stock on December 31st, 1868?
 - (2.) Has the contractor for No. 5 section, Great Western Railway, applied to the Government to be furnished with such materials; and have the Government taken steps to have a regular supply of Rails, Chairs, &c., forwarded to the said contractor, to enable him to proceed with his contract with reasonable expedition?
 - (3.) Have the Government a sufficient number of Locomotive Engines in stock for the ordinary requirements of the Passenger and Goods Traffic of the Railway, together with furnishing the contractors for the various extensions of the Railways, with permanent way materials, as required?
4. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
- (1.) Who was the contractor for the Receiving House at the Redfern Railway Station?
 - (2.) How many tenders were received for the works,—the names of the tenderers,—and the amount of their respective tenders?
 - (3.) What is the amount claimed for extras performed at this Receiving House?
 - (4.) Will the Hon. the Minister for Works lay on the Table of this House, a copy of the accounts and demands made for extras on the above job?
5. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
- (1.) Is it true that an officer, holding a responsible position under the Government, has been reported to the Registrar General, for making three false declarations of Births?
 - (2.) What is that officer's name, and what steps, if any, has the Government taken in the matter?
6. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
- (1.) Have the Government received a memorial, signed by seventy-two (72) residents of Smithfield, Prospect Creek, and neighbourhood, complaining of the conduct of Mr. A. T. Holroyd, one of the Trustees of the Western Road *via* Cabramatta, and recommending his removal from the Trust?
 - (2.) What steps do the Government intend to take in the matter?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. LEE to move (*on the Motion being called on to refer "Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill" to a Select Committee*), That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill being proceeded with.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; second reading.
2. Suburban Water Supply Bill; second reading.
3. Widow of Dr. Bland; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
4. Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's; consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's.
5. Triennial Parliaments Bill; Debate on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time.
6. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the Tolls now levied for the use of the Bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is illegal, contrary to the custom in like cases in other parts of this country, and in the highest degree unjust; and should therefore be forthwith abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
3. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
4. MR. LEE to move,—
 - (1.) That the Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, to grant Mining Leases, be referred to a Select Committee, for consideration and report.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Piddington, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. J. Campbell, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Nowlan, Mr. Burns, and the Mover.

5. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.
6. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
7. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
8. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43.
9. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic. No. 24 at places other than Towns.
10. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That leave of absence be given to the Honorable Member for The Gwydir, T. G. G. Dangar, Esquire, for the remainder of the present Session, on account of urgent private business.
11. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed through the counting-out of the House on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WILSON to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report on the Petition of Mrs. Singleton, presented by him on the 5th January.
 - (2.) That said Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Burns, Mr. Bell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Neale, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
3. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.

7. Mr. MORRICE to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the Training Ship "Vernon;" the cost of fitting that vessel up; the amount paid for salaries, books, provisions, &c.; the cost per head of maintaining the boys thereon, including proportion of interest on original cost of vessel and fitting up; and also, of the number of boys on board, and of the persons employed thereon.
8. Mr. MORRICE to move,—
- (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Government should take steps to cause the late Colonial Treasurer to refund the unauthorized sums of money, paid out of the Treasury, for cab hire in conveying Members of Parliament to vote in favour of the late Government on questions before this House.
 - (2.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid out of the Treasury by him for the Lunch given by the late Government at the opening of the Railway Station at Marulan.
 - (3.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid by him out of the Treasury as gratuities to certain Government officers.
 - (4.) That the foregoing resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.



New South Wales.

No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 15 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Mercantile Bank of Sydney:—Mr. Martin asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Is he aware of the establishment of a new Bank, called the Mercantile Bank of Sydney, the paid-up capital of which is stated to be £100,000, and which offers to receive deposits to a limited amount, repayable on demand, and bearing interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum?

(2.) Can he state whether the Bank in question is a Joint Stock Company, or not, and whether the law of this colony,—which requires the periodical publication of a statement of the liabilities and assets of Banks, and the recording of the name of their proprietors,—applies to such Bank?

(3.) If such law does not so apply, will the Government take such steps as may be necessary to protect the public by bringing such Bank within the operation of the law referred to?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) Mr. Alexander Campbell, who, I am informed, is the Managing Director of this Bank in this colony, has stated in writing,—which I will presently read,—that the Bank is a Joint Stock Bank: and if so, then the law of the colony applies to such Bank. I have not yet seen the original Deed of Settlement of the Company, but I will lay upon the Table of the House a copy thereof.

(3.) Yes.

The letter of Mr. Alexander Campbell is as follows:—

“The Mercantile Bank of Sydney,

“Sydney, 14 January, 1869.

“The Honorable the Colonial Secretary.

“SIR,

“In reply to your enquiry respecting the Mercantile Bank of Sydney, I beg to give you the following information:—

“1st. The Mercantile Bank of Sydney has lately been established in this city as a Bank of Deposit and Discount. Its capital is £120,000, of which £105,150 have already been paid up.

“2nd. The Bank is not a private, but is a Joint Stock Company, and its constitution will be found in a Deed of Settlement, of which I send you copy herewith. It contains the usual powers for increasing the capital, for the appointment of Directors, Auditors, and Officers, and for the establishment of Branches and Agencies.

“3rd. The Mercantile Bank is not a Bank of issue; but it will, nevertheless, publish, at stated periods, a statement of its affairs for public information, without reference to any statute—if any exist—requiring such information.

“As the Government may feel desirous of ascertaining the exact position of the Bank at the present time, and in order to avoid any misapprehension on the subject, I beg to hand you herewith a statement of its assets and liabilities made up at the close of business yesterday afternoon.

“I have the honor to remain,

“Sir,

“Your obedt. servant.

“ALEXR. CAMPBELL.”

(2.)

(2.) Mr. Richard Creagh:—Mr. Tunks asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Is it true that Mr. Richard Creagh, a clerk in the Shipping Master's Office, has been elected an Auditor for the City of Sydney; and, if so, is Mr. Creagh permitted to hold such office by the Government?

Mr. Samuel answered,—Some days since, on my attention being directed to the circumstance of the election of Mr. Richard Creagh, as a City Auditor, I called upon the Shipping Master to state whether Mr. Creagh was regular in attendance to his duties, and whether his appointment as City Auditor interfered in any way with the duties of his office under the Government. The Shipping Master reported as follows:—

“ I have the honor to report, for the information of the Honorable the Minister for Finance and Trade, that Mr. Richard Creagh is regular in his attendance, continuous in his duties, and no out-door matters with which he may be connected have hitherto interfered in the slightest degree with his office business during working hours.

“ WM. E. SHORTER, S.M.

“ Shipping Master's Office,
“ Jany. 9, 1869.”

I have not yet been able to ascertain whether Mr. Creagh can legally hold both offices. If not, or if anything interferes with the duties of his office, I shall insist upon his resigning one or the other.

Mr. Hoskins withdrew the Question No. 3.

(3.) Receiving House, Redfern Railway Station:—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) Who was the contractor for the Receiving House at the Redfern Railway Station?

(2.) How many tenders were received for the works,—the names of the tenderers,—and the amount of their respective tenders?

(3.) What is the amount claimed for extras performed at this Receiving House?

(4.) Will the Hon. the Minister for Works lay on the Table of this House, a copy of the accounts and demands made for extras on the above job?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) Stoddard and Medway.

(2.) Advertised twice—on first occasion 5 Tenders were received, viz:—

W. and A. E. Elphinstone	...	...	...	...	£6,235	0	0
Kelly and M'Leod	...	...	...	...	6,170	0	0
R. and W. M'Creddie	...	...	...	...	7,261	0	0
A. Loveridge	...	...	...	...	7,032	0	0
Hudson, Brothers	...	...	...	...	6,470	0	0

On the second occasion 7 Tenders were received, viz:—

Kelly and M'Leod	8 months	...	...	...	£6,170	0	0
Stoddard and Medway	7	”	...	...	5,500	0	0
R. and W. M'Creddie	8	”	...	...	7,130	0	0
W. and A. E. Elphinstone	8	”	...	...	6,235	0	0
H. and R. Hudson	8	”	...	...	5,890	0	0
A. Loveridge	8	”	...	...	5,834	0	0
George Michael	12	”	...	...	5,359	0	0

(3.) £2,634 5s. 6d.

(4.) Yes.

(4.) False Declarations of Births:—Mr. Farnell asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) Is it true that an officer, holding a responsible position under the Government, has been reported to the Registrar General, for making three false declarations of Births?

(2.) What is that officer's name, and what steps, if any, has the Government taken in the matter?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) It has been reported to the Registrar General that the Locomotive Foreman of the Great Southern, Western, and Richmond Railways has given false information as to the birth of three children.

(2.) His name is William Scott.—The case has been referred to the Crown Law Officers; but final decision, as to the course to be pursued, has not been arrived at

(5.) Mr. A. T. Holroyd, as a Road Trustee:—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—

(1.) Have the Government received a memorial, signed by seventy-two (72) residents of Smithfield, Prospect Creek, and neighbourhood, complaining of the conduct of Mr. A. T. Holroyd, one of the Trustees of the Western Road *vid* Cabramatta, and recommending his removal from the Trust?

(2.) What steps do the Government intend to take in the matter?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) A Petition was received from a number of inhabitants of these localities, making certain charges against Mr. Holroyd. The number of persons signing the Petition cannot just now be stated, because, according to the usual practice of the Department in such cases, the original Petition has been forwarded to Mr. Holroyd and his Co-Trustees for their reply to the allegations contained in it.

(2.) The steps which the Government will take, must, of course, depend on the nature of the answer (not yet received) of the Trustees.

2. Land taken by Hunter River Railway:—Mr. Lee presented a Petition from Alexander Walker Scott, formerly of the city of Newcastle, but now of Sydney, Esquire, one of the Trustees of the Newcastle Proprietary Grammar School, setting forth an unsatisfied claim on account of land near Honeysuckle Point, Newcastle, taken by the Hunter River Railway, and praying for enquiry, with a view to relief, in the premises.
Petition received.
3. Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill (“*Formal*” *Motions*):—
(1.) Mr. Lee moved, pursuant to *Contingent Notice*, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill being proceeded with.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Lee then moved, pursuant to *Notice*,—
(1.) That the Bill to enable William and Samuel Clift, of West Maitland, to grant Mining Leases, be referred to a Select Committee, for consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Piddington, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. J. Campbell, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Nowlan, Mr. Burns, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
4. Leave of Absence (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to *Notice*, That leave of absence be given to the Honorable Member for The Gwydir, T. G. G. Dangar, Esquire, for the remainder of the present Session, on account of urgent private business.
Question put and passed.
5. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) Prevention Bill:—Mr. Nowlan having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to prevent the spread of Oidium Tuckeri*,”—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed and read a second time this day week.
6. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Ryan withdrew the Motion No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
7. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill:—Mr. Oatley moved, That this Bill “be” now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Hart moved, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words after the word “be,” with a view to inserting in their place the words “referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.”
“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lord, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Smart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and the Mover.”
Debate continued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.
Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted, in the place of the words omitted, be there inserted,—put and passed.
Wheretupon Question,—
(1.) That this Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report,—
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lord, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Smart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and the Mover,—put and passed.
8. Suburban Water Supply Bill:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill discharged, on motion of Mr. Lucas.
Bill then discharged, on motion of Mr. Lucas.
9. Widow of Dr. Bland (Order of the Day No. 3):—Dr. Lang moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for consideration of the propriety of continuing to the Widow of the late Dr. Bland, during the period of her natural life, the pension granted by this House to that lamented colonist, or such portion thereof as may be deemed expedient; and to address His Excellency the Governor, on that behalf, accordingly.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Eckford,	Mr. Garrett,
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Ryan,	

Noes, 18.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Bagar,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Forster,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lee,	
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. De Salis.

The Order of the Day was then discharged, on motion of Mr. J. Stewart.

10. Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's (Order of the Day No. 4):—Mr. Tunks moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 towards erecting a Public Wharf at Blue's Point, St. Leonard's.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Order of the Day then discharged, on motion of Mr. Tunks.
11. Triennial Parliaments Bill:—On the Order of the Day, No. 5, for the Debate on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time, being read,—Motion made by Mr. Burns, and Question put (after Debate), That the Order of the Day be postponed, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Driver,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Hill,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. S. Brown.

Noes, 13.

Mr. Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Neale,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

12. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Garrett,
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Oatley,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Windeyer.

Noes, 5.

Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Cummings,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. De Salis,
Mr. S. Brown.

Bill then read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Driver, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again this day week.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Forster, at a quarter before Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.

Questions:—

1. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
- (1.) What amount of Rails, Chairs, and other permanent way materials, had the Government in stock on December 31st, 1868?
 - (2.) Has the contractor for No. 5 section, Great Western Railway, applied to the Government to be furnished with such materials; and have the Government taken steps to have a regular supply of Rails, Chairs, &c., forwarded to the said contractor, to enable him to proceed with his contract with reasonable expedition?
 - (3.) Have the Government a sufficient number of Locomotive Engines in stock for the ordinary requirements of the Passenger and Goods Traffic of the Railway, together with furnishing the contractors for the various extensions of the Railways, with permanent way materials, as required?

2. MR. TUNKS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause the issue of,—
 - (1.) Certificates as provided by clauses 37 and 45 of the “ Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867 ? ”
 - (2.) Certificates of efficiency according to section 57 of the “ Regulations ” under the same Act? If so, when?
 - (3.) In the event of the issue of the Certificates being authorized before the end of the year, will they be sent to those entitled thereto, or will each Volunteer have to apply individually? If so, through whom, and how often?
3. MR. HANNELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When will the correspondence relating to the Special Audit of the Accounts of the Newcastle Borough Council, by Messrs. Buyers and M’Kenzie, be laid upon the Table of this House?
4. MR. RODD *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether any person or persons, not connected with the Government,—and if so, who—have been allowed to take Notes or Copies of the Evidence given before the Select Committee in Braidwood, to enquire into the state of crime in that District?
5. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When will the Government fix on the site for the Railway Station at Kelso?
 - (2.) Will the Government arrange with the Contractor to commence the work at Kelso, with a view of getting it completed as soon as possible?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WILSON *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report on the Petition of Mrs. Singleton, presented by him on the 5th January.
 - (2.) That said Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Burns, Mr. Bell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Neale, Mr. Wisdom, and the Mover.
2. MR. BYRNES *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
3. MR. MACLEAY *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
4. MR. BYRNES *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
6. MR. DRIVER *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
7. MR. MORRICE *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the Training Ship “ Vernon ; ” the cost of fitting that vessel up ; the amount paid for salaries, books, provisions, &c. ; the cost per head of maintaining the boys thereon, including proportion of interest on original cost of vessel and fitting up ; and also, of the number of boys on board, and of the persons employed thereon.
8. MR. MORRICE *to move*,—
 - (1.) That this House is of opinion that the Government should take steps to cause the late Colonial Treasurer to refund the unauthorized sums of money, paid out of the Treasury, for cab hire in conveying Members of Parliament to vote in favour of the late Government on questions before this House.
 - (2.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid out of the Treasury by him for the Lunch given by the late Government at the opening of the Railway Station at Marulan.
 - (3.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid by him out of the Treasury as gratuities to certain Government officers.
 - (4.) That the foregoing resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
9. MR. LEE *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on 15th January, from Alexander Walker Scott, Esquire, relative to Land taken by Hunter River Railway, be printed.
10. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.)

- (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
- (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.
11. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
12. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
13. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
14. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.
15. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
16. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
17. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43.
18. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic. No. 24 at places other than Towns.
19. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed through the counting-out of the House on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21.

Question:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Whether the Railway Station and Goods Warehouse, on the Great Western Railway, for the Terminus of the Mudgee and Great Western Interior traffic, has been decided upon?
 (2.) Is the above-mentioned Terminus to be on Piper's Flat, and if so, where?
 (3.) Have Tenders been called for a Station and Goods Shed for the Mudgee Terminus?
 (4.) Will the Station and Goods Shed be completed by the time Mr. Higgins finishes his No. 5 Contract?

FRIDAY,

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) prevention Bill; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill; Debate on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Return to Order, in reference to "Proposed Road to Gladcsville *via* Five Dock," laid on the Table on 7th January instant, be printed.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions :—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
2. MR. WALKER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of all Tenders, Papers, and Correspondence with the Government, connected with the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson, for a run of vacant Crown Lands upon the confines of the Albert and Darling Pastoral Districts, under the name of "Menindie East," No. 19.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

New South Wales.

No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 19 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Railway Materials:—Mr. Hoskins asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to amended Notice No. 1,—

(1.) What amount of Rails, Chairs, and other permanent way materials, had the Government in stock on December 31st, 1868?

(2.) Has the contractor for No. 5 section, Great Western Railway, applied to the Government to be furnished with such materials; and have the Government taken steps to have a regular supply of Rails, Chairs, &c., forwarded to the said contractor, to enable him to proceed with his contract with reasonable expedition?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) Double Headed Rails	...	...	17,762 = 132,333½ yards.
Steel	...	...	876 = 6,666 yards.
Chairs	...	...	155,904
Fish Plates	...	...	58,277
Bolts and Nuts	...	...	36,000
Spikes	...	...	57,100
Points, Switches, and Crossings	...	...	20 sets.

(2.) No. But the contractor has been requested to make application, as arrangements have been made to have supplies forwarded, according to contract.

- (2.) Certificates under Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867:—Mr. Tunks asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No 2,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to cause the issue of,—

(1.) Certificates as provided by clauses 37 and 45 of the "Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867?"

(2.) Certificates of efficiency according to section 57 of the "Regulations" under the same Act? If so, when?

(3.) In the event of the issue of the Certificates being authorized before the end of the year, will they be sent to those entitled thereto, or will each Volunteer have to apply individually? If so, through whom, and how often?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) Certificates under section 37 (to exempt from attendance on Juries) may be obtained on application, in writing, addressed to the Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding. Certificates under section 45 (to entitle the efficient Volunteer to a Grant of Land) will be dealt with on application, in writing, to the Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding, as soon as practicable after the applicant has become entitled to it.

(2.) Certificates of efficiency will be granted to each efficient member as early as practicable after the 1st January in each year, on application being made to the Lieutenant-Colonel Commanding.

(3.) Each Volunteer considering himself entitled, should apply, in writing, as stated in the replies to the above questions.

(3.)

(3.) Special Audit of Accounts, Newcastle Borough Council :—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of *Mr. Hannell*, asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—When will the correspondence relating to the Special Audit of the Accounts of the Newcastle Borough Council, by Messrs. Buyers and M'Kenzie, be laid upon the Table of this House?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The completion is delayed for the copy of a letter, for which application has been made to the Mayor of Newcastle; otherwise, the Papers would be ready. As this letter is required to complete the correspondence, it is delayed; but if the Mayor of Newcastle continues to leave unanswered the letter addressed to him, we will lay the Papers on the Table, such as we have.

(4.) Evidence before Braidwood Commission :—*Mr. Rodd* asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Whether any person or persons, not connected with the Government,—and if so, who—have been allowed to take Notes or Copies of the Evidence given before the Select Committee in Braidwood, to inquire into the state of crime in that District?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I am not aware of any person, not connected with the present Government, having been allowed by us to take Notes or Copies of the Evidence in question; but having ascertained that the late Colonial Secretary (*Mr. Parkes*) gave a person, not connected with the then Government, a copy of *Mr. Hassall's* evidence, and *Mr. Hassall* having lately applied for other portions of the evidence relating to his case, the present Government caused to be copied for him such portions as the Solicitor General thought advisable.

Mr. Cummings not asking the Question No. 5, it dropped.

2. Paper :—*Mr. Forster* laid upon the Table, Abstract of Crown Lands reserved from Sale until Surveyed, for the preservation of Water Supply or other public purposes, in accordance with the 4th section of the Act 25 Vict., No. 1, during the period from 16 December, 1868, to 15 January, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) :—The undermentioned Petitions, praying, respectively, for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies where Vines are infected with the said disease, were presented by the Members named :—

(1.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Maitland, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By *Mr. Burns*.

(2.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the Town and neighbourhood of Illawarra, and others interested in the production thereof. By *Mr. J. Stewart*.

(3.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Prospect and Fairfield, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By *Mr. Farnell*.

(4.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Yass, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By *Mr. De Salis*. Petitions received.

4. *Mrs. Mary Singleton* ("Formal" Motion) :—*Mr. Wilson* moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report on the Petition of *Mrs. Singleton*, presented by him on the 5th January.

(2.) That said Committee consist of *Mr. Forster*, *Mr. Lucas*, *Mr. Burns*, *Mr. Bell*, *Mr. Tighe*, *Mr. Farnell*, *Mr. Dodds*, *Mr. Neale*, *Mr. Wisdom*, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

5. Motions Withdrawn :—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named :—

(1.) Nos. 2 and 4. By *Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of *Mr. Byrnes*.

(2.) Nos. 12 and 13. By *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Wisdom*.

(3.) No. 14. By *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Lee*.

(4.) No. 5. By *Mr. Garrett*.

(5.) No. 6. By *Mr. Driver*.

6. Land taken by Hunter River Railway ("Formal" Motion) :—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Lee*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by *Mr. Lee*, on 15th January, from *Alexander Walker Scott*, Esquire, relative to Land taken by Hunter River Railway, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

7. Police Regulation Extension Bill ("Formal" Motion) :—*Mr. Farnell* moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic. No. 24 at places other than Towns.

Question put and passed.

8. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan :—*Mr. Macleay* moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.		Noes, 8.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Lord,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Macleay,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Garrett,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. De Salis,	<i>Tellers.</i>	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Bell,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Morrice.	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. Farnell,		

9. Police Regulation Extension Bill:—Mr. Farnell having *presented* this Bill, Bill intituled “*A Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vic. No. 24 at places other than Towns.*”—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
10. Papers:—
(1.) Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Return of Imports and Exports of Breadstuffs for 1868. (*In reference to Question (2) in Votes and Proceedings, No. 21.*)
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers:—
(1.) Letter, dated 15 January, 1869, from Visiting Surgeon, Roman Catholic Orphan School, Parramatta, relating to certain fees and the treatment of the children in that Institution.
(2.) Letter from Darlinghurst Gaol, dated 13th March, 1868, and signed by “F. R. Bernard,” relating to the late convict O’Farrell.
Ordered to be printed.
11. Training Ship “Vernon”:—Mr. Morrice moved pursuant to Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the cost of the Training Ship “Vernon;” the cost of fitting that vessel up; the amount paid for salaries, books, provisions, &c.; the cost per head of maintaining the boys thereon, including proportion of interest on original cost of vessel and fitting up; and also, of the number of boys on board, and of the persons employed thereon.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
12. Unauthorized Expenditure from the Treasury:—Mr. Morrice moved, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—
(1.) That this House is of opinion that the Government should take steps to cause the late Colonial Treasurer to refund the unauthorized sums of money, paid out of the Treasury, for cab hire in conveying Members of Parliament to vote in favour of the late Government on questions before this House.
(2.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid out of the Treasury by him for the Lunch given by the late Government at the opening of the Railway Station at Marulan.
(3.) Also to refund the unauthorized sums of money paid by him out of the Treasury as gratuities to certain Government officers.
(4.) That the foregoing resolutions be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Garrett moved the Previous Question.
Debate ensued.
Previous Question put,—That that Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 12.	
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Tighe,	Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Forster,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. De Salis,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Egan,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. J. Stewart,		Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Phelps.
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Farnell,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Macleay,	Mr. S. Brown.	Mr. Bell,	

Main Question then put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 10.	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Macleay,	Mr. Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Bell,	Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Alexander,	Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Oatley.
Mr. Sutherland,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. De Salis,	
Mr. Egan,		Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. S. Brown,	Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Morrice.	Mr. Isaacs,	
Mr. Gordon,			

13. Motions Withdrawn:—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named:—
(1.) No. 10. By *Mr. J. Stewart*, on behalf of Mr. R. Stewart.
(2.) No. 11. By Mr. Cummings.

14. Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Further Correspondence respecting Application for Grant of Site of Sydney Infirmary Buildings. (*See Entry 7 (3) in Votes and Proceedings, No. 1.*)
Ordered to be printed.
15. Motions Withdrawn :—Mr. Tunks withdrew the Motions Nos. 15 and 16, on the Notice Paper for to-day.
16. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—Mr. Farnell moved, pursuant to notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43.
Question put and passed.
17. Motion Dropped :—Dr. Lang not making the Motion No. 19 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
18. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) :—Mr. Bell presented a Petition from certain proprietors of Vineyards in the Town and neighbourhood of Merriwa, and others interested in the productions thereof, praying for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies where vines are infected with the said disease.
Petition received.
19. Supply :—Order of the Day No. 1, for the resumption of the Committee, read.
And a discussion arising,—
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson (after Debate), at Nine o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20.

Questions :—

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(1.) Is he aware that the present Contractor for the direct Mail between Yass and Gundaroo does not run the route described in the *Gazette* notifying the acceptance of his tender?
(2.) Has the Postmaster General taken any, and what steps, to cause the present Contractor to run the route tendered for by the Yass River and Mungoonan route?
(3.) Is the Postmaster General aware that the Yass River and Mungoonan Road passes through the township of Gundaroo, and that this was the road petitioned for in the Petition presented by the inhabitants of Yass, asking the Government to establish the Mail?
(4.) Will the Postmaster General cause the present Contractor to carry the Mails over the route—travelled during the term of the contract lately expired, *via* Yass River and Mungoonan?
2. MR. LORD *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the Government to levy any contribution this year under the Scab Act of 1866?
3. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Were any of the Tenders for Rolling Stock, received by the Minister in November last, considered reasonable?
(2.) Were any of the Tenders accepted?
(3.) Were any of the Tenderers considered responsible persons, qualified to complete the work, if their Tenders had been accepted?
4. MR. PARKES *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Will he be good enough to state the name of the "person unconnected with the Government" to whom was given, by direction of the late Colonial Secretary, a copy of Mr. Hassall's evidence before the Braidwood Commission?
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GOVERNMENT

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 - (2.) What is the name of said contractor,—when is he required to complete such contract,—and what progress hitherto has been made with the work ?

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Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has he received any official report on the execution, by Mr. Glasheen, of his contract to complete Kalondah Causeway to the satisfaction of the Government ; and, if so, to what effect ?
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 - (1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta ?
 - (2.) If so, what is its amount ?
 - (3.) What is the sum thus received by each of the schools during the last three years ?
 - (4.) Into what fund is the money paid ?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. S. BROWN to move, (on the motion being called on for adoption of the report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith,) That the owners of land opposing the prayer of the Petition of said Thomas Smith, be heard by counsel at the bar of this House.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) prevention Bill ; second reading.
2. Triennial Parliaments Bill ; Debate on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.

4. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan ; Consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
5. Police Regulation Extension Bill ; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Return to Order, in reference to "Proposed Road to Gladesville *via* Five Dock," laid on the Table on 7th January instant, be printed.
2. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act, 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
3. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
4. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
6. MR. LEE to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, a sum not exceeding £300 towards re-roofing and general repairs to the Maitland Hospital, on condition that an equal sum be raised by private subscription.
7. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted ; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions :—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
2. MR. WALKER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of all Tenders, Papers, and Correspondence with the Government, connected with the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson, for a run of vacant Crown Lands upon the confines of the Albert and Darling Pastoral Districts, under the name of "Menindie East," No. 19.
3. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
4. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
5. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
4. MR. R. STEWART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.

New South Wales.

No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 20 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Mail between Yass and Gundaroo :—Mr. De Salis asked the Postmaster General, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Is he aware that the present Contractor for the direct Mail between Yass and Gundaroo does not run the route described in the *Gazette* notifying the acceptance of his tender?

(2.) Has the Postmaster General taken any, and what steps, to cause the present Contractor to run the route tendered for by the Yass River and Munday route?

(3.) Is the Postmaster General aware that the Yass River and Munday Road passes through the township of Gundaroo, and that this was the road petitioned for in the Petition presented by the inhabitants of Yass, asking the Government to establish the Mail?

(4.) Will the Postmaster General cause the present Contractor to carry the Mails over the route—travelled during the term of the contract lately expired, *via* Yass River and Munday?

Mr. Egan answered,—

(1.) I have been so informed.

(2.) Contractor was informed that, if he did not run the route tendered for, his contract would be cancelled; and the Postal Inspector has been sent to the locality to report upon the matter.

(3.) I am aware that previous Contractor travelled through the township, and that the Yass River and Munday Road was specified in the Petition for the line.

(4.) The Contractor will be compelled to carry out the terms of his contract, or his contract will be cancelled.

- (2.) Scab Act of 1866 :—Mr. Lord asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Is it the intention of the Government to levy any contribution this year under the Scab Act of 1866?

Mr. Forster answered,—The proclamation appeared in yesterday's *Gazette*, fixing the contribution at ten shillings per thousand.

Mr. R. Stewart not asking the Question No. 3, it dropped.

- (3.) Evidence before Braidwood Commission :—Mr. Parkes asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Will he be good enough to state the name of the "person unconnected with the Government" to whom was given, by direction of the late Colonial Secretary, a copy of Mr. Hassall's evidence before the Braidwood Commission?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I presume that the honorable member, in using these words quoted here, refers to my answer to the question given yesterday; and if the honorable gentleman does so refer, he will see he has quoted them inaccurately. I said "unconnected with the then Government"—not "unconnected with the Government,"—which, I presume, is the Government now in office. I do not say that these papers have not been exhibited to gentlemen unconnected with the Government; but I did say that they were exhibited to a gentleman unconnected with the then Government. That gentleman was Mr. J. F. Josephson—he being at that time unconnected with the Government then in office.

(4.)

(4.) Railway Locomotive Engines:—Mr. Hoskins asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) What number of Locomotive Engines have the Government in stock to meet the ordinary requirements of the passenger and goods traffic on the Great Southern and Western Railways?

(2.) Have the Government, in addition to the number of Locomotive Engines required for the ordinary passenger and goods traffic on the Great Southern and Western Railways, Locomotive Engines available to convey permanent way materials to the contractors for the various extensions of said Railways?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) 30.

(2.) We have no additional engines, but we have made arrangements to have the materials conveyed for the various contractors.

(5.) Collector of Customs:—Mr. Farnell asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—Whether it is true that the Collector of Customs recently applied to Mr. Willis, a clerk in the Customs, the words,—“You are a damned liar,”—in connection with matters arising out of a late Parliamentary Debate; and whether, at the suggestion of certain of his subordinates, Mr. Duncan subsequently apologized to Mr. Willis, for the use of such improper language.

Mr. Samuel answered,—I have communicated with the Collector of Customs, and that gentleman assures me there is no truth in either statement.

2. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Parkes moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

3. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—Mr. Wilson moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee “to inquire into and report on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton,” and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable Bourn Russell, Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 20th January, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

4. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri):—The undermentioned Petitions, praying, respectively, for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies where Vines are infected with the said disease, were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Bathurst, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Piddington.

(2.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Dubbo, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Piddington.

(3.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the Clarence River District, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Piddington.

(4.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Carcoar, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Lee.

Petitions received.

5. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination—*Special Report*:—

(1.) Mr. Macleay, with the concurrence of the House, moved (without notice), That the Select Committee on Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination have leave to make a *Special Report*.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Macleay then, as Chairman, brought up from the said Committee a *Special Report*, which was read at length by the Clerk by direction of the Speaker, as follows:—

SPECIAL REPORT.

The Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed on the 15th December, 1868,—“with power to send for persons and papers,”—“to inquire into and report upon the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination,—alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country; and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder—alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators,—the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—beg to submit the following *Special Report* to your Honorable House:—

Your Committee beg to report to your Honorable House, that, on Friday, 15th day of January, instant, the Honorable James Martin, a Member of your Honorable House, and a Member of this Committee, was duly summoned before the Committee to give evidence concerning the matters which formed the subject of the Committee's enquiry, and failed either to attend or to explain to the Committee the cause of his absence.

That,

That, on Tuesday, the 19th, and on Wednesday, the 20th day of January, instant, he was also duly summoned to give evidence, and on both occasions failed to appear, and furnished the Committee with no reason for his disregard of the summons of the Committee.

Your Committee, in conformity with the practice of Parliament, beg to report the conduct of the Honorable James Martin to your Honorable House.

No. 2 Committee Room,

Sydney, 20th January, 1869.

WILLIAM MACLEAY,

Chairman.

6. Paper:—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Correspondence respecting Detention in Quarantine of the steam-ship "Kaikoura."
Ordered to be printed.
7. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*)—("Formal" Motions):—
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Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
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Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(5.) Mr. Bell moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him, on the 19th January, from the Vinegrowers of Merriwa, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
8. Ways and Means:—On the Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means being read,—
Mr. Samuel moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Mr. Piddington moved, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words after the word "That," with a view to inserting in their place the words,— "it is the opinion of this House that the proposal of the Colonial Treasurer, embodied in his Estimate of Ways and Means for the year 1869, to borrow £100,000 to meet the third Instalment of short dated Debentures, due on 31st December, 1869, is contrary to the stipulation contained in the 1st section of the short dated Loan Act, 29 Vic., No. 4, and highly prejudicial to the public credit."
(2.) That the above Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to "His Excellency the Governor."
Motion made by Mr. Eagar, and Question put (after Debate), That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.
The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Burns.
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Isaacs,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. J. Stewart,	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Hurley,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Burdekin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Phelps,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Lloyd.
Mr. Terry,	

Main Question stated.

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

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Mr. Forster,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. W. Campbell,
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Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

Original Question then put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means accordingly.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 21 JANUARY, 1869, A.M.—

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at eight minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

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 - (2.) What is the name of said contractor,—when is he required to complete such contract,—and what progress hitherto has been made with the work?
4. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Government has received a Petition from Messrs. Wellington, Edwards, and others, proprietors of a Quartz Crushing Machine, at Grenfell, praying the Government to investigate an encroachment upon the water right of the above-named Petitioners, by a Mr. F. A. Martin, of the same place?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to instruct the Southern Gold Commissioner to investigate the same; if so, when?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. GARRETT *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Petitions, Memorials, and other Correspondence between the Government and other persons, relative to the Petition for the incorporation of the Municipality of Numba, and for the incorporation of South Shoalhaven.
2. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.

3. MR. GARRETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
4. MR. HILL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *viâ* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has he received any official report on the execution, by Mr. Glasheen, of his contract to complete Kalondah Causeway to the satisfaction of the Government; and, if so, to what effect?
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 26.

Question :—

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 - (1.) Is it the practice, or has it been the practice, of the Darlinghurst Gaol authorities, to exclude insane criminals from the padded cells which have been fitted up in the Gaol for Lunatics?
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 - (3.) Is it true that a straight waistcoat was placed on Lindsay, and that he was allowed only one hour per day for exercise, and then in the yard common to the criminal prisoners?
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 - (6.) Has Lindsay, since then, been removed to, and detained at, Parramatta Lunatic Asylum; and, if so, on whose report, and for what reason?

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1. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions :—
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 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.

TUESDAY,

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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
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 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
 4. MR. R. STEWART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General v. Elliott and Others.
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New South Wales.

No. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 21 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

Mr. Lucas not asking the Question No. 1, it dropped.

- (1.) Railway Trial Surveys :—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) The amount of the unexpended balance of the Votes for Railway Trial Surveys?

(2.) What steps have been taken, or is it intended to take, for Surveys for the proposed extensions from Bathurst to Orange, and from Murrurundi to Armidale?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) £3,734 4s. 6d.

(2.) Steps have been taken for carrying out the Surveys for the proposed extension from Bathurst to Orange, but none for that between Murrurundi and Armidale.

- (2.) Bridge over River Hunter, at Aberdeen :—Mr. Hoskins asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Has a contract been entered into with any person for the formation of the approaches, erection of the piers, and construction of the Bridge over the Hunter River, at Aberdeen, on the Great Northern Railway?

(2.) What is the name of said contractor,—when is he required to complete such contract,—and what progress hitherto has been made with the work?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) No contract has yet been entered into for the formation of the approaches or erection of the piers; but the wrought-iron girders and the cast-iron cylinders for the piers were ordered from England, in June last.

(2.) Park Gate Iron Company, in England, for the piers and bridge. It is now being constructed, and is expected to arrive in the Colony in June next.

- (3.) Encroachment on Water Right at Grenfell :—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) Whether the Government has received a Petition from Messrs. Wellington, Edwards, and others, proprietors of a Quartz Crushing Machine, at Grenfell, praying the Government to investigate an encroachment upon the water right of the above-named Petitioners, by a Mr. F. A. Martin, of the same place?

(2.) Is it the intention of the Government to instruct the Southern Gold Commissioner to investigate the same; if so, when?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) An appeal has been made to the Government, by Messrs. Wellington and Company, against a decision of the local Magistrate, in favour of Messrs. F. A. Martin and Company, having reference to cutting a water race and erecting a dam.

(2.) The matter has been referred to the Western Gold Commissioner, for inquiry and report.

2. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) :—The undermentioned Petitions, praying respectively, for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies where Vines are infected with the said disease, were presented by the Members named :—
- (1.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Wagga Wagga, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Graham.
- (2.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Goulburn, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Graham.
- Petitions received.
3. Vote of Credit :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker.

BELMORE,

Governor.

Message No. 4.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 54th clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends, for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, that provision be made for defraying, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony, from the 1st to the 31st of January, in the year 1869, at the rates which have been sanctioned for the year 1868.

Government House,

Sydney, 21st January, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of Supply.

4. Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill :—Mr. Lee, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on 15th January, 1869.
- Ordered to be printed.
- Mr. Lee then moved, That the second reading of this Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*) stand an Order of the Day for Friday Week.
- Question put and passed.
5. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—Mr. Farnell having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to Amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43*"—read a first time.
- Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday Week.
6. Mrs. Mary Singleton :—Mr. Wilson, *with the concurrence of the House*, moved (without notice), That the Return to an Address of the Legislative Council, containing Copies of Correspondence relating to the "*Land Claim of Mrs. Mary Singleton*," ordered by the Council to be printed on 5th December, 1855, be referred to the Committee now sitting on the Petition of "*Mrs. Mary Singleton*." Question put and passed.
7. Incorporation of Numba and of South Shoalhaven ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. Garrett moved, pursuant to Notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Petitions, Memorials, and other Correspondence between the Government and other persons, relative to the Petition for the incorporation of the Municipality of Numba, and for the incorporation of South Shoalhaven.
- Question put and passed.
8. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Hill withdrew the Motion No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
9. Ways and Means :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
- The Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.
- Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, that the said Resolution be received on Wednesday next.
10. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
- In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 20th day of January, 1869, requesting leave for the Honorable Bourn Russell, a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, the Council acquaints the Assembly, that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.
- Legislative Council Chamber,
- Sydney, 21st January, 1869.
- T. A. MURRAY,
President.
11. Supply :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And

And the Committee having continued to sit till after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 22 JANUARY, 1869, A.M.,—

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Has he received any official report on the execution, by Mr. Glasheen, of his contract to complete Kalondah Causeway to the satisfaction of the Government; and, if so, to what effect?
(2.) Whether any, and if any, what conditions of the contract remain to be fulfilled by Mr. Glasheen, to enable him to obtain payment of the amount due to him?
2. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intends shortly to establish Post Office Savings Banks, similar to those which have been for some years in operation in Great Britain and a neighbouring Colony?
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta?
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(1.) Has Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, the Under Secretary for Lands, made application, under the Superannuation Act, to retire from the Civil Service?
(2.) Has his application been approved of?
(3.) What amount has been fixed as his retiring pension?
(4.) When will Mr. Fitzpatrick be entitled to avail himself of his retiring pension?
7. MR. MORRICE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Why the Sunday trains for the country districts only proceed to and return from Penrith on the Western line, and Picton on the Southern line?
(2.) Have the Government any intention to alter this recent arrangement, and allow the Sunday trains to proceed to the terminus on each line, as formerly?
8. MR. MORRICE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) Are any of the Funds expended by the Windsor and Richmond Road Trusts derived from the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony?
(2.) If so, is the Secretary of the said Road Trusts—a Member of this House—paid a salary out of such funds?

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11. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed on Tuesday, the 19th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
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13. MR. GARRETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Ways and Means ; reception of Resolution from Committee.
3. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.

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1. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
2. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill ; second reading.

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 5. MR. HILL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *via* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.
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New South Wales.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 22 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Kalondah Causeway :—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Has he received any official report on the execution, by Mr. Glasheen, of his contract to complete Kalondah Causeway to the satisfaction of the Government; and, if so, to what effect?

(2.) Whether any, and if any, what conditions of the contract remain to be fulfilled by Mr. Glasheen, to enable him to obtain payment of the amount due to him?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) The report that Mr. Glasheen had completed the work at Luskietyre, was received on 21st instant.

(2.) The amount is in course of payment.

- (2.) Post Office Savings Banks :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Whether the Government intends shortly to establish Post Office Savings Banks, similar to those which have been for some years in operation in Great Britain and a neighbouring Colony?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The Government have not had an opportunity of considering questions of this kind. They have been but a very short time in office, and have had ample business of a very pressing character to deal with; but if ever we do get into recess, we will consider this matter.

- (3.) Apprentices Fees, Orphan Schools, Parramatta :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta?

(2.) If so, what is its amount?

(3.) What is the sum thus received by each of the schools during the last three years?

(4.) Into what fund is the money paid?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I have made certain inquiries, and have had answers which do not seem to me fully to meet the questions of the honorable member; and as I want to be very explicit and clear with regard to my answers to these questions, I promise the honorable member to be ready with them at the next meeting of the House.

- (4.) Great North Western Road, from Willow Tree to Narrabri :—Mr. Lloyd asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—If it be the intention of the Government to declare the Great North Western Road, from Willow Tree to Narrabri, a first or second class road for the year 1869?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—The classification of Minor Roads for 1869 is now under the consideration of the Government.

- (5.) William Emery :—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) Has a title to seventy-two acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, selected on the 25th June, 1863, by William Emery, been issued?

(2.) If so, to whom?

(3.) If the title has not been issued to William Emery, for what reasons?

Mr.

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) For the seventy-two acres described in Emery's application, no Deed has issued.

(2.) See above.

(3.) Because he declines to take the land as measured for him. But it may be as well to explain, that, for the land which Emery claims to have selected, or some part of it, a Deed has issued to Isaac Barclay, because Barclay is considered to have a prior title.

(6.) Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, Under Secretary for Lands :—Mr. R. Stewart asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—

(1.) Has Mr. M. Fitzpatrick, the Under Secretary for Lands, made application, under the Superannuation Act, to retire from the Civil Service?

(2.) Has his application been approved of?

(3.) What amount has been fixed as his retiring pension?

(4.) When will Mr. Fitzpatrick be entitled to avail himself of his retiring pension?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) Yes.

(3.) Two-thirds of his present salary (£800),—but subject to the deduction named in the 6th clause of the Superannuation Act.

(4.) Mr. Fitzpatrick has been entitled to avail himself of his pension at any time since the approval of his application, on 11th June, 1868; but he was, I am informed, requested by the late Secretary for Lands to continue to perform his duties in terms of the 4th clause of that Act.

(7.) Sunday Railway Trains :—Mr. Morrice asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—

(1.) Why the Sunday trains for the country districts only proceed to and return from Penrith on the Western line, and Picton on the Southern line?

(2.) Have the Government any intention to alter this recent arrangement, and allow the Sunday trains to proceed to the terminus on each line, as formerly?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) This arrangement was made by a previous Government, and approved by His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council; but I am not aware of the reasons that led to its adoption.

(2.) The subject is now under the consideration of the Government.

(8.) Windsor and Richmond Road Trusts :—Mr. Morrice asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—

(1.) Are any of the Funds expended by the Windsor and Richmond Road Trusts derived from the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony?

(2.) If so, is the Secretary of the said Road Trusts—a Member of this House—paid a salary out of such funds?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) No, but I believe the salary of the Secretary is charged against the Tolls, &c., levied by the Trust under the Act 18th Victoria No. 16.

2. Balmain Cemetery, Petersham :—Mr. S. Brown presented a Petition from certain Owners and Occupiers of Land in the Parish of Petersham, complaining of the establishment of the said Cemetery, and praying for a certain specific mode of relief in the premises.
Petition received.

3. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*) :—The undermentioned Petitions, praying, respectively, for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies where Vines are infected with the said Disease, were presented by the Members named :—

(1.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Campbelltown, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Hurley.

(2.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Corowa, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Garrett.

(3.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Central Cumberland, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Lackey.

(4.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Appin, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Lackey.

(5.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Port Macquarie, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Nowlan.

(6.) From certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Clarence Town, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales. By Mr. Nowlan.

Petitions received.

4. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill :—Mr. Hart, *with the concurrence of the House*, moved (without notice), That the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Assembly, on 15th January, 1869, to consider and report upon the Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill, have power to send for persons and papers.

Question put and passed.

5. Proposed Road to Gladesville *viâ* Balmain and Five Dock ("Formal" Motion):—
Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Return to Order, in reference to "Proposed Road to Gladesville *viâ* Five Dock," laid on the Table on 7th January instant, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Motions Withdrawn:—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motions Nos. 4 and 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
7. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri)—("Formal" Motions):—
(1.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 21st January, from the Vinegrowers of the District of Wagga Wagga, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 21st January, from the Vinegrowers of the District of Goulburn, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
8. Special Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn till Wednesday, the 27th instant.
Question put and passed.
9. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri):—Order of the Day (No. 1) for the Second Reading of the Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri) Prevention Bill, read.
Order of the Day then discharged, and Bill withdrawn, on motion of Mr. Nowlan.
10. Triennial Parliaments Bill (Order of the Day No. 2):—Debate ensued, on the motion of Dr. Lang, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. J. Stewart,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. S. Brown.
Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Garrett,	

Noes, 20.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Nowlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. De Salis.

Mr. Martin then moved, That the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill be discharged.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Neale,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Oatley.
Mr. Phelps,	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Tighe,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Burns.
Mr. R. Stewart,	

The numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question to have passed in the affirmative.

Mr. Martin then moved, That the Bill be discharged.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Neale,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Oatley.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Josephson,
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Driver.

The numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question to have passed in the affirmative.

11. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—On the Order of the Day (No. 3) for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill, being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for such further consideration.

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The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, with amendments.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Driver, That the Adoption of this Report stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

12. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan :—The Order of the Day (No. 4) for the Consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent,—having been read,—

Mr. J. Stewart moved, That this Order of the Day be discharged.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cunneen, that this Order of the Day be postponed, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

13. Police Regulation Extension Bill (Order of the Day No. 5) :—Mr. Farnell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

And Bill read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Farnell, adopted that report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Wednesday next.

14. Postponements :—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of Mr. Byrnes, postponed the Motions Nos. 2 and 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

15. Mr. Lee withdrew the Motion No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

16. Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith :—

(1.) The Motion No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day being "*called on*," and Mr. S Brown not making the *Contingent Motion* standing in his name at the head of the Business Paper, the *Contingent Motion* dropped.

(2.) Mr. Tunks proceeding to make the said Motion No. 7,—

Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present.

Whereupon the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Burns, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Bagar, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hart, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lee, Mr. Martin, Mr. Neale, Mr. Parkes, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, and Mr. Tunks,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at twenty-four minutes before Nine o'clock, until Three o'clock on *Wednesday* next.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1869.

MEMO.—*The House meets at Three o'clock, this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27.

Questions :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Railway Station and Goods Warehouse, on the Great Western Railway, for the Terminus of the Mudgee and Great Western Interior traffic, has been decided upon?
 - (2.) Is the above-mentioned Terminus to be on Piper's Flat, and if so, where?
 - (3.) Have Tenders been called for a Station and Goods Shed for the Mudgee Terminus?
 - (4.) Will the Station and Goods Shed be completed by the time Mr. Higgins finishes his No. 5 Contract?
2. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) What are the charges upon the Superannuation Fund for 1868?
 - (2.) What is the amount of contributions to that Fund for the same year?
3. MR. TUNKS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When will the Annual Statement of all Moneys paid under the Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867, be laid before Parliament, as required by clause 51 of the same Act?

4. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
- (1.) Is it the practice, or has it been the practice, of the Darlinghurst Gaol authorities, to exclude insane criminals from the padded cells which have been fitted up in the Gaol for Lunatics?
 - (2.) In what description of cell was G. Lindsay confined, who was lodged in the Gaol on or about the 13th Oct., 1868, under a sentence of one month's imprisonment for a common assault, in default of his obtaining sureties to keep the peace?
 - (3.) Is it true that a straight waistcoat was placed on Lindsay, and that he was allowed only one hour per day for exercise, and then in the yard common to the criminal prisoners?
 - (4.) Did the committal papers in Lindsay's case suggest that he was insane?
 - (5.) Did the Medical Officer of the Gaol recommend to the Visiting Justice that Lindsay should be flogged for malingering; and, if so, was any, and, if any, what, punishment, inflicted on him in consequence of that recommendation?
 - (6.) Has Lindsay, since then, been removed to, and detained at, Parramatta Lunatic Asylum; and, if so, on whose report, and for what reason?

Contingent Notice of Motion:—

1. MR. MARTIN *to move (as an amendment on the Motion for going into Committee of Supply),—*
 - (1.) That this House is of opinion, that the arbitrary removal, by the Government, of Mr. Berney from the office of Collector of Customs, and Mr. Jones from the office of First Landing Surveyor, without any charge of incompetency, neglect, or misconduct having been proved, or even made against them, is prejudicial to the honor of the Crown, unjust to the gentlemen so removed, and calculated to impair the efficiency of the public service.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SAMUEL *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Ways and Means; reception of Resolution from Committee.
3. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. J. CAMPBELL *to move,—*
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is unadvisable for the Government to hand over to any corporate body whatever, any Public Works of a reproductive character, such as bridges, &c., which have been constructed by borrowed money.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. PIDDINGTON *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Bathurst, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.
3. MR. PIDDINGTON *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Dubbo, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.
4. MR. PIDDINGTON *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of the Clarence River, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.
5. MR. S. BROWN *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain inhabitants of Petersham, relating to the Cemetery lately established there, be printed.
6. MR. GARRETT *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from the Vinegrowers of Corowa, be printed.
7. MR. HURLEY *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from the Proprietors of Vineyards, and others in the District of Campbelltown interested in the cultivation of the Vine, be printed.
8. MR. LACKEY *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from residents of the District of Central Cumberland, in favour of a Bill to prevent Disease in the Vine, be printed.
9. MR. LACKEY *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from residents of the District of Appin, in favour of a Bill to prevent Disease in the Grape Vine, be printed.
10. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.)

- (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
11. Mr. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
 12. Mr. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
 13. Mr. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
 14. Mr. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
 15. Mr. LEE to move, That the Petition presented by him on 20th January, from certain proprietors of Vineyards, in the District of Carcoar, be printed.
 16. Dr. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed on Tuesday, the 19th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
 17. Mr. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the subject of the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, with power to send for persons and papers.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Parkes, Mr. Neale, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Forster, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Byrnes, and the Mover.
 18. Mr. GARRETT to move, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Police Regulation Extension Bill; third reading.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28.

Questions:—

1. Mr. MORRICE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If any money has been paid to Mr. William Roberts, Solicitor, of this City, since the 1st of January, 1868? If so, what was the amount; what were the services rendered by that gentleman; by whom was he retained; and did his employment receive the sanction of the Executive Council?
2. Mr. MORRICE to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Was any money paid to any person on behalf of Mr. J. T. B. Frazer, by the late Colonial Treasurer, after Mr. Frazer's dismissal from the public service; and if so, how much, and to whom?
 - (2.) Are there any vouchers for this payment in the Audit Office; or any minute of the Auditor General, or Collector of Customs, shewing what services were rendered for the money so received?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*); second reading.
2. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill reported; adoption of the Report.
4. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. RYAN to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
4. MR. R. STEWART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.
5. MR. HILL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *via* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.
6. MR. WALKER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson for a Run upon the River Darling, named Menindie East, No. 19, of June, 1866,—and all subsequent correspondence with the Government relative thereto; also the original Tenders for the Runs known as "Wambah," "Outer Wambah," and "East Wambah," alleged to embrace the land applied for by Mr. Neilson,—together with all papers or correspondence relating thereto.

New South Wales.

No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 27 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

Mr. Lucas withdrew the Question No. 1.

- (1.) Superannuation Fund :—*Mr. J. Stewart* asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) What are the charges upon the Superannuation Fund for 1868?

(2.) What is the amount of contributions to that Fund for the same year?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) Pensions	£10,562	2	1
Gratuities to Officers who have retired from ill-health	551	5	0
Gratuities to the relatives of deceased Officers	3,029	1	10
Brokerage on Sale of Debentures	10	0	0
Refund of improper deductions	14	14	0

Total £14,167 2 11

(2.) Deductions from Salaries of Public Officers	£ 9,974	8	7
Interest on Investments in Debentures	521	4	8

Total £10,495 18 2

- (2.) Moneys paid under Volunteer Force Regulation Act :—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of *Mr. Tunks*, asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3, When will the Annual Statement of all Moneys paid under the Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867, be laid before Parliament, as required by clause 51 of the same Act?

Mr. Samuel answered,—I will presently lay the Return on the Table.

Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 4.

2. Paper :—*Mr. Forster* laid upon the Table, Abstract of Crown Lands reserved from Sale until Surveyed as Sites for future Villages, in accordance with the 4th Section of the Act 25 Victoria, No. 1, during the period from 21st April, 1868, to 10th December, 1868.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*)—("Formal" Motions) :—

- (1.) *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Piddington*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by *Mr. Piddington* on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Bathurst, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

- (2.) *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Piddington*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by *Mr. Piddington* on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Dubbo, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.)

- (3.) *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Piddington*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by *Mr. Piddington* on the 20th January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of the Clarence River, in favour of a Bill to protect the Vineyards of New South Wales from the extension of Diseases injurious to the Vine, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
- (4.) *Mr. Garrett* moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from the Vinegrowers of Corowa, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
- (5.) *Mr. Lackey* moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from residents of the District of Central Cumberland, in favour of a Bill to prevent Disease in the Vine, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
- (6.) *Mr. Lackey* moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from residents of the District of Appin, in favour of a Bill to prevent Disease in the Grape Vine, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
4. **Motions Withdrawn** :—The undermentioned Motions, on the Notice Paper of Other Business for to-day, were withdrawn, respectively, by the Members named :—
(1.) No. 10. By *Mr. R. Stewart*.
(2.) Nos. 13 and 14. By *Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of *Mr. Tunks*.
5. **Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri)**—(“*Formal*” *Motion*) :—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of *Mr. Lee*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by *Mr. Lee* on 20th January, from certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Carcoar, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. **Removal of *Mr. Samuel Charles* from the Commission of the Peace (“*Formal*” *Motions*)** :—
(1.) *Mr. Garrett* moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the subject of the removal of *Mr. Samuel Charles* from the Commission of the Peace,—with power to send for persons and papers.
(2.) That such Committee consist of *Mr. Parkes*, *Mr. Neale*, *Mr. J. Stewart*, *Mr. R. Stewart*, *Mr. Forster*, *Mr. S. Brown*, *Mr. Macleay*, *Mr. Josephson*, *Mr. Byrnes*, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
(2.) *Mr. Garrett* moved, pursuant to Notice, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee last Session, with reference to the removal of *Mr. Samuel Charles* from the Commission of the Peace, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider the same subject this Session, for their consideration and report.
Question put and passed.
7. **Police Regulation Extension Bill (“*Formal*” *Order of the Day*)**, on motion of *Mr. Farnell*, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Farnell then moved, That the Title of this Bill be “*An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns.*”
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, *Mr. Farnell* moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “*An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns,*”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27 January, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

8. **Paper** :—*Mr. Samuel* laid upon the Table, Statement of Payments during the year 1868, out of the Votes for Volunteers, and Naval Brigade. (Laid before Parliament, in pursuance of Act 31 Victoria, No. 5, Section 51.) (*See Question (2) above.*)
Ordered to be printed.
9. **Postponements** :—
(1.) *Mr. Samuel* postponed the Motion No. 1 on the Notice Paper of Government Business for to-day, to follow the Orders of the Day of Government Business.
(2.) The Order of the Day, No. 1 of Government Business, postponed, on motion of *Mr. Samuel*, to follow the Order of the Day, No. 3 of Government Business.
10. **Ways and Means**—reception of Resolution (Order of the Day, No. 2 of Government Business) :—The Chairman of Committees reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution, which was read a first time, as follows :—

(1.)

(1.) Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1869, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, the sum of £1,650.

Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time, and agreed to.

11. Vote of Credit:—

(1.) Supply:—The Order of the Day (No. 3 of Government Business) for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, and obtained leave to sit again to-day.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, *made with the concurrence of the House*, That the said Resolution be *now* received.

The Chairman then reported a Resolution, which was read a first time, as follows:—
(2.) Resolved, That a sum not exceeding £124,041 18s. 4d. be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony, for the month of January, 1869.

Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Ways and Means:—The *postponed* Order of the Day (No. 1 of Government Business) for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, *made with the concurrence of the House*, That the said Resolution be *now* received.

The Chairman then reported a Resolution, which was read a first time, as follows:—

(2.) Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Services of the year 1869, the sum of £124,041 18s. 4d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time, and agreed to.

12. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Samuel then moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice, for leave to bring in a Bill, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, No. (2.) to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Samuel having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869,*” read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

13. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read (pursuant to the leave recorded in entry No. 11 (1) above)—Mr. Samuel, moved, “That” the Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to *Contingent* Notice, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words after the word “That,” with a view to inserting in their place the words,—“this House is of opinion, that the arbitrary removal, by the Government, of Mr. Berney from the office of Collector of Customs, and Mr. Jones from the office of First Landing Surveyor, without any charge of incompetency, neglect, or misconduct having been proved, or even made against them, is prejudicial to the honor of the Crown, unjust to the gentlemen so removed, and calculated to impair the efficiency of the public service.

(2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.”

Debate ensued.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Hurley,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Morrice,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Noale,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Garrett,	
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Gordon,	

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Farnoll,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Parkes,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. De Sais.
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Lee,	
Mr. Lyons,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	
Mr. Tunks,	

Original question then put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at ten minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28.

Questions :—

1. MR. MORRICE *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—If any money has been paid to Mr. William Roberts, Solicitor, of this City, since the 1st of January, 1868? If so, what was the amount; what were the services rendered by that gentleman; by whom was he retained; and did his employment receive the sanction of the Executive Council?
2. MR. MORRICE *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Was any money paid to any person on behalf of Mr. J. T. B. Frazer, by the late Colonial Treasurer, after Mr. Frazer's dismissal from the public service; and if so, how much, and to whom?
 - (2.) Are there any vouchers for this payment in the Audit Office; or any minute of the Auditor General, or Collector of Customs, shewing what services were rendered for the money so received?
3. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Is it the practice, or has it been the practice, of the Darlinghurst Gaol authorities, to exclude insane criminals from the padded cells which have been fitted up in the Gaol for Lunatics?
 - (2.) In what description of cell was G. Lindsay confined, who was lodged in the Gaol on or about the 13th Oct., 1868, under a sentence of one month's imprisonment for a common assault, in default of his obtaining surties to keep the peace?
 - (3.) Is it true that a straight waistcoat was placed on Lindsay, and that he was allowed only one hour per day for exercise, and then in the yard common to the criminal prisoners?
 - (4.) Did the committal papers in Lindsay's case suggest that he was insane?
 - (5.) Did the Medical Officer of the Gaol recommend to the Visiting Justice that Lindsay should be flogged for malingering; and, if so, was any, and, if any, what, punishment, inflicted on him in consequence of that recommendation?
 - (6.) Has Lindsay, since then, been removed to, and detained at, Parramatta Lunatic Asylum; and, if so, on whose report, and for what reason?
4. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House a Lithograph or Sketch of the original Plan by which Town Allotments were sold at Ridal; such Lithograph or Sketch shewing, by some distinguishing colour, any lands reserved from sale,—and stating, in writing, the purpose for which each reserve was made in the first instance; and also; whether any and what portion of those reserves have been granted for any other purpose than that originally intended?
5. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) How long did it take the Contractor for the Receiving House at Redfern to complete that building?
 - (2.) Have the extras performed at this Receiving House been certified for; if so, by whom?
 - (3.) Has the Contractor been paid for those extras; if not, when will he be paid?
 - (4.) When will the promised documents—the accounts of the extras—be laid on the Table of this House?
6. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether the Railway Station and Goods Warehouse, on the Great Western Railway, for the Terminus of the Mudgee and Great Western Interior traffic, has been decided upon?
 - (2.) Is the above-mentioned Terminus to be on Piper's Flat, and if so, where?
 - (3.) Have Tenders been called for a Station and Goods Shed for the Mudgee Terminus?
 - (4.) Will it be a condition of the Contract that the Station and Goods Shed be completed by the time Mr. Higgins has contracted to finish his No. 5 Contract?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. FORSTER *to move*, That the Clerk have leave to return to the Surveyor General, the two Plans handed in by that officer to the Select Committee on "St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill," on 4th October, 1867, which are now in the possession of this House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill; second reading.
3. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. NOWLAN *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines, and to make provision for the cure thereof.

2. MR. NOWLAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Port Macquarie, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales, be printed.
3. MR. NOWLAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Clarence Town, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales, be printed.
4. MR. J. CAMPBELL to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is inadvisable for the Government to hand over to any corporate body whatever, any Public Works of a reproductive character, such as bridges, &c., which have been constructed by borrowed money.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. S. BROWN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain inhabitants of Petersham, relating to the Cemetery lately established there, be printed.
6. MR. HURLEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from the proprietors of Vineyards and others, in the District of Campbelltown, interested in the cultivation of the Vine, be printed.
7. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
8. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
9. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed on Tuesday, the 19th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*); second reading.
2. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill reported; adoption of the Report.
4. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. WILSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Evidence taken at the Central Police Office, on Tuesday, 19th January, on the application of Matthew Keeshan, Hamburgh Hotel, King-street, for a music license.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. **MR. RYAN** to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. **MR. GARRETT** to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
3. **MR. DRIVER** to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
4. **MR. R. STEWART** to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Becson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.
5. **MR. HILL** to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *via* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.
6. **MR. WALKER** to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson for a Run upon the River Darling, named Menindie East, No. 19, of June, 1866,—and all subsequent correspondence with the Government relative thereto; also the original Tenders for the Runs known as "Wambah," "Outer Wambah," and "East Wambah," alleged to embrace the land applied for by Mr. Neilson,—together with all papers or correspondence relating thereto.
7. **MR. WILSON** to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses; and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.
8. **MR. R. STEWART** to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
9. **MR. TUNKS** to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
10. **MR. TUNKS** to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
11. **DR. LANG** to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Nominal Return of all persons holding any public appointment on the 31st December, 1868, paid from the Votes for Salaries, appearing on the Estimates,—distinguishing the departments in which they serve, the offices they hold, their salaries, and other emoluments; dates of appointment to their present offices, length of Colonial public service, previous occupation, age, country, and religion.

New South Wales.

No. 29.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 28 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Mr. W. Roberts, Solicitor:—Mr. Morrice asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—If any money has been paid to Mr. William Roberts, Solicitor, of this City, since the 1st of January, 1868? If so, what was the amount; what were the services rendered by that gentleman; by whom was he retained; and did his employment receive the sanction of the Executive Council? *Mr. Samuel* answered,—The sum of £5 10s. 2d. was paid to Mr. Roberts on 7th August, 1868, for conducting the prosecution and for other professional services in the case, *Levy v. Downey*. He was retained by Mr. Levy. The payment does not appear to have been sanctioned by the Executive Council, but was authorized by the following Minute,—“As this assault was committed upon Mr. Levy, on matters arising out of the discharge of his public duty, I have no objection to its being paid out of the Vote for contingencies of the Customs Department. G.E.—30/7/68.”

Mr. Morrice withdrew the Question No. 2.

Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 3.

- (2.) Village of Rydal :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House a Lithograph or Sketch of the original Plan by which Town Allotments were sold at Rydal; such Lithograph or Sketch shewing, by some distinguishing colour, any lands reserved from sale,—and stating, in writing, the purpose for which each reserve was made in the first instance; and also, whether any and what portion of those reserves has been granted for any other purpose than that originally intended?

Mr. Forster answered,—This tracing, which I shall presently lay on the Table, is from the plan of the village of Rydal approved by the Executive Council in 1861, and by which all sales of allotments have been made. No reserves have been permanently dedicated in the Township. Temporary reserves are shewn with green edging. A portion of the 9½ acres marked on the design as Reserve for Market has been granted for Church purposes, but still leaving superabundance for original purpose. Another Church site has been promised within the space marked R reserved from sale on the plan.

- (3.) Receiving House, Redfern :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) How long did it take the Contractor for the Receiving House at Redfern to complete that building?

(2.) Have the extras performed at this Receiving House been certified for; if so, by whom?

(3.) Has the Contractor been paid for those extras; if not, when will he be paid?

(4.) When will the promised documents—the accounts of the extras—be laid on the Table of this House?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) Twenty-one months, including the time for extra works.

(2.) Not yet certified for. The account is now under examination and will be completed in about a week.

(3.) Extras not paid for, but may be in a few days after the adjustment of the accounts.

(4.) As soon as they are adjusted and certified as correct.

(4.)

- (4.) Railway Terminus, Mudgee and Great Western Traffic:—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—
- (1.) Whether the Railway Station and Goods Warehouse, on the Great Western Railway, for the Terminus of the Mudgee and Great Western Interior traffic, has been decided upon?
 - (2.) Is the above-mentioned Terminus to be on Piper's Flat, and if so, where?
 - (3.) Have Tenders been called for a Station and Goods Shed for the Mudgee Terminus?
 - (4.) Will it be a condition of the Contract that the Station and Goods Shed be completed by the time Mr. Higgins has contracted to finish his No. 5 Contract?
- Mr. Sutherland answered,—
- (1.) Yes.
 - (2.) Yes, near the end of Contract No. 5.
 - (3.) No.
 - (4.) Yes.
2. Papers:—
- (1.) Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Traced and Coloured Plan of the Village of Rydal, (in reference to Question Entry 1 (2) above).
 - (2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned papers:—
 - (1.) Despatch from Secretary of State, dated 3rd September, 1867, with copy of Imperial Vaccination Act.
 - (2.) Letter dated, Paris, September 1, 1868, from Mr. E. L. Montefiore (with enclosures) relative to the late Paris Exhibition.
 - (3.) Return to Order, in reference to "Electoral Returns," made by this House, on motion of Dr. Lang, on 12th January, 1869.
 - (4.) Return to Address, in reference to "Returns in reference to Felons Apprehension Act—Constable Carroll or Kennagh—Bushrangers Clarke—Administration of Justice"—adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Forster, on 30th July, 1867.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (3.) Mr. Sutherland laid upon the Table, Return to Order, in reference to "Orphan Schools at Parramatta," made by this House, on motion of Mr. Lyons, on 12th January, 1869.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri):—The undermentioned Petitions, praying, respectively, for legislation for the compulsory application of remedies, where Vines are infected with the said disease, were presented by Mr. Nowlan:—
- (1.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards and others, interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales (Camden and Narellan.)
 - (2.) From certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the district of Eden, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales.
Petitions received.
4. Clerk to return Plans handed in to a Select Committee—("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Forster moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Clerk have leave to return to the Surveyor General, the two Plans handed in by that officer to the Select Committee on "St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill," on 4th October, 1867, which are now in the possession of this House.
Question put and passed.
5. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill—("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines and to make provision for the cure thereof.
Question put and passed.
6. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri)—("Formal" Motions):—
- (1.) Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Port Macquarie, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (2.) Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain Proprietors of Vineyards in the District of Clarence Town, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine in New South Wales, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
 - (3.) Mr. Garrett, on behalf of Mr. Hurley, moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by Mr. Hurley on the 22nd January, from the proprietors of Vineyards and others, in the District of Campbelltown, interested in the cultivation of the Vine, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Balmain Cemetery, Petersham—("Formal" Motion):—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 22nd January, from certain inhabitants of Petersham, relating to the Cemetery lately established there, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.

8. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means, postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until Wednesday next.
9. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time. Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Samuel, adopted that report. Bill then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, *made with the concurrence of the House*, read a third time, and *passed*. Mr. Samuel then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869.*" Question put and passed. Whereupon, Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
- MR. PRESIDENT,
- The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
- Legislative Assembly Chamber,* Speaker.
Sydney, 28 January, 1869.
- Question put and passed.
10. Supply:—The Order of the day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow. The House adjourned on motion of Mr. Robertson, at half-past Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29.

Question:—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
- (1.) Is it the practice, or has it been the practice, of the Darlinghurst Gaol authorities, to exclude insane criminals from the padded cells which have been fitted up in the Gaol for Lunatics?
 - (2.) In what description of cell was G. Lindsay confined, who was lodged in the Gaol on or about the 13th Oct., 1868, under a sentence of one month's imprisonment for a common assault, in default of his obtaining sureties to keep the peace?
 - (3.) Is it true that a straight waistcoat was placed on Lindsay, and that he was allowed only one hour per day for exercise, and then in the yard common to the criminal prisoners?
 - (4.) Did the committal papers in Lindsay's case suggest that he was insane?
 - (5.) Did the Medical Officer of the Gaol recommend to the Visiting Justice that Lindsay should be flogged for malingering; and, if so, was any, and, if any, what, punishment, inflicted on him in consequence of that recommendation?
 - (6.) Has Lindsay, since then, been removed to, and detained at, Parramatta Lunatic Asylum; and, if so, on whose report, and for what reason?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*); second reading.
2. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill reported; adoption of the Report.
4. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
5. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to prevent the spread of diseases in Grape Vines and to make provision for the cure thereof.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BYRNES to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
4. MR. BYRNES to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
5. MR. WILSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Evidence taken at the Central Police Office, on Tuesday, 19th January, on the application of Matthew Keeshan, Hamburgh Hotel, King-street, for a music license.
6. MR. NOWLAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 28th January, from certain Vineyard Proprietors of Camden and Narellan, in favor of the passing of a Bill to prevent the spread of Oidium in Grape Vines, be printed.
7. MR. NOWLAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 28th January, from certain Vineyard Proprietors and others, in the district of Eden, in favor of the passing of a Bill to prevent the spread of Oidium in Vines, be printed.
8. DR. LANG to move for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the slaughtering of cattle within the city of Sydney.
9. MR. HART to move for leave to introduce a Bill to simplify the recovery of rates payable to the Municipal Council of Sydney under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853 and otherwise to amend the said Act.
10. MR. J. CAMPBELL to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is unadvisable for the Government to hand over to any corporate body whatever, any Public Works of a reproductive character, such as bridges, &c., which have been constructed by borrowed money.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Governor.
11. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
12. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
13. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed on Tuesday, the 19th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

Questions:—

1. MR. J. STEWART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive Apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta?
 - (2.) If so, what is its amount?
 - (3.) What is the sum thus received by each of the Schools during the last three years?
 - (4.) Into what fund is the money paid?

2. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
- (1.) Were M. Asher & Co. allowed to occupy and erect business premises on land reserved from sale in the town of Rydal, while the greater portion of the Government town allotments remain unsold?
 - (2.) Do the Government know that M. Asher & Co. have erected stabling and a water-closet on the descent to, and the latter within ten feet of, the only water from which the town's-people obtain their supply?
 - (3.) If the stabling and water-closet are so erected that any offensive matter from either of them can drain or percolate into the creek from which the people obtain water, will the Government cause those nuisances to be removed forthwith?
- OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—
1. MR. RYAN *to move*,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
 2. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
 3. MR. DRIVER *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
 4. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity.—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.
 5. MR. HILL *to move*, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *viz* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.
 6. MR. WALKER *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson for a Run upon the River Darling, named Menindie East, No. 19, of June, 1866,—and all subsequent correspondence with the Government relative thereto; also the original Tenders for the Runs known as "Wambah," "Outer Wambah," and "East Wambah," alleged to embrace the land applied for by Mr. Neilson,—together with all papers or correspondence relating thereto.
 7. MR. WILSON *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses; and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.
 8. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
 9. MR. TUNKS *to move*, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the "Road Metal Quarries" at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying "metal" to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.

10. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the "Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith," ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
 11. DR. LANG to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Nominal Return of all persons holding any public appointment on the 31st December, 1868, paid from the Votes for Salaries, appearing on the Estimates,—distinguishing the departments in which they serve, the offices they hold, their salaries, and other emoluments; dates of appointment to their present offices, length of Colonial public service, previous occupation, age, country, and religion.
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 29 JANUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Mr. Burns withdrew the Question.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill (“*Formal*” *Motion*) :—Mr. Byrnes moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland.
Question put and passed.
3. Motions Withdrawn :—
(1.) Mr. Wilson withdrew the Motion No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
(2.) *Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motions Nos. 1 and 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Grape Disease (Oidium Tuckeri)—(“*Formal*” *Motions*) :—
(1.) Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 28th January, from certain Vineyard Proprietors of Camden and Narellan, in favor of the passing of a Bill to prevent the spread of Oidium in Grape Vines, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Mr. Nowlan moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Petition presented by him on the 28th January, from certain Vineyard Proprietors and others, in the district of Eden, in favor of the passing of a Bill to prevent the spread of Oidium in Vines, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill (“*Formal*” *Motion*) :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the slaughtering of cattle within the City of Sydney.
Question put and passed.
6. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill (“*Formal*” *Motion*) :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice, for leave to introduce a Bill to simplify the recovery of rates payable to the Municipal Council of Sydney under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853 and otherwise to amend the said Act.
Question put and passed.
7. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Byrnes having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to the County of Cumberland,*”—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
8. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill :—Dr. Lang having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to prevent the Slaughtering of Cattle within the City of Sydney,*”—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day week.
9. Sunday Closing of Hair-dressers Shops :—Dr. Lang presented a Petition from certain Hair-dressers of the City of Sydney, praying for the passing of an Act of Parliament, to compel the closing of all Hair-dressers Shops on Sunday.
Petition received.
10. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill :—Mr. Hart, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on 15th January, 1869.
Ordered to be printed.

11. Cliffs Coal Properties Leasing Bill (*as agreed to in Select Committee*), on motion of Mr. Lee, read a second time (after debate).
Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Lee, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill. The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, Mr. Lee moved, That that Report be now adopted.
Question put.
The House divided,—
But, there being no tellers for the Nocs, no division could be had, and the Speaker declared the question to have passed in the affirmative.
Ordered then, on motion of Mr. Lee, that the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
12. Papers :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned papers :—
(1.) Municipalities—(By Laws, Borough of Cudgegong)—Dated 25 January, 1869.
(2.) Regulations, dated 13 January, 1869, Nautical School-ship "Vernon."
Ordered to be printed.
13. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—Mr. Farnell moved, that this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned, on motion of Mr. Driver, until this day week.
14. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill Reported :—Mr. Driver moved, "That" the Report from the Committee of the Whole on this Bill be now adopted.
Mr. Lucas moved, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words after the word "That," with a view to inserting in their place, the words "the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the Schedules."
Debate ensued.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. De Salis,	Mr. W. Campbell.
Mr. Wilson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Farnell.
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	

Nocs, 17.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Parkes,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. R. Stewart,	

Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in the place of the words omitted be there inserted,—put and passed.

Question then,—That the Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the Schedules,—put and passed.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Lucas, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Schedules without amendment,—

Mr. Driver moved, That this report be now adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Burdckin,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Byrnes.
Mr. W. Campbell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Cunneen,	

Nocs, 5.

Mr. Forster,
Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Piddington,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Dignam.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Driver, That the third reading of this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

15. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869*,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th Jany., 1869.

J. A. MURRAY,
President.

16. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill:—Mr. Hart having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to simplify the recovery of rates payable to the Municipal Council of Sydney under the Sydney Sewerage Act of 1853 and otherwise to amend the said Act,*"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday next.
17. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 4. of Other Business, postponed, on motion of Mr. Garrett, until this day week.
18. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill:—On motion of Mr. Nowlan, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines, and to make provision for the cure thereof.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—
Resolved, That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines, and to make provision for the cure thereof.
Mr. Nowlan then moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
19. Deepening of Parramatta River:—Mr. Byrnes moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
20. Public Works of a reproductive character:—Mr. J. Campbell moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is unadvisable for the Government to hand over to any corporate body whatever, any Public Works of a reproductive character, such as bridges, &c., which have been constructed by borrowed money.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to his Excellency the Governor.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Forster moved the Previous Question.
Debate ensued.
Previous Question by leave withdrawn.
Main Question by leave withdrawn.
21. Postponements:—
(1.) *Mr. Garrett*, on behalf of Mr. S. Brown, postponed the Motion No. 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until this day week.
(2.) Mr. Cummings postponed the Motion No. 12 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
22. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed on Tuesday, the 19th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.
And the Tellers handing in their Lists as follows:—

Ayes, 13.		Nocs, 5.
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cummings.	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Dodds,	Mr. J. Suttor,
Mr. Josephson,	<i>Tellers.</i>	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parkes,		Mr. De Salis,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Ryan.	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Garrett,	Dr. Lang.	
Mr. Mate,		

And it appearing by the said Lists that there was not a Quorum present, the Speaker adjourned the House at four minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

Questions :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive Apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta?
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3. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Is it the practice, or has it been the practice, of the Darlinghurst Gaol authorities, to exclude insane criminals from the padded cells which have been fitted up in the Gaol for Lunatics?
 - (2.) In what description of cell was G. Lindsay confined, who was lodged in the Gaol on or about the 13th Oct., 1868, under a sentence of one month's imprisonment for a common assault, in default of his obtaining sureties to keep the peace?
 - (3.) Is it true that a straight waistcoat was placed on Lindsay, and that he was allowed only one hour per day for exercise, and then in the yard common to the criminal prisoners?
 - (4.) Did the committal papers in Lindsay's case suggest that he was insane?
 - (5.) Did the Medical Officer of the Gaol recommend to the Visiting Justice that Lindsay should be flogged for malingering; and, if so, was any, and, if any, what, punishment, inflicted on him in consequence of that recommendation?
 - (6.) Has Lindsay, since then, been removed to, and detained at, Parramatta Lunatic Asylum; and, if so, on whose report, and for what reason?
4. MR. MACLEAY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why was not the dying declaration of O'Farrell included among the papers relating to the crime of O'Farrell which were laid upon the Table of this House, and ordered to be printed on the 6th day of January?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. RYAN *to move*,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Vic., No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution.
3. MR. DRIVER *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into, and report to this House upon, the reason of the removal from the Commission of the Peace of Mr. Robert D. Graham.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Eckford, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Stimpson, and the Mover.
4. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson.
 - (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject.
 - (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others.

5. MR. HILL to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference to the Road from the Western Road, *viz* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying, amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.
6. MR. WALKER to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson for a Run upon the River Darling, named Menindie East, No. 19, of June, 1866,—and all subsequent correspondence, with the Government relative thereto; also the original Tenders for the Runs known as “Wambah,” “Outer Wambah,” and “East Wambah,” alleged to embrace the land applied for by Mr. Neilson,—together with all papers or correspondence relating thereto.
7. MR. WILSON to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses; and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.
8. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
9. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—
 - (1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the “Road Metal Quarries” at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.
 - (2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying “metal” to Sydney.
 - (3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.
10. MR. TUNKS to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the “Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith,” ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
11. DR. LANG to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Nominal Return of all persons holding any public appointment on the 31st December, 1868, paid from the Votes for Salaries, appearing on the Estimates,—distinguishing the departments in which they serve, the offices they hold, their salaries, and other emoluments; dates of appointment to their present offices, length of Colonial public service, previous occupation, age, country, and religion.
12. MR. WILSON to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of all the proceedings taken at the Central Police Office since 29th May, 1868, on the various applications of Mr. Keeshan, Hamburgh Hotel, King-street, for a music license.
13. DR. LANG to move, That the Petition presented by him on 29th January, from certain Hair-dressers in the city of Sydney, be printed.
14. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill; third reading.
2. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.

Questions:—

1. MR. HART to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to complete the formation and making of the road leading from the Sydney Common past the Randwick Racecourse to Botany, known as the Bunnerong road?
 - (2.) Was any money, and if so, how much, subscribed for that purpose; and how has it been appropriated?

(3.)

(3.) Is it the intention of the Government to form and complete a road from the present coast road to Long Bay, and have any steps been taken for that purpose?

(4.) Has any plan been submitted by the Surveyor General or other proper officer, for the formation and completion of a road to La Perouse's Monument. If not, will the Government take the matter into consideration?

2. MR. HART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—

(1.) Were the services of one of the Registrars of the Metropolitan District Court dispensed with by the late Government; and if so, how long had the gentleman, whose services were so dispensed with, held office; what was the amount of his salary; when was notice given to him?

(2.) Did the Cabinet arrive at any decision upon the subject, and was that decision approved of, and confirmed by the Executive Council; if so, when?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the proceedings taken at the Central Police Office, Sydney, in the month of August last, in the case of *Levy v. Downey*.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Small Debts Recovery Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
3. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Parnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £640, for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River; Consideration in Committee of the Whole, of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.

New South Wales.

No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
2. The Clerk Sworn:—The Speaker produced a Commission, appointing Oliver Francis Kelly, Esquire, to be the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales; and Administered the Oaths of Allegiance and Office, respectively, to Mr. Kelly, as the Clerk of this House accordingly.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Orphan Schools at Parramatta:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) If any fee is paid by persons who receive Apprentices from the Orphan Schools at Parramatta?

(2.) If so, what is its amount?

(3.) What is the sum thus received by each of the Schools during the last three years?

(4.) Into what fund is the money paid?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) A fee is paid by persons who receive Apprentices from the Roman Catholic Orphan School at Parramatta to the Clerk of the Committee for apprenticing children, under the authority of such Committee. No fee is paid for children apprenticed from the Protestant Orphan School.

(2.) One guinea for each indenture prepared by the Clerk.

(3.) The Clerk to the Committee for apprenticing children from the Roman Catholic Orphan School has not kept any account; but he states that in not more than one-third of the cases has the fee been paid to him.

(4.) To the Clerk of the Committee before referred to for his personal service. He receives a Government salary of £80 per annum.

Mr. Lucas withdrew the Question No. 2.

Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 3.

- (2.) Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh:—Mr. Macleay asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Why was not the dying declaration of O'Farrell included among the papers relating to the crime of O'Farrell which were laid upon the Table of this House, and ordered to be printed on the 6th day of January?

Mr. Robertson answered,—Because the Government has not possession of O'Farrell's declaration. I may add that the Government has met with such great inconvenience and annoyance, in consequence of the abstraction of official papers by a late Minister of the Crown, as has induced it to determine to appoint a Board of gentlemen to inquire and report as to what documents of that character have been so abstracted. When the report is received, it will be laid on the Table of the House; and, it may be, other action taken.

3. Bridge over the Nepean at Penrith:—Mr. Ryan presented a Petition from certain inhabitants and landholders of Emu Plains and Penrith, complaining of the Tolls now charged for the traffic over this bridge, and praying that the same may be abolished.

Petition received.

4. District Court at Warialda:—*Mr. Lord*, on behalf of Mr. Dangar, presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of The Gwydir District, praying, that, for the reasons therein set forth, a District Court may be established at Warialda.

Petition received.

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5. Electoral District of The Hume:—Mr. Mate presented a Petition from certain electors and inhabitants of the Electoral District of "The Hume," praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, an additional member be allotted to that District. Petition received.
6. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses; and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862. Question put and passed.
7. Sunday Closing of Hair-dressers Shops ("Formal" Motion):—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 13, That the Petition presented by him on 29th January, from certain Hair-dressers in the city of Sydney, be printed. Question put and passed. Ordered to be printed.
8. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill ("Formal" Order of the Day):—Mr. Burns moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Question put and passed. Whereupon Bill read a third time.
9. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
10. Bridge over the Nepean at Penrith:—Mr. Ryan moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished. (2.) That the foregoing resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor. Debate ensued. On motion of Mr. Lucas, Debate adjourned till this day fortnight.
11. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer having presented this Bill, Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney," read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week.
12. Motions Dropped:—The undermentioned Motions on the Notice Paper for to-day, not having been made by the Members in whose names they respectively stand, dropped:—(1.) No. 2. Mr. Garrett. (2.) No. 3. Mr. Driver.
13. *Re* John Tebbutt, Legatee of Sophia Beeson:—Mr. R. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House,—(1.) A copy of any instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, or any other person on behalf of the Crown, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, or any other person, on the subject of the Administration of the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, a legatee under the will of Sophia Beeson. (2.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and any other person, on the same subject. (3.) Also a copy of any correspondence between the Curator of Intestate Estates and the Attorney General, or any other person, on the subject of a proceeding in Equity,—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott and Others. Debate ensued. Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Byrnes,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. W. Suttor,	
Mr. Wilson,	Tellers.
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Alexander.
Mr. Mate,	

Noes, 11.

Mr. Forster,
Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Driver,
Mr. Tighc,
Mr. Isaacs,
Tellers.
Mr. Burns,
Mr. Windeyer.

14. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer presented a Petition from certain Owners of Property, Leaseholders, and others of the Borough of Paddington, praying for an alteration of the Boundaries of the City of Sydney, and that the House may pass the Bill now before it for that purpose. Petition received.
15. Road from the Western Road *via* Smithfield to Cabramatta—(Mr. Holroyd, as a Trustee):—Mr. Hill moved, pursuant to Notice, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of any Memorial or Petition to the Minister for Lands, from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Sherwood, and Prospect Creek, in reference

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to the Road from the Western Road, *via* Smithfield to Cabramatta,—and praying amongst other things, for the removal of Mr. Holroyd from the Trust. Also, the Report of the Trustees on the Memorial,—the Memorandum of Mr. Holroyd in reference to that part of the Memorial personally affecting him, with the several annexures thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

16. Postponement :—Mr. R. Stewart postponed the Motion standing in his name No. 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

17. Mr. John Thomas Neilson :—Mr. Walker moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 6; That there be laid on the Table of this House, the Tender of Mr. John Thomas Neilson for a Run upon the River Darling, named Menindie East, No. 19, of June, 1866,—and all subsequent correspondence with the Government relative thereto; also the original Tenders for the Runs known as “Wambah,” “Outer Wambah,” and “East Wambah,” alleged to embrace the land applied for by Mr. Neilson, —together with all papers or correspondence relating thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

18. Road Metal Quarries, at Prospect :—Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 9 That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—

(1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the “Road Metal Quarries” at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.

(2.) Any Branch, or proposed Branch Railway or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying “metal” to Sydney.

(3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Farnell moved, That the Question be amended by the addition of the following words at the end of section 3, *viz.* :—“the cost of the Survey, a Book of Reference giving the data from which the original Survey commenced, and the data from which the subsequent Survey commenced; also, particulars as to what portion of the said resumed land formed the original driftway; the area of the resumed land, distinguishing the area of the driftway from the whole area resumed.”

Question,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—put and passed.

Question then,—That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Correspondence, Minutes, and other Papers in the possession of the Government, having reference to—

(1.) The granting or handing over by any less Tenure, the “Road Metal Quarries” at Prospect, to the Municipal Council of Sydney.

(2.) Any Branch, or proposed Railway Branch or other Road to the Prospect Quarries for conveying “metal” to Sydney.

(3.) The resumption by the Government of the Land about the Prospect Quarries, together with a tracing of all Plans or Surveys in connection with the above subjects. The cost of the Survey, a Book of Reference giving the data from which the original Survey commenced, and the data from which the subsequent Survey commenced; also, particulars as to what portion of the said resumed land formed the original driftway; the area of the resumed land, distinguishing the area of the driftway from the whole area resumed,—Put and passed.

19. Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith :—Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 10, That the Report of the Select Committee on the “Petition of Mr. Thomas Smith,” ordered to be printed on the 3rd April last, be now adopted; and that the same be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

20. Employés in the Civil Service of the Colony :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Amended Notice, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Nominal Return of all persons holding any public appointment on the 31st December, 1868, paid from the Votes for Salaries, appearing on the Estimates,—distinguishing the departments in which they serve, the offices they hold, their salaries, wages, allowances, and other emoluments; dates of appointment to their present offices, length of Colonial public service, previous occupation, age, and country.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

21. Application for Music License for Hamburgh Hotel, King-street :—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 12, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of all the proceedings taken at the Central Police Office since 29th May, 1868, on the various applications of Mr. Keeshan, Hamburgh Hotel, King-street, for a music license.

Question put and passed.

22. Postponement :—Mr. Cummings postponed the Motion standing in his name No. 14 on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.

23. Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill:—Mr. Burns moved, That this Bill do now pass. Question put and passed.

Mr. Burns then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to enable William Clift and Samuel Clift Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift late of West Maitland in the Colony of New South Wales Landholder deceased to grant Leases of certain Lands for Mining purposes.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Burns moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable William Clift and Samuel Clift Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift late of West Maitland in the Colony of New South Wales landholder deceased to grant Leases of certain Lands for Mining purposes,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd February, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

24. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read,—

Notice was taken that there was not a quorum present;—

Whereupon the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely:—Mr. Burns, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Eagar, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Samuel, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tunks, and Mr. Wilson,—the Speaker adjourned the House at Two minutes before Ten o'clock, until Three o'clock to-morrow.

W. M. ARNOLD,

Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3.

Questions:—

1. MR. HART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to complete the formation and making of the road leading from the Sydney Common past the Randwick Racecourse to Botany, known as the Bummerong road?
 - (2.) Was any money, and if so, how much, subscribed for that purpose; and how has it been appropriated?
 - (3.) Is it the intention of the Government to form and complete a road from the present coast road to Long Bay, and have any steps been taken for that purpose?
 - (4.) Has any plan been submitted by the Surveyor General or other proper officer, for the formation and completion of a road to La Perouse's Monument. If not, will the Government take the matter into consideration?
2. MR. HART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Were the services of one of the Registrars of the Metropolitan District Court dispensed with by the late Government; and if so, how long had the gentleman, whose services were so dispensed with, held office; what was the amount of his salary; when was notice given to him?
 - (2.) Did the Cabinet arrive at any decision upon the subject, and was that decision approved of, and confirmed by the Executive Council; if so, when?
3. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Upon what conditions were M. Asher & Co. allowed to occupy and erect business premises on land reserved from sale in the town of Rydal, while the greater portion of the Government town allotments remain unsold?
 - (2.) Do the Government know that M. Asher & Co. have erected stabling and a water-closet on the descent to, and the latter within ten feet of, the only water from which the town's-people obtain their supply?
 - (3.) If the stabling and water-closet are so erected, that any offensive matter from either of them can drain or percolate into the creek from which the people obtain water, will the Government cause those nuisances to be removed forthwith?

4. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Do the Government intend to cause a Trial Survey to be made for the proposed extension of the Great Northern Railway from Murrumbidgee to Armidale; and, if so, when?
5. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When Mr. Burton is expected to resume his duties as Examiner of Titles in the Land Titles Office?
6. MR. WILSON *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—What steps have the Government taken with the view of preventing the introduction of Small Pox from Victoria?
7. MR. LACKEY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Are the Government aware that the residents of the Town of Liverpool are suffering from an intolerable and dangerous nuisance, caused by the flow of matter into George's River from the Woolwashing Establishment above the dam, and from the Benevolent Asylum below the dam?
 - (2.) Do the Government intend taking any measures to remedy this nuisance?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. MORRICE to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the proceedings taken at the Central Police Office, Sydney, in the month of August last, in the case of *Levy v. Downey*.
2. MR. RYAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on 2nd February, in reference to the Tolls on Nepean Bridge, be printed.
3. MR. LORD to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 2nd February, in reference to the establishment of a District Court at Warrialda, be printed.
4. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition from certain Residents of the District of The Hume, praying for additional representation, presented by him on 2nd February, be printed.
5. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabular Statement, shewing, in detail, the expenditure of the several sums of money voted for the years 1867 and 1868, under the head of Contingencies, Incidental Expenses, and Unforeseen Expenses, and by what authority.
6. MR. WINDEYER to move, That the Petition presented by him on 2nd February, from the inhabitants of Paddington, praying that the Borough of Paddington may be annexed to the City of Sydney as a ward thereof, be printed.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; third reading.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Has any agreement been entered into by the present or the previous Government with any party or parties to accept buildings or land for a Court House, Lock-up, or Police Station at West Maitland, contingent upon funds being granted therefor by Parliament; and, if so, with whom has such agreement been made?
 - (2.) Is it the intention of the present Government to invite tenders by advertisement for the buildings and land in question, whenever the necessary funds shall be available?
2. MR. HART *to ask* THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to cause a general delivery of letters throughout the City at least three times a day?
 - (2.) How many letter-carrier districts are there within the City, and what is the average time it takes for each postman to go the round of his District?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. W. SUTTON to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person, on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Questions :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) How many reserves of Crown Lands have been made in the Electorate of Hartley, and within twenty miles of the Railway, during the last two years?
 - (2.) The area of each reserve, the distance from the Railway, and the purpose for which the reserve was made?

2. MR. CUMMINGS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When will the Great Western Line of Railroad be open for public traffic to Solitary Creek?
 - (2.) When will the Government fix on the site for a Railroad Station at Kelso?
 - (3.) Will the Government arrange for the completion of the line to Kelso Station, at the time No. 8 Section is finished, so as it would be open for public traffic?
 - (4.) When will the Government commence the survey of extension of the Great Western Line of Railroad from Bathurst to Orange?
3. MR. ROBERTS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What was the amount of the last payment made by the Government to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, R.C.C., who was formerly stationed at Carcoar; and what was the date of such payment?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Small Debts Recovery Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
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OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.



New South Wales.

No. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

Mr. Hart withdrew the Question No. 1.

- (1.) Registrar of Metropolitan District Court :—Mr. Hart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) Were the services of one of the Registrars of the Metropolitan District Court dispensed with by the late Government; and if so, how long had the gentleman, whose services were so dispensed with, held office; what was the amount of his salary; when was notice given to him?

(2.) Did the Cabinet arrive at any decision upon the subject, and was that decision approved of, and confirmed by the Executive Council; if so, when?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) One of the Registrars of the Metropolitan District Court had notice from the late Attorney General that his services would not be required after the end of last year. The gentleman in question had held office since 1st February, 1859, with salary at the rate of £400 per annum. Notice given under date 26th October, 1868.

(2.) The Cabinet arrived at a decision upon the subject, and that decision was approved of and confirmed by the Executive Government in Council. I speak from memory; but I believe it was arrived at before the 1st of January, but not confirmed by the Executive Council till late in January; so I suppose he is entitled to a months pay.

- (2.) Erection of Premises on Reserved Land, by Messrs. M. Asher & Co., at Rydal :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Upon what conditions were M. Asher & Co. allowed to occupy and erect business premises on land reserved from sale in the town of Rydal, while the greater portion of the Government town allotments remain unsold?

(2.) Do the Government know that M. Asher & Co. have erected stabling and a water-closet on the descent to, and the latter within ten feet of, the only water from which the town's-people obtain their supply?

(3.) If the stabling and water-closet are so erected that any offensive matter from either of them can drain or percolate into the creek from which the people obtain water, will the Government cause those nuisances to be removed forthwith?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) From the 1st November, 1868, at £1 per month,—subject to quit, on receiving twelve months notice, at any time. To carry out this arrangement, Mr. Asher has entered into a bond for £300.

(2.) No. I find on inquiry that the stable is 22 feet from the edge of the creek; but the ground falls from the creek towards the stable. The water-closet is 13 feet from the edge of the creek, with a slight descent towards it. This creek is not the only place from which the town's-people obtain their supply of water. It is now nearly dry, and has not been running for some months. Some of the people have wells.

(3.) I do not think the stable is so erected that any offensive matter would run into the creek, unless in case of a heavy flood. With respect to the water-closet, from the nature of the ground, unless proper precautions be taken to prevent the overflow, I fear there is some danger of its injuring the water of the creek.

(3.)

- (3.) Extension of Great Northern Railway :—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Do the Government intend to cause a Trial Survey to be made for the proposed extension of the Great Northern Railway from Murrurundi to Armidale ; and, if so, when ?
Mr. Sutherland answered,—This matter is now under the consideration of the Government.
- (4.) Mr. Burton, Examiner of Titles :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—When Mr. Burton is expected to resume his duties as Examiner of Titles in the Land Titles Office ?
Mr. Robertson answered,—Mr. Burton will resume his duties so soon as his health will permit. I cannot say when. He is now somewhat over the time that his medical advisers contemplated would be necessary.
- (5.) Prevention of Introduction of Small Pox from Victoria :—Mr. Wilson asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—What steps have the Government taken with the view of preventing the introduction of Small Pox from Victoria ?
Mr. Samuel answered,—The Government has been, and is still, in communication with the Victorian Government on the subject ; and have, short of proclaiming Melbourne an infected port, taken every precaution, both in Sydney, Newcastle, and the various outports, to prevent the disease being introduced by sea into this Colony. It will be seen, on reference to the *Government Gazette* published yesterday, that a notice has been published, calling attention to the Quarantine Laws, as applicable to vessels engaged in the intercolonial trade. The Government is also having a Bill prepared to submit to Parliament to render vaccination compulsory.
- (6.) Drainage from Woolwashing Establishment and Benevolent Asylum at Liverpool :—Mr. Lackey asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—
(1.) Are the Government aware that the residents of the Town of Liverpool are suffering from an intolerable and dangerous nuisance, caused by the flow of matter into George's River from the Woolwashing Establishment above the dam, and from the Benevolent Asylum below the dam ?
(2.) Do the Government intend taking any measures to remedy this nuisance ?
Mr. Robertson answered,—If my honorable friend will give fresh notice of the question, I shall be prepared to answer it to-morrow.
2. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination :—Mr. Macleay, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and Report this subject was referred on 15th December, 1868,—together with Appendix.
Ordered to be printed.
3. Motion for Adjournment :—Mr. Martin moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
4. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. Martin presented a Petition from certain Vineyard Proprietors and others, of the Albury and Corowa Districts, praying that the Bill on this subject, now before Parliament, may not be passed into law ; or that such Amendments may be made therein as will fulfil the desires expressed in the said Petition.
Petition received.
5. Mr. Richard H. Wright, late Telegraph Line Inspector :—Mr. S. Brown presented a Petition from Richard Henry Wright, late Telegraph Line Inspector at Tenterfield, complaining of certain charges made against him, and of his dismissal from the Public Service without having been heard in his defence, and praying an inquiry into his case.
Petition received.
6. Assent to Bill—Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker :—
BELMORIE, *Message No. 5.*
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.
Government House,
Sydney, 3rd February, 1869.
7. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. Wilson presented a Petition from certain Vine-growers residing in the District of Patrick's Plains, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, the Bill on this subject, now before Parliament, may not be passed into law.
Petition received.
8. Papers :—
(1.) Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Statement of Receipts and Disbursements under Superannuation Act of 1864, being for the year 1868 (in compliance with the 17th Clause of that Act).
Ordered to be printed. (2.)

- (2.) Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Schedule of Subordinate Roads of New South Wales—Classification and proposed distribution for 1869. (*Lands Department*.) Ordered to be printed.
9. *Levy v. Downey* (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Morrice moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 1, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the proceedings taken at the Central Police Office, Sydney, in the month of August last, in the case of *Levy v. Downey*.
Question put and passed.
10. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Farnell, on behalf of Mr. Ryan, moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 2, That the Petition presented by Mr. Ryan, on 2nd February, in reference to the Toll on Nepean Bridge, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
11. District Court at Warialda (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Lord moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 3, That the Petition presented by him on the 2nd February, in reference to the establishment of a District Court at Warialda, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Electoral District of The Hume (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Mate moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 4, That the Petition from certain Residents of the District of The Hume, praying for additional representation, presented by him on 2nd February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
13. Contingencies, Incidental and Unforeseen Expenses (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice, No. 5, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Tabular Statement, shewing, in detail, the expenditure of the several sums of money voted for the years 1867 and 1868, under the head of Contingencies, Incidental Expenses, and Unforeseen Expenses, and by what authority.
Question put and passed.
14. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (“*Formal*” *Motion*):—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That the Petition presented by him on 2nd February, from the inhabitants of Paddington, praying that the Borough of Paddington may be annexed to the City of Sydney as a ward thereof, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
15. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until Wednesday next.
16. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—Mr. Samuel moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into Committee of Supply; and that in the absence of the Chairman through indisposition, Mr. Hart do take the Chair of the said Committee for this day only.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee accordingly.

The Committee having continued to sit till after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 4 FEBRUARY, 1869., A.M.

The Deputy Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-seven minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Has any agreement been entered into by the present or the previous Government with any party or parties to accept buildings or land for a Court House, Lock-up, or Police Station at West Maitland, contingent upon funds being granted therefor by Parliament; and, if so, with whom has such agreement been made?
(2.) Is it the intention of the present Government to invite tenders by advertisement for the buildings and land in question, whenever the necessary funds shall be available?

2. MR. HART *to ask* THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to cause a general delivery of letters throughout the City at least three times a day?
 - (2.) How many letter-carrier districts are there within the City, and what is the average time it takes for each postman to go the round of his District?
3. MR. HART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to complete the formation and making of the road leading from the Sydney Common past the Randwick Racecourse to Botany, known as the Bunnerong road?
 - (2.) Was any money, and if so, how much, subscribed for that purpose; and how has it been appropriated?
 - (3.) Is it the intention of the Government to form and complete a road from the present coast road to Long Bay, and have any steps been taken for that purpose?
 - (4.) Has any plan been submitted by the Surveyor General or other proper officer, for the formation and completion of a road to La Perouse's Monument. If not, will the Government take the matter into consideration?
4. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What is the total amount of the Debt due by the City of Sydney to the Consolidated Revenue Fund?
 - (2.) What is the amount due for arrears of Interest from the City of Sydney up to the 31st December, 1868?
5. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) What is the amount of Duties on Legacies and Residue received by the Government each year since the enactment of the Act 29 Vic. No. 6?
 - (2.) What is the amount of Duties and Successions to Real and Personal Estate, received by Government since the enactment of the Act 29 Vic. No. 6?
6. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When there will be laid upon the Table, Copies of Correspondence relating to Mr. Simon Cullen's removal from the Roman Catholic Orphan School, as ordered by this House on the 12th day of January last?
7. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—If he will please to lay upon the Table of this House, on or before Friday next, an estimate of the cost of deepening the Parramatta River, and particulars as to what is intended to be done either by dredging or otherwise?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

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1. MR. W. SUTTON *to move*, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor; praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person, on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
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5. MR. S. BROWN *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "Municipalities Act of 1867."

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) How many reserves of Crown Lands have been made in the Electorate of Hartley, and within twenty miles of the Railway, during the last two years?
 - (2.) The area of each reserve, the distance from the Railway, and the purpose for which the reserve was made?
2. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When will the Great Western Line of Railroad be open for public traffic to Solitary Creek?
 - (2.) When will the Government fix on the site for a Railroad Station at Kelso?
 - (3.) Will the Government arrange for the completion of the line to Kelso Station, at the time No. 8 Section is finished, so as it would be open for public traffic?
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OTHER

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1. Small Debts Recovery Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
3. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan ; Consideration in Committee, of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
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2. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House, Returns for the Years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868, shewing:—
 - (1.) The number of beef and mutton slaughter-houses leased at the Abattoirs; for what term each house was leased; and the amount received in rents annually?
 - (2.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in leased houses,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
 - (3.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in the public or unleased Abattoir,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?

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5. MR. TUNKS *to move*,—
 - (1.) That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of all Volunteers entitled to certificates of past service on the 1st January, 1868,—specifying how many years each Volunteer is entitled to claim prospectively towards securing a Free Grant of Land under the "Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867."
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to His Excellency the Governor, by Address.
6. MR. PARKES *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of the letter of application from John Sutherland, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, for the excess of the cost of the luncheon provided for the Volunteers in 1861; and also copies of all other Correspondence or Minutes relating to the same matter.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; second reading.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows:—
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.



New South Wales.

No. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 4 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Court House Lock-up or Police Station at West Maitland :—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Has any agreement been entered into by the present or the previous Government with any party or parties to accept buildings or land for a Court House, Lock-up, or Police Station at West Maitland, contingent upon funds being granted therefor by Parliament; and, if so, with whom has such agreement been made?

(2.) Is it the intention of the present Government to invite tenders by advertisement for the buildings and land in question, whenever the necessary funds shall be available?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) So far as I have been able to learn, the late Government have entered into no such arrangement; certainly this Government have not done so.

(2.) That matter has never even come under consideration; but I take it, that if the Government do think it necessary,—and I do not know whether the Government will think it necessary to purchase land from any one,—the Government will not, if I am in it, do it behind the back of the Parliament.

- (2.) Postal Delivery of Letters in Sydney :—Mr. Hart asked the Postmaster General, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) Is it the intention of the Government to cause a general delivery of letters throughout the City at least three times a day?

(2.) How many letter-carrier districts are there within the City, and what is the average time it takes for each postman to go the round of his District?

Mr. Egan answered,—

(1.) Three additional letter-carriers have been asked for on the Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of providing a delivery throughout the City three times a day.

(2.) Eighteen. First delivery, 2¼ hours; second delivery, 1½ hours; third delivery, 1½ hours. The men are also employed three hours daily in the office, assorting the correspondence for their beats.

- (3.) Road from Sydney Common to Botany and Long Bay :—Mr. Hart asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Is it the intention of the Government to complete the formation and making of the road leading from the Sydney Common past the Randwick Racecourse to Botany, known as the Bunnerong road?

(2.) Was any money, and if so, how much, subscribed for that purpose; and how has it been appropriated?

(3.) Is it the intention of the Government to form and complete a road from the present coast road to Long Bay, and have any steps been taken for that purpose?

(4.) Has any plan been submitted by the Surveyor General or other proper officer, for the formation and completion of a road to La Perouse's Monument. If not, will the Government take the matter into consideration?

Mr.

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) The matter has only been submitted to me since the Question was placed on the Paper. I cannot, therefore, state the intentions of the Government without further inquiry.

(2.) Yes. Two sums of £100 each by the Randwick Municipal Council, and the Trustees of the Waterloo Estate, respectively. The money was expended by that Council.

(3.) The Government have received no recent application about the road specified in the honorable member's question, and, consequently, have formed no intentions upon the subject.

(4.) I am not aware of any such plan having been submitted by any officer of this department, either to the present or any previous Government. A survey of a proposed road, as indicated, was made in 1863. The cost of opening, exclusive of original formation, was estimated at £644. Being through Church and School Lands, there was no necessity for proclamation. Nothing else has been done; but the Government will consider any application which may be made for the purpose specified.

(4.) Debt and Interest due by Sydney Corporation to Consolidated Revenue Fund:—

Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) What is the total amount of the Debt due by the City of Sydney to the Consolidated Revenue Fund?

(2.) What is the amount due for arrears of Interest from the City of Sydney up to the 31st December, 1868?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) £417,430.

(2.) £117,117 4s. 8d., including £19,914 6s. 6d. for Commission, Brokerage, Discount, &c., on Debentures issued to meet a portion of the original debt, which matured in 1866.

(5.) Amount of Duties on Legacies and Successions under Stamp Act:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) What is the amount of Duties on Legacies and Residue received by the Government each year since the enactment of the Act 29 Vic. No. 6?

(2.) What is the amount of Duties and Successions to Real and Personal Estate, received by Government since the enactment of the Act 29 Vic. No. 6?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) Amount of Duties on Legacies, and Residue received each Year.

Duty.	1865.	1866.	1867.	1868.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Legacy... ..	42 5 6	233 16 4	529 14 7	1,877 18 4	2,683 14 9
Residue... ..	452 19 3	1,261 19 4	2,476 7 10	1,303 2 8	5,494 9 1
Totals... ..	495 4 9	1,495 15 8	3,006 2 5	3,181 1 0	8,178 3 10

(2.) Total Amount of Duty received on Successions to Real and Personal Estate since the enactment of the Act 29 Vic. No. 6. } £4,104 6s. 2d.

(6.) Removal of Mr. Simon Cullen from Roman Catholic Orphan School, Parramatta:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—When there will be laid upon the Table, Copies of Correspondence relating to Mr. Simon Cullen's removal from the Roman Catholic Orphan School, as ordered by this House on the 12th day of January last?

Mr. Robertson answered,—It is more than probable that these papers will be ready to-morrow. I think they will.

(7.) Deepening of Parramatta River:—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—If he will please to lay upon the Table of this House, on or before Friday next, an estimate of the cost of deepening the Parramatta River, and particulars as to what is intended to be done either by dredging or otherwise?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—A carefully-detailed estimate is under preparation, but will not be completed for some days. I hope to be able to lay it on the Table of the House on Friday week.

2. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Dignam moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

3. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd February, from certain inhabitants of Albury, against the passing of the "Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill," be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Mr. Richard H. Wright, late Telegraph Line Inspector (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd February, from Mr. R. H. Wright, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That the Petition presented by him on the 3rd February, from sixty-seven Vine-growers in the District of Patrick's Plains, against the passing of the "Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill," be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Grape Disease (*Oidium Tuckeri*):—Mr. Burns presented a Petition from certain Proprietors of Vineyards and others, in the Towns and neighbourhood of Gundagai and Tumut, praying that the House will pass an Act to cause the application of approved remedies where the Grape Vines are infected with disease.
Petition received.
7. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—Mr. Samuel moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into Committee of Supply; and that in the absence of the Chairman, through continued indisposition, Mr. Hart do take the Chair of the said Committee for this day only.
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee accordingly.
The Deputy Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again so soon as a Point of Order which had arisen in the Committee should be determined in the House.
The Deputy Chairman then reported the Point of Order as follows:—
A Question to omit an Item in a Vote had been negatived:—A proposal to reduce the amount of that Item was then made, but rejected by him, under his view of Section (4) of the 36th Standing Order of this House, which he interpreted as precluding any further interference with the Item.
The Speaker dissented from the view taken by the Deputy Chairman, and considered the Item still open to reduction.
On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 5 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.

The Deputy Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at two minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 5 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) How many reserves of Crown Lands have been made in the Electorate of Hartley, and within twenty miles of the Railway, during the last two years?
 - (2.) The area of each reserve, the distance from the Railway, and the purpose for which the reserve was made?
2. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) When will the Great Western Line of Railroad be open for public traffic to Solitary Creek?
 - (2.) When will the Government fix on the site for a Railroad Station at Kelso?
 - (3.) Will the Government arrange for the completion of the line to Kelso Station, at the time No. 8 Section is finished, so as it would be open for public traffic?
 - (4.) When will the Government commence the survey of extension of the Great Western Line of Railroad from Bathurst to Orange?
3. MR. ROBERTS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What was the amount of the last payment made by the Government to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, R.C.C., who was formerly stationed at Carcoar; and what was the date of such payment?

OTHER

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
3. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
7. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.
8. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill ; third reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
4. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports or Minutes of the Gaol or Asylum authorities in reference to the mental condition or conduct of the said G. Lindsay.
5. DR. LANG to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return stating—
 - (1.) The number of Commitments by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle during the past three years.
 - (2.) In how many cases has the Attorney General refused to file bills of indictment against prisoners committed by the same Magistrate, during the same period.
 - (3.) The number of prisoners sent for trial by the Newcastle Bench during the past three years, together with the result,—namely, whether the said prisoners were acquitted or found guilty, with the names of the Magistrates who committed them.
 - (4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.
6. MR. J. STEWART to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing resolution.
7. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
8. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed, from the want of a Quorum, on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

9. Mr. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal "The Workhouse Act of 1866."
10. Mr. BURNS to move, That the Petition presented by him on Thursday, the 4th February, from certain Vine-growers of the Districts of Gundagai and Tumut, with reference to the disease called "Oidium Tuckeri," be printed.
11. Mr. W. SUTTOR to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person, on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
12. Mr. S. BROWN to move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "Municipalities Act of 1867."

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. Mr. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) How many bridges are there in this country which have been constructed by loan?
 - (2.) The cost of each bridge; the name and situation of each bridge where toll is demanded; and the name and situation of each bridge where the traffic is free?
2. Mr. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House, Returns for the Years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868, shewing:—
 - (1.) The number of beef and mutton slaughter-houses leased at the Abattoirs; for what term each house was leased; and the amount received in rents annually?
 - (2.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in leased houses,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
 - (3.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in the public or unleased Abattoir,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. ROBERTS to move,—
 - (1.) That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year a sum of money equivalent to the amount of salary due to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, late Roman Catholic Minister at Carcoar.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Mr. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Treason Felony Act of 1868.
3. Mr. WINDYER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, all Correspondence between the Treasury and Immigration Offices, and Mr. J. Carroll, Superintendent of Quarantine, having reference to the recent suspension and re-instatement of that Officer; together with Copies of all Certificates given by the said Officer, or by the Health Officer of the Port of Sydney, and the Surgeon of the "Devonport," immigrant ship,—placed in Quarantine, with typhus fever on board,—having reference to infected bedding; together with all Minutes of the Executive Council relating thereto.
4. Mr. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
5. Mr. TUNKS to move,—
 - (1.) That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of all Volunteers entitled to certificates of past service on the 1st January, 1868,—specifying how many years each Volunteer is entitled to claim prospectively towards securing a Free Grant of Land under the "Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867."
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to His Excellency the Governor, by Address.
6. Mr. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of the letter of application from John Sutherland, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, for the excess of the cost of the luncheon provided for the Volunteers in 1861; and also copies of all other Correspondence or Minutes relating to the same matter.

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill ; second reading.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows:—
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 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

New South Wales.

No. 34.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 5 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Reserves of Land in the Electorate of Hartley:—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) How many reserves of Crown Lands have been made in the Electorate of Hartley, and within twenty miles of the Railway, during the last two years?

(2.) The area of each reserve, the distance from the Railway, and the purpose for which the reserve was made?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) Eight reserves.

(2.) 30½ square miles; between the Weatherboard and One-tree Hill, on each side of the Railway line; pending measurement of portions for sale.

About 40 acres; at Blackbeath, for water supply for railway engines; situate within reserve above.

About 260 acres; at the crossing of the Great Western Railway, over Bell's Line of Road, at Darling Causeway; pending selection of Railway Station.

2,700 acres; at Lithgow Valley; pending selection of Railway Station.

5,000 acres; at Walerawang; pending selection of Railway Station and branch.

1,470 acres; adjoining Rydal; pending selection for Railway Station.

9 square miles; near Mount Tomah, on the Spur Range, between Bowen and Wollangambic Creeks; situate about 4½ miles from Railway line.

47 acres; Mountain Lagoon, for water supply; 18 miles northerly from the Railway line.

Mr. Cummings withdrew the Question No. 2.

- (2.) Rev. Denis M'Guinn, late R.C.C. at Carcoar:—Mr. Roberts asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—What was the amount of the last payment made by the Government to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, R.C.C., who was formerly stationed at Carcoar; and what was the date of such payment?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) £12 10s., for the month of October, 1862.

(2.) Date of payment, 21st November, same year.

2. Member of Legislative Council as Witness:—Mr. J. Stewart moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee to inquire into, and report on, "Duties of Master in Equity," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable Alexander Campbell, Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5th February, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

3. Clerk of the Parliaments as Witness :—Mr. J. Stewart moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee on "Duties of Master in Equity," and that Committee being desirous of having before them certain Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council in 1865, on "Office of Master in Equity Abolition Bill," requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to the Clerk of the Parliaments, or any officer he may appoint, to attend and produce the above-mentioned Evidence, on such day as may be arranged between him and the said Committee.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5th February, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

4. Papers :—

(1.) Mr. Forster laid upon the Table, Return to Order in reference to "Mr. John Thomas Neilson," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Walker, on 2nd February, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Order in reference to "Municipal Affairs, Newcastle," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Hannell, on the 10th December, 1868.

(3.) Route proposed to be taken by Captain His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh in H. M. S. "Galatea":—Despatch with enclosure from the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos.

(4.) Correspondence in reference to Importation of South Sea Islanders into Queensland.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Motions Withdrawn :—

(1.) Mr. Burns withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 4 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

(2.) *Mr Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motions Nos. 1 and 2 standing in the name of Mr. Wisdom, on the Notice Paper for to-day.

6. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. Mate presented a Petition from George Gray, as Chairman of a public meeting of Vineyard Proprietors of Corowa, praying that the Bill on this subject now before Parliament, may not be passed into law, or that such provisions may be introduced therein as will fulfil the desires of the Petitioners.

Petition received.

7. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 9, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal "The Workhouse Act of 1866."

Question put and passed.
Mr. S. Brown having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to Repeal the Workhouse Act of 1866*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. Grape Disease ("Oidium Tuckeri")—"Formal" Motion :—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 10, That the Petition presented by him on Thursday, the 4th February, from certain Vine-growers of the Districts of Gundagai and Tumut, with reference to the disease called "Oidium Tuckeri," be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

9. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 12, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.

Question put and passed.

Mr. S. Brown having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

10. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill :—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from certain Butchers, carrying on business in the City of Sydney and Suburbs, praying that this Bill may not be proceeded with until the Petitioners shall have an opportunity of reading and considering the same.

Petition received.

11. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Byrnes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Luens,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Hannell,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Hill,	
Mr. Graham,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Bell,	

Bill read a second time.

Nocs, 7.

Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Egan,
Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Gordon,

Tellers.

Mr. Hart,
Mr. S. Brown.

Mr.

Mr. Byrnes then moved, That the Speaker leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

12. Deputy Chairman of Committees of the Whole:—Mr. Robertson moved (*with the concurrence of the House*), without Notice, That in the absence, through continued indisposition, of the Chairman,—Mr. Hart do take the Chair of the Committees of the Whole, for this day only.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the "Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill." The Deputy Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.

13. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 2 postponed, on motion of Dr. Lang, until Friday next.

14. Paper:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Order in reference to "Removal of Mr. Simon Cullen from Roman Catholic Orphan School, Parramatta," made by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. J. Stewart, on the 12th January, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

15. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill:—The Debate on the motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time, resumed and continued. Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The Deputy Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Farnell, adopted that Report, and ordered, That the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

16. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, by the Members named:—

(1.) No. 4. By Mr. Hart, to Friday next.

(2.) No. 5. By Mr. S. Brown, to Friday next.

(3.) No. 6. By Mr. Byrnes, to Friday next.

17. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Wilson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider of the expediency of introducing a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.

The Deputy Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—

Resolved,—That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to limit in certain districts the number of Licensed Public Houses, and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862.

Mr. Wilson then moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

18. St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Forster,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Dodds,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Matc,	
Mr. J. Suttor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Farnell.

Noes, 4.

Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Fiddington,

Tellers.

Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. S. Brown.

Bill then read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Driver, *passed*.

Mr. Driver then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other Public purposes.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon, Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 5th February, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

19.

19. Exemption of University and Affiliated Colleges from Municipal Taxation:—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
20. Motion Dropped:—Dr. Lang not making the Motion standing in his name, No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it dropped.
21. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864:—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith.
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing resolution.
Mr. Samuel moved the Previous Question.
Debate ensued.
Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Burns, Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Dignam, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. Mate, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, and Mr. R. Stewart,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at seven minutes to Nine o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) How many bridges are there in this country which have been constructed by loan?
(2.) The cost of each bridge; the name and situation of each bridge where toll is demanded; and the name and situation of each bridge where the traffic is free?
2. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House, Returns for the Years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868, shewing:—
(1.) The number of beef and mutton slaughter-houses leased at the Abattoirs; for what term each house was leased; and the amount received in rents annually?
(2.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in leased houses,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
(3.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in the public or unleased Abattoir,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
3. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) When will the Great Western Line of Railroad be open for public traffic to Solitary Creek?
(2.) When will the Government fix on the site for a Railroad Station at Kelso?
(3.) Will the Government arrange for the completion of the line to Kelso Station, at the time No. 8 Section is finished, so as it would be open for public traffic?
(4.) When will the Government commence the survey of extension of the Great Western Line of Railroad from Bathurst to Orange?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. ROBERTS *to move*,—
(1.) That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year a sum of money equivalent to the amount of salary due to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, late Roman Catholic Minister at Carcoar.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. DRIVER *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Treason Felony Act of 1868.

3. MR. WINDEYER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, all Correspondence between the Treasury and Immigration Offices, and Mr. J. Carroll, Superintendent of Quarantine, having reference to the recent suspension and re-instatement of that Officer; together with Copies of all Certificates given by the said Officer, or by the Health Officer of the Port of Sydney, and the Surgeon of the "Devonport," immigrant ship,—placed in Quarantine, with typhus fever on board,—having reference to infected bedding; together with all Minutes of the Executive Council relating thereto.
4. MR. R. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
 - (1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
 - (2.) That such compensation should be 20s. per diem during each Session.
 - (3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
5. MR. TUNKS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Volunteers entitled to certificates of past service on the 1st January, 1868,—specifying how many years each Volunteer is entitled to claim prospectively towards securing a Free Grant of Land under the "Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867."
6. MR. PARKES to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of the letter of application from John Sutherland, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, for the excess of the cost of the luncheon provided for the Volunteers in 1861; and also copies of all other Correspondence or Minutes relating to the same matter.
7. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.
8. MR. MATE to move, That the Petition from the Vineyard Proprietors of Corowa presented by him on the 5th February, be printed.
9. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of all Correspondence between the late Mr. Alexander Dick, and any other person or persons, in reference to the temporary appointment of Mr. W. G. Pennington as Second Examiner of Titles.
 - (2.) Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. G. K. Holden and the Government, in relation to the discontinuance of the services of Mr. Pennington, and the permanent appointment of an Examiner in succession to Mr. Dick.
10. MR. J. SUTTON to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself, into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony.
11. MR. HART to move, That the second reading of the Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill, as amended in Select Committee, stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
12. MR. DRIVER to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for Paving certain Streets in the City of Sydney.
13. MR. HART to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 5th February from certain butchers, against the Bill to prevent the keeping of certain animals within the City of Sydney, be printed.
14. MR. CUMMINGS to move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lack, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
15. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed, from the want of a Quorum, on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
16. MR. W. SUTTON to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person, on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; second reading.
2. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill ; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FORSTER to move, That the Clerk have leave to return to the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands the documents handed in to the Committee on the claim of Mr. Benjamin Richards to lease of Yarraldool Run, during the Session of 1867-8.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. J. RYAN to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What is the reason the Avenue in Hyde Park, between Prince Albert Statue and Liverpool-street, is not open to the public, after the enormous expenditure in the erection of seats, which are now rotting away unused.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
7. Exemption of University and Affiliated Colleges from Municipal Taxation ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows:—
(1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.

(2.)

(2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.

(3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O'Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.

(4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.

(5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

2. MR. PARKES to move,—

(1.) That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to enquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.

(2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.

(3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.

(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.



New South Wales.

No. 35.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Bridges constructed by Loan :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
 - (1.) How many bridges are there in this country which have been constructed by loan?
 - (2.) The cost of each bridge; the name and situation of each bridge where toll is demanded; and the name and situation of each bridge where the traffic is free?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—
 - (1.) Eighteen.
 - (2.) I will presently lay the Schedule on the Table of the House, and move that it be printed.
 - (2.) Abattoirs (Statistics) :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Whether he will lay on the Table of this House, Returns for the Years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868, shewing :—
 - (1.) The number of beef and mutton slaughter-houses leased at the Abattoirs; for what term each house was leased; and the amount received in rents annually?
 - (2.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in leased houses,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
 - (3.) Monthly Returns, for each year, of animals killed in the public or unleased Abattoir,—specifying each kind of animal, and the amount received in fees?
 Mr. Samuel answered,—I will lay the Paper on the Table in a day or two; it is now in course of preparation.
 - (3.) Great Western Line of Railway :—Mr. Cummings asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—
 - (1.) When will the Great Western Line of Railroad be open for public traffic to Solitary Creek?
 - (2.) When will the Government fix on the site for a Railroad Station at Kelso?
 - (3.) Will the Government arrange for the completion of the line to Kelso Station, at the time No. 8 Section is finished, so as it would be open for public traffic?
 - (4.) When will the Government commence the survey of extension of the Great Western Line of Railroad from Bathurst to Orange?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—
 - (1.) Probably in September next.
 - (2.) When tenders are invited for the extension from Raglan to Bathurst.
 - (3.) Yes.
 - (4.) During the present month.
2. Papers :—Mr. Sutherland laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz. :—
 - (1.) Schedule of Subordinate Roads of New South Wales (classification and proposed distribution for 1869)—(*Public Works Department*.)
 - (2.) Schedule of Bridges constructed by Loan (*in reply to Question No. 1 above*).
 Ordered to be printed.
3. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) :—Mr. Hart presented a Petition from the Commissioners of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Trust, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law in its present form.
 Petition received.

4. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Treason Felony Act of 1868.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Egan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Garrett.
Mr. Cooper,	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Roberts,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Windeyer,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Rodd.
Mr. W. Suttor,	
Mr. J. Suttor,	
Mr. Lucas,	

5. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Mate moved, pursuant to Notice No. 8, That the Petition from the Vineyard Proprietors of Corowa, presented by him on the 5th February, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill (*"Formal" Order of the Day*), on motion of Mr. Farnell, read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Farnell then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Farnell moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled—"*An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43.*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5th February, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7. Claim of Mr. Benjamin Richards to lease of Yarraldool Run (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Forster moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1 of Government Business, That the Clerk have leave to return to the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands the documents handed in to the Committee on the "Claim of Mr. Benjamin Richards to Lease of Yarraldool Run," during the Session of 1867-8.
Question put and passed.
8. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill:—Mr. Nowlan presented a Petition from Mr. John Wyndham, as Chairman of the Hunter River Vineyard Association, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.
Petition received.
9. Rev. Denis M'Guinn, late R.C.C. at Carcoar:—Mr. Roberts moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
- (1.) "That" this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates for the present year a sum of money equivalent to the amount of salary due to the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn, late Roman Catholic Minister at Carcoar.
- (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
Debate ensued.
- Mr. Mate moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the first word "That," with a view to insert the following words, viz.:—
"the claim of the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn to a stipend be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.
" (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Egan, Mr. W. Suttor, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bell, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burns, Mr. Hart, Mr. J. Campbell, and the Mover."
Debate continued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question;—put and negatived.
Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put and passed.
Whereupon Question,—That the claim of the Rev. D. H. M'Guinn to a stipend be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Egan, Mr. W. Suttor, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Bell, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burns, Mr. Hart, Mr. J. Campbell, and the Mover,—put and passed.

10. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill:—Mr. Nowlan having *presented* this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to prevent the Spread of Diseases in Grape Vines,*” read a first time.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Nowlan, to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
11. Mr. J. Carroll, Superintendent of Quarantine Station:—Mr. Windeyer moved Notice No. 3 (*as amended with the concurrence of the House*), That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, all Correspondence between the Treasury and Immigration Offices, and Mr. J. Carroll, Superintendent of Quarantine, having reference to the recent suspension and re-instatement of that Officer; together with Copies of all Certificates given by the said Officer, or by the Health Officer of the Port of Sydney, and the Surgeon of the “Devonport,” immigrant ship, placed in Quarantine, having reference to infected bedding; and the report of any Board of Inquiry thereon; together with all Minutes of the Executive Council relating thereto.
Question put and passed.
12. Payment of Country Members of Assembly:—Mr. R. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions:—
(1.) That it is necessary to the adequate representation of the people in this House, that Country Members of future Parliaments should be compensated to meet the cost of their residence in Sydney.
(2.) That such compensation should be 20s. *per diem* during each Session.
(3.) That an Address be presented to the Governor, requesting that steps may be taken to carry out the above Resolutions.
Debate ensued.
Dr. Lang moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of Resolutions (1) and (2), with a view to insert the following words, viz.:—“That, in the opinion of this House, it is necessary to the faithful and efficient discharge of the business of Parliament, that provision should be made for the payment of Members, and that a Bill for this purpose ought forthwith to be introduced.”
Mr. De Salis moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until Friday week.
Debate ensued.
Motion for the adjournment of Debate, by leave withdrawn.
Debate on Main Question continued.
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. S. Brown,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. Dignam,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. J. Suttor	
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. J. Stewart.

Noes, 13.

Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Forster,
Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Wilson,
Dr. Lang,
Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Sutherland,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. R. Stewart.

Original Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 8.

Mr. Sutherland,
Dr. Lang,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Cunneen,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. R. Stewart.

Noes, 37.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Dignam,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Martin,
Mr. Oatley,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Suttor,	
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Windeyer,
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Piddington.
Mr. Driver,	

13. Certificates under Volunteer Force Regulations Act of 1867:—Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Volunteers entitled to certificates of past service on the 1st January, 1868,—specifying how many years each Volunteer is entitled to claim prospectively towards securing a Free Grant of Land under the “Volunteer Force Regulation Act of 1867.”
Question put and passed.
14. Cost of Luncheon provided for Volunteers in 1861:—Mr. Parkes moved Notice No. 6 (*as amended with the concurrence of the House*), That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a copy of the letter of application from John Sutherland, Esq., Mayor of Sydney, for the excess of the cost of the luncheon provided for the Volunteers in 1861; and also copies of all other Correspondence or Minutes, either of Ministers or of the Executive Council, relating to the same matter.
Question put and passed.
15. Postponement:—Mr. Burns postponed the Motion No. 7 standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
16. Examiners of Titles—Real Property Act:—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 9, That there be laid upon the Table of this House,—
(1.) Copies of all Correspondence between the late Mr. Alexander Dick, and any other person or persons, in reference to the temporary appointment of Mr. W. G. Pennington as Second Examiner of Titles.
(2.) Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. G. K. Holden and the Government, in relation to the discontinuance of the services of Mr. Pennington, and the permanent appointment of an Examiner in succession to Mr. Dick.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
17. Water Supply for the Gold Fields:—Mr. J. Suttor moved Notice No. 10 (*as amended with the concurrence of the House*), That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
18. Motion Lapsed:—Mr. Hart not making the Motion standing in his name No. 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it lapsed.
19. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869:—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice No. 12, for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for Paving Certain Streets in the City of Sydney.
Question put and passed.
20. Motion Lapsed:—Mr. Hart not making the Motion standing in his name No. 13 on the Notice Paper for to-day, it lapsed.
21. Compensation to Edward Lock for injuries sustained through Bushrangers:—Mr. Cummings moved, pursuant to Notice No. 14, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the additional Estimates for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £400, for compensation to Edward Lock, for the loss of property destroyed by fire through the late bushrangers.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Forster,
Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Morrice,
Dr. Lang,
Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Egan.

Tellers.

Mr. Driver,
Mr. Cummings.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Parkes,	Tellers.
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Dignam,	
Mr. Oatley,	
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Wilson,	

22. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 15, “That” the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of addressing the Governor, praying that his Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year the sum of £1,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, for his indefatigable and successful exertions, through the press and otherwise (during a period of forty years), in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture

ture of Sugar in this Colony,—which lapsed, from the want of a Quorum, on Friday, the 8th January,—be restored to the paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Burns moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the first word "That", with a view to insert the following words, viz:—"the alleged services to the Colony of Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar cane and the manufacture of sugar be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report.

(2.) "That such Committee consist of Dr. Lang, Mr. Forster, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. De Salis, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover."

Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit until after midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.

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

Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put and passed. Whereupon Question:—(1.) That the alleged services to the Colony of Mr. Thomas Scott, of Brisbane Water, in naturalizing the cultivation of the Sugar Cane and the manufacture of Sugar, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Dr. Lang, Mr. Forster, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. De Salis, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Farnell, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 3.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Dignam,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Windeycr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. Tighe,	Mr. Burns,	
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Farnell,	
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Egan,	
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Burdekin,	
Mr. Eagar,	<i>Tellers.</i>	
Mr. Garrett,		
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Hoskins,	
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. S. Brown.	

23. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for Injuries sustained through Bush-rangers:—Mr. W. Suttor moved, pursuant to Notice No. 16, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person, on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 5.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. J. Suttor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. S. Brown.
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Cunneen,	
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>	
Mr. Garrett,		
Mr. Tighe,	Mr. W. Suttor,	
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Driver.	
Mr. Dignam,		

24. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Forster moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 13.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Martin,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Samuel,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Egan,		Mr. Windeycr,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Morrice.	Mr. J. Stewart,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. S. Brown,		Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. Cunneen,		Mr. Tighe,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Dignam,		Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. Burns.

25. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill:—The Speaker informed the House, That this Bill was one of the class of Bills which should originate in a Committee of the Whole, and directed the order for the second reading thereof, No. 2 on the Paper for to-day, to be expunged.
26. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read,—Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Order of the Day be postponed till Friday next.
- Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Nineteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Burns, Mr. Byrnes, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Eagar, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Martin, Mr. Nowlan, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. W. Suttor, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Tunks, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Windeyer,—the Speaker adjourned the House at five minutes past One o'clock a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., This day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. RYAN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—What is the reason the Avenue in Hyde Park, between Prince Albert Statue and Liverpool-street, is not open to the public, after the enormous expenditure in the erection of seats, which are now rotting away unused.
2. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When will the papers relating to the alleged insanity of H. J. O'Farrell, ordered by this House on the 12th of January, be laid upon the Table?
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—At whose request, or by what necessity, Government has directed that next Saturday be observed as a day of humiliation and prayer?
4. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Upon what date did the late Government tender their resignations to the Governor?
 - (2.) Upon what date did they actually vacate office?
 - (3.) Upon what date was the Executive authority given for the proclamation of the Municipality of Numba?
5. MR. WILSON *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has permission been given to play the Intercolonial Cricket Match in the Domain?
 - (2.) If so, on what conditions?
6. MR. LYONS *to ask* THE POSTMASTER GENERAL,—
 - (1.) At whose instigation or suggestion was a Postal Inspector sent to report upon the Post Office at Smithfield?
 - (2.) What irregularity or neglect was reported, to render the inspection necessary?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to move*, That the debate on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question, and which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday, the 5th February,—be restored to the Paper, and the resumption thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
2. MR. WINDEYER *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Depositions in the case of H. J. O'Farrell.
3. MR. HART *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th February, from the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trust, be printed.
4. MR. NOWLAN *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th February, signed by the Chairman of a meeting of the Hunter River Vineyard Association, against the passing of the "Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines," be printed.

5. DR. LANG to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return stating—
- (1.) The number of Commitments by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle during the past three years.
 - (2.) In how many cases has the Attorney General refused to file bills of indictment against prisoners committed by the same Magistrate, during the same period.
 - (3.) The number of prisoners sent for trial by the Newcastle Bench during the past three years, together with the result,—namely, whether the said prisoners were acquitted or found guilty, with the names of the Magistrates who committed them.
 - (4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.
6. MR. WINDYER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City and to impose rates thereon.
7. MR. S. BROWN to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Has any, and if any, what decision been arrived at in the matter of the memorial of certain Shipowners, Master-mariners, and others, for the erection of a Light-house at Bungaree, Norah Point?
2. MR. MORRICE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What steps have been taken by the Government to carry out the intention of the Resolution arrived at by this House, on the 19th January last, with reference to unauthorized expenditure by the previous Government?

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government intend to legibly mark and define the boundary lines of the Tyalgum Run, Tweed River—the boundary station between this Colony and Queensland—leased by Mr. J. C. Laycock?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
7. Exemption of University and Affiliated Colleges from Municipal Taxation; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
8. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill; second reading.
9. Water Supply for the Gold Fields; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony.
10. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage:
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Whether he or his predecessor has received a Report or Reports from any of his Officers, or from the Lands Department, with reference to the re-construction of the Bridge over the Cudgegong River at Rylstone, which was carried away by the great flood of 1867?
 (2.) How long will it be before the re-construction of this Bridge will commence?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows:—
 (1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.
 (2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.
 (3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O’Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.
 (4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.
 (5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty’s, Secretary of State for the Colonies.
2. MR. PARKES to move,—
 (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to enquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.
 (2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O’Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.
 (3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

(4.)

(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.

3. Mr. DRIVER to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.

(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. LYONS to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighc, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.



New South Wales.

No. 36.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Opening of Avenue in Hyde Park :—*Mr. Garrett*, on behalf of *Mr. Ryan*, asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—What is the reason the Avenue in Hyde Park, between Prince Albert's Statue and Liverpool-street, is not open to the public, after the enormous expenditure in the erection of seats, which are now rotting away unused?

Mr. Forster answered,—The answer I have received from the Hyde Park Committee, in whose hands the matter rests, is to this effect,—That they have not sufficient funds to open this Avenue; but that they hope next year, or before very long, to be able to do so.

- (2.) Alleged Insanity of H. J. O'Farrell :—*Mr. Burns* asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—When will the papers relating to the alleged insanity of H. J. O'Farrell, ordered by this House on the 12th of January, be laid upon the Table?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I think they will be ready in the course of a couple of days: By some error in the Department, the matter was overlooked, and I find, to-day, that no steps have been taken; but, as there are very few papers, I hope to have them by Friday.

- (2.) Day for Humiliation and Prayer :—*Mr. J. Stewart* asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—At whose request, or by what necessity, Government has directed that next Saturday be observed as a day of humiliation and prayer?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The course was taken in consequence of representations made by several persons to the effect that it had been customary, in cases of extreme drought, to issue a proclamation of the kind.

- (4.) Dates of Resignation of late Ministry, and of Proclamation of Municipality of Numba :—

Mr. Garrett asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

- (1.) Upon what date did the late Government tender their resignations to the Governor?

(2.) Upon what date did they actually vacate office?

(3.) Upon what date was the Executive authority given for the proclamation of the Municipality of Numba?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) I think it was on the 20th October, 1868.

(2.) 27th October, 1868.

(3.) 19th October, 1868; and the Proclamation was issued 24th October, 1868.

- (5.) Intercolonial Cricket Match :—*Mr. Wilson* asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) Has permission been given to play the Intercolonial Cricket Match in the Domain?

(2.) If so, on what conditions?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) The only conditions assented to, or imposed by, the Government, were proposed by the applicants themselves,—and were to the effect that they should be allowed to make such arrangements as might enable them to receive money at the Domain Gates from persons willing to pay it.

(6.)

- (6.) Inspection of Post Office, Smithfield :—Mr. Lyons asked the Postmaster General pursuant to Notice No. 6,—
- (1.) At whose instigation or suggestion was a Postal Inspector sent to report upon the Post Office at Smithfield?
- (2.) What irregularity or neglect was reported, to render the inspection necessary?
- Mr. Egan answered,—
- (1.) The Inspector was sent, in consequence of an official intimation from the Lands Department.
- (2.) The Postmaster was charged with forging names to a Petition.
2. Rev. Denis M'Guinn, late R.C.C. at Carcoar :—Mr. Mate moved (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice, That the Select Committee appointed on 9th February, 1869, to consider and report upon the claim of "Rev. Denis M'Guinn, late R.C.C. at Carcoar," have power to send for persons and papers.
Question put and passed.
3. Motion for Adjournment :—Mr. J. Stewart moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Question put and negatived.
4. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*)—("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th February, from the Commissioners of the Old Botany, Randwick, and Coogee Roads Trust, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
Question put and passed.
6. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Wilson having presented this Bill, intitled "*A Bill to limit in certain Districts the number of Licensed Public Houses and to amend in other respects the Licensing Act of 1862,*"—read a first time.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Wilson, to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday, the 26th February.
7. Postponement :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until Wednesday next.
8. Supply :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read, Mr. Samuel moved, "That" the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into Committee of Supply.
Mr. Burns moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That" with a view to insert the following words, viz. :—"the Government should, during the present Session, introduce a Bill for the immediate repeal of the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864."
" (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address, and presented "to His Excellency the Governor."
Debate ensued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and passed.
Original Question then put and passed.
Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight,—

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The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

9. Messages from the Legislative Council :—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council.
- (1.) Road Act Amendment Bill :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intitled "*An Act to enable the Trustees for the time being of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River and called the Cook's River Road to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in lighting the said Road,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without Amendment.
- Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th February, 1869.
- T. A. MURRAY,
President.
- (2.) Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th February, 1869, requesting leave for the Honorable Alexander Campbell, a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on "Duties of Master in Equity," the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.
- Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th February, 1869.
- T. A. MURRAY,
President.
- (3.)

(3.) Clerk of the Parliaments as Witness :—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 5th February, 1869, requesting leave for the Clerk of the Parliaments, or any Officer he may appoint, to attend before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, on "Duties of Master in Equity," and to produce certain Evidence taken before a Select Committee of the Legislative Council in 1865 on "Office of Master in Equity Abolition Bill," the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to the Clerk of the Parliaments to attend personally, or by one of the Officers of his Department, and produce such Evidence accordingly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th February, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at five minutes past Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Has any, and if any, what decision been arrived at in the matter of the memorial of certain Shipowners, Master-mariners, and others, for the erection of a Light-house at Bungaree, Norah Point?
2. MR. MORRICE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What steps have been taken by the Government to carry out the intention of the Resolution arrived at by this House, on the 19th January last, with reference to unauthorized expenditure by the previous Government?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. HART to move, That the second reading of the Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill, as amended in Select Committee, stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
2. MR. HART to move, That the Petition, presented by him on the 5th February from certain butchers, against the Bill to prevent the keeping of certain animals within the City of Sydney, be printed.
3. MR. J. STEWART to move, That the debate on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question, and which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday, the 5th February,—be restored to the Paper, and the resumption thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
4. MR. WENDEYER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Depositions in the case of H. J. O'Farrell.
5. MR. NOWLAN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 9th February, signed by the Chairman of a meeting of the Hunter River Vineyard Association, against the passing of the "Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines," be printed.
6. DR. LANG to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return stating—
(1.) The number of Commitments by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle during the past three years.
(2.) In how many cases has the Attorney General refused to file bills of indictment against prisoners committed by the same Magistrate, during the same period.
(3.) The number of prisoners sent for trial by the Newcastle Bench during the past three years, together with the result,—namely, whether the said prisoners were acquitted or found guilty, with the names of the Magistrates who committed them.
(4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.

7. MR. WINDEYER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City and to impose rates thereon.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government intend to legibly mark and define the boundary lines of the Tyalgrun Run, Tweed River—the boundary station between this Colony and Queensland—leased by Mr. J. C. Laycock?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
6. Deepening of Parramatta River; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
7. Exemption of University and Affiliated Colleges from Municipal Taxation; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation.
8. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill; second reading.
9. Water Supply for the Gold Fields; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony.
10. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
11. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether he or his predecessor has received a Report or Reports from any of his Officers, or from the Lands Department, with reference to the re-construction of the Bridge over the Cudgegong River at Rylstone, which was carried away by the great flood of 1867?
 - (2.) How long will it be before the re-construction of this Bridge will commence?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. MACLEAY *to move*, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows :—
 - (1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.
 - (2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O’Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.
 - (4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.
 - (5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty’s, Secretary of State for the Colonies.
 2. MR. PARKES *to move*,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to enquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.
 - (2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O’Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.
 - (4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.
 - (5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.
 3. MR. DRIVER *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdakin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
- ORDER OF THE DAY :—
1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

WEDNESDAY,

WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
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FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.
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TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LYONS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
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FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 37.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Erection of Light-house at Bungaree, Norah Point :—Mr. Burns asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Has any, and if any, what, decision been arrived at in the matter of the memorial of certain Shipowners, Master-mariners, and others, for the erection of a Light-house at Bungaree, Norah Point?

Mr. Samuel answered,—The Government have no intention of proceeding with the erection of a Light-house at present. A Committee of the Legislative Assembly, in 1867, on "Loss of Life on the Coast," and a Committee of the Legislative Council, in 1863, on "Light-houses," brought up Reports; and in neither case was the erection of a Light at Bungaree, Norah Point, recommended.

- (2.) Unauthorized Expenditure from the Treasury :—Mr. Morrice asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—What steps have been taken by the Government to carry out the intention of the Resolution arrived at by this House, on the 19th January last, with reference to unauthorized expenditure by the previous Government?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The Resolutions adopted on the motion of the Honorable Member, on the 19th January last, with reference to the unauthorized expenditure of the previous Government, have been referred to the Crown Law Officers, to carry out the wishes of the Legislative Assembly.

2. Papers :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz. :—
(1.) Despatches in reference to the social and political condition of the Fiji Islands.

(2.) Despatch in reference to the supply of Sneider Rifles for Colonial Volunteers.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Treasury Bills :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker :—

BELMORE,

Governor.

Message No. 6.

It being found expedient to raise an amount of Money, not exceeding Three hundred and forty-three thousand and two hundred Pounds, to provide for the payment at maturity of Treasury Bills issued under the authority of the "Treasury Bills Act of 1868," the Governor submits the subject to the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, and recommends that provision be made accordingly.

Government House,

Sydney, 11 February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

4. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 :—Mr. Driver having presented this Bill, Bill, intitled "A Bill to provide for Paving certain Streets in the City of Sydney,"—read a first time.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Driver, to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday week.

5. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, That the second reading of the Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill, as amended in Select Committee, stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.
6. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th February, from certain butchers, against the Bill to prevent the keeping of certain animals within the City of Sydney, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
7. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That the Debate on the Motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
(1.) That in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question and which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday, the 5th February,—be restored to the Paper, and the resumption thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
Question put and passed.
8. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Mate, on behalf of Mr. Nowlan, moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That the Petition presented by Mr. Nowlan on the 9th February, signed by the Chairman of a meeting of the Hunter River Vineyard Association, against the passing of the "Bill to prevent the spread of Diseases in Grape Vines," be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
9. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.
The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-six minutes to Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether the Government intend to legibly mark and define the boundary lines of the Tyalgrun Run, Tweed River—the boundary station between this Colony and Queensland—leased by Mr. J. C. Laycock?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent.
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11. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
12. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
13. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith ;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
14. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. Mr. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
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 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.
4. Mr. W. SUTTON to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all Letters, Petitions, and Memorials, addressed by Mr. De Philipsthal (up to the period of introducing the present system of Police, Chief Clerk in the Inspector General's Office) to His Excellency the late Governor Sir John Young, to any Executive Council of this Colony, responsible Minister, to the Inspector General of Police, or any Secretary of a Public Department, asking for re-employment in the Public Service, or for the usual compensation for loss of office ; together with all notes, minutes, or decisions thereon of any such Executive, or of such late Governor, and of all reports of the Inspector General of Police in the matter, with any other official correspondence arising thereout of.
5. Mr. WINDEYER to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Depositions in the case of H. J. O'Farrell.
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 - (4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.
7. Mr. WINDEYER to move, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City and to impose rates thereon.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. Mr. ROBERTSON to move, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. MR. LUCAS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Whether he or his predecessor has received a Report or Reports from any of his Officers, or from the Lands Department, with reference to the re-construction of the Bridge over the Cudgong River at Rylstone, which was carried away by the great flood of 1867?
 - (2.) How long will it be before the re-construction of this Bridge will commence?

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. MR. PARKES to move (*on motion to adjourn Debate on motion herein referred to*), That every adjournment of the Debate on motion made relating to the Report of the Select Committee appointed on the 15th December last to inquire into "the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination," shall be to the next sitting day, and shall then take precedence of all other business; and that so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended, as may be necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. MACLEAY to move, That this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, "to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,"—resolves as follows :—
 - (1.) That, there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.
 - (2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O'Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.
 - (4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.
 - (5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty's, Secretary of State for the Colonies.
2. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to enquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.
 - (2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.
 - (4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.
 - (5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.

4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan:—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend placing upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum to refund the Hawkesbury Benevolent Society the Rent and Assessment of their Run at Mooki, for the years 1867, 8, 9, in accordance with previous practice?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LYONS to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.
Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Boundary of Tyalgrun Run, Tweed River :—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice, Whether the Government intend to legibly mark and define the boundary lines of the Tyalgrun Run, Tweed River—the boundary station between this Colony and Queensland—leased by Mr. J. C. Laycock ?
Mr. Forster answered,—The Run referred to is bounded on one side by the main dividing range, forming the boundary of Queensland, which is marked and defined. The remaining boundaries are defined by lines, which it is open to the lessee to have marked and defined by survey at his own cost, pursuant to the regulations under the Crown Lands Occupation Act ; but it is not usual for the Government to take that course.
2. Mr. De Philipsthal, late Clerk in the Office of Inspector General of Police :—
(" *Formal* " *Motion*)—Mr. W. Suttor moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all Letters, Petitions, and Memorials, addressed by Mr. De Philipsthal (up to the period of introducing the present system of Police, Chief Clerk in the Inspector General's Office) to His Excellency the late Governor Sir John Young, to any Executive Council of this Colony, responsible Minister, to the Inspector General of Police, or any Secretary of a Public Department, asking for re-employment in the Public Service, or for the usual compensation for loss of office ; together with all notes, minutes, or decisions thereon of any such Executive, or of such late Governor, and of all reports of the Inspector General of Police in the matter, with any other official correspondence arising thereout of.
Question put and passed.
3. Depositions in the case of H. J. O'Farrell (" *Formal* " *Motion*) :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Depositions in the case of H. J. O'Farrell.
Question put and passed.
4. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill (" *Formal* " *Motion*) :—Mr. Windeyer moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City and to impose rates thereon.
Question put and passed.
5. Compulsory Vaccination Bill (" *Formal* " *Motion*) :—Mr. Samuel, on behalf of Mr. Robertson, moved Notice No. 1 (*Government Business, as amended with the concurrence of the House*), That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.
Question put and passed.
6. Paper :—Mr. Sutherland laid upon the Table, Report from the Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and Rivers, in reference to the Deepening of Parramatta River.
Ordered to be printed.

7. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windeyer moved, "That" this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Debate on this Question be postponed till this day week.
Debate ensued.
Motion for Postponement of Debate, by leave withdrawn.
Mr. Hart moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word "That," with a view to insert the following words, viz.:—"this Bill be referred to a Select Committee for its consideration and report, with power to send for persons and papers."
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Hill, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Oatley, "Dr. Lang, Mr. Neale, and the Mover."
Debate ensued.
Question,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.
Question then,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put and passed.
Whereupon, Question,—(1.) That this Bill be referred to a Select Committee for its consideration and report, with power to send for persons and papers;—
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Hill, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Oatley, Dr. Lang, Mr. Neale, and the Mover,—put and passed.
8. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill:—On the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill being read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported the Bill with Amendments, and also that the Title had been amended.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Byrnes, that the adoption of this Report stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
9. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named, viz.:—
(1.) No. 3, by Dr. Lang, until Friday next.
(2.) No. 4, by Mr. Hart, until Friday next.
10. Heirs of the late Francis Flanagan:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Additional Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £640 for compensation to the heirs of the late Francis Flanagan, in respect of 2,560 acres of land in the County of St. Vincent;—having been read,—
Mr. Windeyer moved, That this Order of the Day be postponed until this day "three Months."—
Mr. Hart moved, that the words "three Months" be omitted, with a view to insert the words "Friday next."
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. J. Suttor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. De Salis.
Mr. Nowlan,	

Noes, 15.

Mr. Forster,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Sutherland,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Dignam,	
Mr. Driver,	

Question then,—That this Order of the Day be postponed until this day three Months,—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Parkes,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Oatley,	
Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Piddington.

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Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Egan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Tighe,	Mr. S. Brown.

The numbers being equal, the Speaker gave his casting vote with the Ayes, and declared the Question passed in the affirmative.

11. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 6 postponed, on motion of Mr. Byrnes, until Friday next.
12. Exemption of University and Affiliated Colleges from Municipal Taxation:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1869 a sum not exceeding £2000, to compensate

compensate the Municipality of Cook for loss sustained by them by reason of the Legislature having exempted the University and Colleges from taxation,—having been read;—on motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

13. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill:—Mr. Nowlan moved,—“That” this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Mate moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the word “That” with a view to insert the following words, viz. :—“this Bill “ be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report, with power to “ send for persons and papers.

“(2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Mr. Forster, “ Mr. Phelps, Mr. Smart, Mr. Tunks, Mr. W. Suttor, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Farnell, “ Mr. Lackey, Mr. Nowlan, and the Mover.”

Debate ensued.

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

Question then,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put and passed.

Whereupon, Question,—(1.) That this Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report, with power to send for persons and papers;—

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14. Water Supply for the Gold Fields:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony;—having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. Suttor, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to a Resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, that the reception of the Resolution stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at nine minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY.

Questions :—

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(1.) Whether he or his predecessor has received a Report or Reports from any of his Officers, or from the Lands Department, with reference to the re-construction of the Bridge over the Cudgong River at Rylstone, which was carried away by the great flood of 1867?
(2.) How long will it be before the re-construction of this Bridge will commence?
2. MR. LORD to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the present Government to establish Public Sale Yards for Fat Stock, in accordance with the prayer of a Petition presented to the late Government?

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

MR. PARKES to move (*on motion to adjourn Debate on motion herein referred to*), That every adjournment of the Debate on motion made relating to the Report of the Select Committee appointed on the 15th December last to inquire into “the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination,” shall be to the next sitting day, and shall then take precedence of all other business; and that so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended, as may be necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

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 - (3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.
 - (4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.
 - (5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.
5. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
6. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

7. Mr. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.
8. Dr. LANG to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return stating—
- (1.) The number of Commitments by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle during the past three years.
 - (2.) In how many cases has the Attorney General refused to file bills of indictment against prisoners committed by the same Magistrate, during the same period.
 - (3.) The number of prisoners sent for trial by the Newcastle Bench during the past three years, together with the result,—namely, whether the said prisoners were acquitted or found guilty, with the names of the Magistrates who committed them.
 - (4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan:—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill Reported; adoption of Report.
3. Water Supply for the Gold Fields; reception of Resolution from Committee.
4. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
5. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
6. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*); second reading.
7. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
8. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY.

Question:—

1. Mr. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend placing upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum to refund the Hawkesbury Benevolent Society the Rent and Assessment of their Run at Mooki, for the years 1867, 8, 9, in accordance with previous practice?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City, and to impose rates thereon.

3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LYONS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 39.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Bridge over Cudgegong River at Rylstone :—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
 - (1.) Whether he or his predecessor has received a Report or Reports from any of his Officers, or from the Lands Department, with reference to the re-construction of the Bridge over the Cudgegong River at Rylstone, which was carried away by the great flood of 1867?
 - (2.) How long will it be before the re-construction of this Bridge will commence?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—
 - (1.) Reports have been received that the Rylstone Bridge, constructed in 1861, was carried away in 1867.
 - (2.) Tenders will be invited for its re-construction, in a week.
 - (2.) Public Sale Yards for Fat Stock :—Mr. Lord asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Is it the intention of the present Government to establish Public Sale Yards for Fat Stock, in accordance with the prayer of a Petition presented to the late Government?
 Mr. Forster answered,—The Petition referred to in the honorable member's question was answered by a recommendation that petitioners should apply to some Municipal Council, in accordance with section 153 of the "Municipalities Act of 1867." The Government have since taken no steps, nor have they formed any intention, in the matter.
2. Paper :—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table, Return, in reference to Abattoirs (Statistics), *in reply to Question (No. 2). See Votes No. 35.*
 Ordered to be printed.
3. Motion for Adjournment :—Mr. Roberts moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and negatived.
4. Commitments by Newcastle Bench of Magistrates (Administration of Justice) ("Formal" Motion) :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 8, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return stating—
 - (1.) The number of Commitments by the Police Magistrate of Newcastle during the past three years.
 - (2.) In how many cases has the Attorney General refused to file bills of indictment against prisoners committed by the same Magistrate, during the same period.
 - (3.) The number of prisoners sent for trial by the Newcastle Bench during the past three years, together with the result,—namely, whether the said prisoners were acquitted or found guilty, with the names of the Magistrates who committed them.
 - (4.) Whether the Government has advised the Police Magistrate of Newcastle to institute Criminal proceedings against the *Newcastle Chronicle* newspaper.
 Question put and passed

5. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination:—Mr. Macleay moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—“That” this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows:—

(1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.

(2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.

(3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O'Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.

(4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.

(5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Mr. Parkes moved, That the Question be amended by the omission of all the words after the first word “That,” with a view to insert the following words, viz. :—

“the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to inquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.

(2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.

(3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.”

Debate ensued.

Mr. S. Brown moved, (*with the concurrence of the House*.) That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow, to take precedence of all other business, and that every adjournment of the Debate on motion made relating to the Report of the Select Committee appointed on the 15th December last to inquire into “the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination,” shall be to the next sitting day, and shall then take precedence of all other business; and that so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended, as may be necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at Ten minutes past Eleven o'clock, until Three o'clock To-morrow.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. MR. WALKER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government intend placing upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum to refund the Hawkesbury Benevolent Society the Rent and Assessment of their Run at Mooki, for the years 1867–8–9, in accordance with previous practice?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination—Resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Macleay, “That” this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, “to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,”—resolves as follows :—
 - (1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.
 - (2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O’Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.
 - (4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.
 - (5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies—

Upon which Mr. Parkes had moved, by way of Amendment, the omission of all the words after the first word “That,” with a view to insert in their place the following words :—“the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to inquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.

“(2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O’Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.

“(3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

“(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

“(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.”

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.
3. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. PARKES to move,—
 - (1.) That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to inquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.
 - (2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.
 - (3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.
 - (4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.
 - (5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee.
2. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.
4. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
5. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
6. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan:—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill Reported; adoption of Report.
3. Water Supply for the Gold Fields; reception of Resolution from Committee.
4. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
5. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.

6. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
7. Newspaper Postage Act of 1861 ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith ;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
8. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; second reading.
 2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City, and to impose rates thereon.
 3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
 4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
 5. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
- NOTICE OF MOTION :—
1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

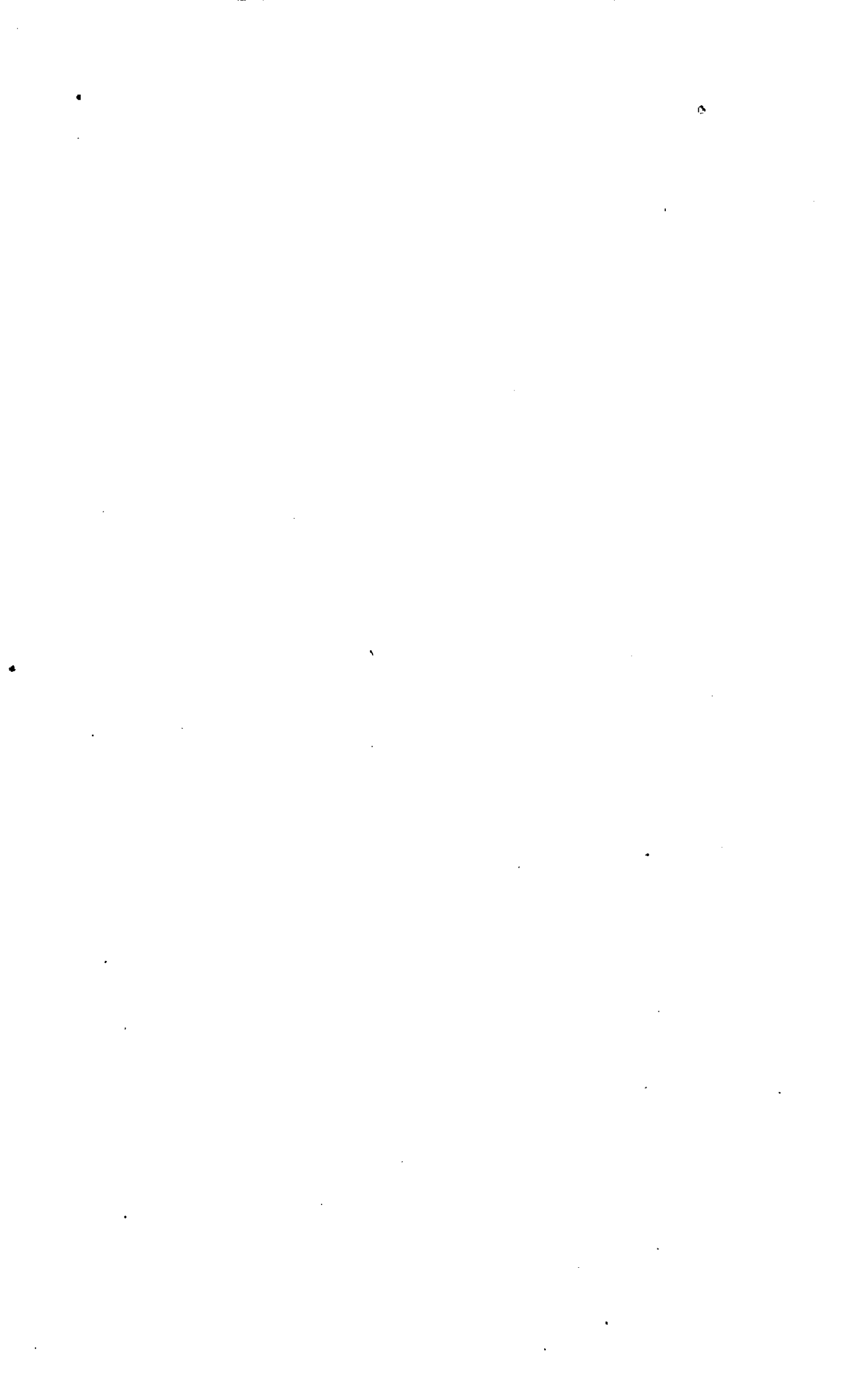
OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LYONS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 40.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Hawkesbury Benevolent Society—Rent and Assessment of Mooki Run :—Mr. Walker asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice,—Do the Government intend placing upon the Supplementary Estimates for the present year, a sum to refund the Hawkesbury Benevolent Society the Rent and Assessment of their Run at Mooki, for the years 1867-8-9, in accordance with previous practice?
Mr. Forster answered,—The Government will follow previous practice in the matter.
2. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. W. Suttor presented a Petition from certain Vine-growers, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine, resident in the District of Bathurst, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.
Petition received.
3. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Parkes withdrew the Motion No. 1 standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. Dodds presented a Petition from certain Vine-growers, and others interested in the cultivation of the Vine, resident in the District of the Hunter River, praying that this Bill may not be passed into law.
Petition received.
5. Cultivation of Arrowroot in the Colony—Mr. W. Cole :—Mr. Wisdom presented a Petition from William Cole, of Tomago, Hunter River, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this House will take steps to encourage the promotion of new Industries in the Colony, by a system of Bounties, or otherwise.
Petition received.
6. Motion for Adjournment :—Mr. R. Stewart moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
7. Alleged Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Macleay, "That" this House,—having duly considered the Report of, and the Evidence taken before the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th day of December last, "to inquire into, and report upon, the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, alleged by a former Colonial Secretary to have subsisted in this country, and to receive all evidence that may be tendered or obtained concerning a murder, alleged by the same person to have been perpetrated by one or more of such conspirators, the victim of which murder is stated to be unknown to the police,"—resolves as follows :—
(1.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the Government was aware of any plot or intention to assassinate His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, before his arrival in this country, or at any time previous to the attempt upon his life.

(2.)

(2.) That it does not appear that any extraordinary precautions were taken for the preservation of the life of His Royal Highness, either on the occasion of his landing, or at any period during his stay in this country, up to the moment of his attempted assassination.

(3.) That there is no evidence to warrant the belief that the crime of O'Farrell, who attempted to murder the Duke of Edinburgh, was the result of any conspiracy or organization existing in this country, or, as far as the Government had or have any knowledge, the result of a conspiracy or organization existing elsewhere.

(4.) That there is no evidence whatever of the murder of any supposed confederate in the alleged plot.

(5.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address to the Governor, with a request that His Excellency will forward the same to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies—

Upon which Mr. Parkes had moved, by way of Amendment, the omission of all the words after the first word "That," with a view to insert in their place the following words:—"the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to inquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.

(2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.

(3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee,"—having been read;—

Debate resumed.

Dr. Lang moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until to-morrow.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dignam,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. W. Campbell.
Mr. Cooper,	
Mr. Terry,	

Noes, 35.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Bagar,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. J. Suttor,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Outley,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Fighe,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Ryan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Tunks,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Hannell.
Mr. Nowlan,	

Debate on Main Question continued.

And the House continuing to sit until after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.

Mr. Cunneen moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

Main Question stated.

Mr. W. Campbell moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Dignam,
Mr. Egan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Lloyd,	
Mr. Garrett,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Phelps,	
Mr. Bell,	
Mr. Cooper,	
Mr. Terry,	
Mr. W. Campbell,	
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Macleay,	

Noes, 32.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Rodd,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Hannell,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Roberts,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Walker,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Lackey,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Dodds,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Suttor,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Burns.

Mr. Morrice moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Question put and negatived.

Main Question stated.

Debate continued.

Original Question and Amendment stated.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Forster,
Mr. Sutherland,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Bell,	
Mr. Terry,	
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Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Lee,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Wisdom,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Ryan,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Nowlan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lord,	
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Burns.

Question then,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Martin,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Wisdom,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Hannell,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. J. Suttor,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Lord,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Walker.

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Mr. Forster,	Mr. W. Campbell,
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Mr. Phelps,	
Mr. Bell,	
Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Cooper,	
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Macleay,	

Whereupon Question,—That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed on the 15th December, 1868, to inquire into the existence of a Conspiracy for purposes of Treason and Assassination, presented by the Chairman on the 3rd instant, contains numerous statements and inferences not warranted by the evidence, and is made an instrument of personal hostility against a Member of this House, in disregard of the authorized objects of the inquiry, and manifestly for party purposes.

(2.) That the evidence shows that several principal officers of the Government,—who, from their official position and experience, were best qualified to form a correct judgment of the occurrences, and the state of public feeling during the time of excitement previous and subsequent to the attempt to assassinate the Duke of Edinburgh,—were, and are still of opinion, that meetings of seditious persons were held in the Colony; that the criminal O'Farrell was not alone and unaided in his attack upon the life of His Royal Highness; and that persons openly sympathized with the attempted assassination.

(3.)

(3.) That the evidence shows that rumours of intended violence towards His Royal Highness, more or less definite, were in circulation before the 12th March, 1868; and that some of such rumours have proceeded from sources unknown to the Government at the time, and that, therefore, they supply independent evidence in support of the statements of the official witnesses.

(4.) That the important results of the inquiry set forth in the preceding second and third resolutions, and also other matters of serious moment which ought to have been faithfully represented to this House, have been either set aside altogether, or improperly and prejudicially dealt with, in the Report.

(5.) That this House expresses its disapprobation of the said Report, and directs that it be expunged from the proceedings of the Select Committee,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Lyons,
Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Rodd,	Mr. Wisdom,
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Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Lloyd,	
Mr. Morrice,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Dignam,	
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Phelps,	
Mr. Bell,	
Mr. Terry,	
Mr. Cooper,	
Mr. Gordon,	
Mr. Macleay,	

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at four minutes to Four o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY.

Questions :—

1. MR. PIDDINGTON *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
(1.) If the Government have been made acquainted with the following facts:—That Johnson and Hardy, two seamen of the American barque "Penang," were ill-treated by the Captain and his mates, while on the passage from San Francisco to this port; they alleged that they were beaten on the head with belaying pins, and tied up by the thumbs to the rigging. They commenced actions in the Supreme Court against Captain White and his two mates; but between last Thursday and last Friday mornings the plaintiffs were, with the connivance of the Acting Consul of the United States at this port, placed in irons on board the "Penang," and forcibly conveyed on board the schooner "Lovett Peacock," then lying in the stream, bound for California,—and against their will conveyed out of the Colony?
(2.) What steps will be taken by the Government to bring the offenders to justice?
2. MR. J. CAMPBELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Has any extension of time been granted to the Contractor for Morpeth Railway Extension?
(2.) If so, when does such extension of time expire?
(3.) Will the Government insist upon this work being completed without further delay.
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Whether Mr. Fitzpatrick, the Under Secretary for Lands, has made, or notified his intention of making, application for any allowance, under the 8th clause of the Superannuation Act, as a special award; and, if so, on what grounds?
4. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he will lay upon the Table of this House, all Letters, Reports, and other Documents relating to three charges made by Bryan Patrick M'Mahon against the Senior Constable at Berrima?
5. DR. LANG *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Whether it is the intention of Government to erect the apparatus for the supply of water for the engines on the southern portion of the Southern Line of Railway, and the workshops for the Southern Line generally, at a distance of about three miles from Goulburn?

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.
3. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. W. SUTTON to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from the Vine-growers and others from the District of Bathurst, against the Bill now before the House for the prevention of the Diseases in Grape Vines, be printed, and referred to the Committee now sitting on the said Bill.
2. MR. DODDS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from 276 Vine-growers, and others resident on the Hunter, against the passing of the " Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill," be printed.
3. MR. WISDOM to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from Mr. William Cole, of Tomago, Hunter River, be printed.
4. MR. BURNS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to deprive Members of both branches of the Legislature of the right to prefer certain claims against the Crown, or to retain their seats while measures, in which they have a beneficial interest, are under the consideration of Parliament.
5. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase ; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.
6. MR. GARRETT to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence and other documents relative to the conditional purchase by William Emery, of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven ; and also of 96 acres at the same place by the same person, between the Government and the said William Emery, and any other person ; and also as to the issue of a Grant of Title to the said 72 acres of land to one Barclay.
7. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
8. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.
9. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
10. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
11. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

2. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill Reported ; adoption of Report.
3. Water Supply for the Gold Fields ; reception of Resolution from Committee.
4. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.
5. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
6. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
7. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith ;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
8. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City, and to impose rates thereon.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Deepening of Parramatta River ; Consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.
2. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the Burial of the Dead.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce during the present or the ensuing Session, a Bill similar to the one passed last Session, to authorize the Sale of certain improved Lands conditionally purchased ; and if so, will the land at Telligary Creek, in the County of Gloucester, conditionally purchased by Mr. Thomas Logan on or about the 5th January, 1862, be included in the Schedule of the Bill ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. LYONS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
2. MR. R. STEWART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The date of commencement and all particulars of proceedings in the Suit in Equity—the Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others ; also, all particulars of subsequent proceedings before a Judge, Master in Equity, or other Officer ; also, Plaintiff's Costs as near as can be ascertained, up to date of Return ; also, the amount and particulars of the money received by the Master in Equity.
 - (2.) Copies of all Evidence taken in the case.
 - (3.) Copies of all directions by the Master in Equity or other authorized Officer.
 - (4.) Copy of any Judgment or directions by the Primary Judge, having reference to the above Suit.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Alleged ill-treatment of Seamen Johnson and Hardy on board the barque "Penang":—Mr. Piddington asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) If the Government have been made acquainted with the following facts :— That Johnson and Hardy, two seamen of the American barque "Penang," were ill-treated by the Captain and his mates, while on the passage from San Francisco to this port; they alleged that they were beaten on the head with belaying pins, and tied up by the thumbs to the rigging. They commenced actions in the Supreme Court against Captain White and his two mates; but between last Thursday and last Friday mornings the plaintiffs were, with the connivance of the Acting Consul of the United States at this port, placed in irons on board the "Penang," and forcibly conveyed on board the schooner "Lovett Peacock," then lying in the stream, bound for California,—and against their will conveyed out of the Colony?

(2.) What steps will be taken by the Government to bring the offenders to justice?

Mr. Samuel answered,—The first intimation the Government received of the matter referred to by the honorable member was the notice of his Question. I have directed inquiry to be made, but am not at present in possession of sufficient information to fully reply as to the facts of the case.

- (2.) Morpeth Railway Extension :—Mr. Wisdom, on behalf of Mr. J. Campbell, asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) Has any extension of time been granted to the Contractor for Morpeth Railway Extension?

(2.) If so, when does such extension of time expire?

(3.) Will the Government insist upon this work being completed without further delay.

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) 30th April, 1869.

(3.) The extension of time was given for this purpose, and the Government expect that the work will be completed without further delay.

- (3.) Superannuation Act of 1864—Mr. Fitzpatrick :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—Whether Mr. Fitzpatrick, the Under Secretary for Lands, has made, or notified his intention of making, application for any allowance, under the 8th clause of the Superannuation Act, as a special award; and, if so, on what grounds?

Mr. Forster answered,—So far as I am aware, Mr. Fitzpatrick has made no such application, and has not notified any such intention.

- (4.) Charges against the Senior Constable of Police at Berrima :—Mr. Lucas asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Whether he will lay upon the Table of this House, all Letters, Reports, and other Documents relating to three charges made by Bryan Patrick M'Mahon against the Senior Constable at Berrima?

Mr. Robertson answered,—There will be no objection to produce the Papers. I will have them prepared as quickly as I can.

(5.)

- (5.) Railway Workshops, &c., at Goulburn:—Dr. Lang asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—Whether it is the intention of Government to erect the apparatus for the supply of water for the engines on the southern portion of the Southern Line of Railway, and the workshops for the Southern Line generally, at a distance of about three miles from Goulburn?
Mr. Sutherland answered,—This matter has been brought under the notice of the Government by the Member for the District, but no decision has as yet been arrived at.
2. Motion for Adjournment:—Dr. Lang moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Question put and negatived.
3. Papers:—Mr. Forster laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz:—
(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands reserved from sale until surveyed as the Sites for future Villages, from the 22nd January, 1869, to 12th February, 1869.
(2.) Abstract of Crown Lands, reserved from sale until surveyed for the preservation of Water Supply or other Public purpose, from the 22nd January, 1869, to 12th February, 1869,—in accordance with the 4th section of the Act 25 Vic., No. 1.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill (*“Formal” Motion*):—
(1.) Mr. W. Suttor moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from the Vine-growers and others from the District of Bathurst, against the Bill now before the House for the Prevention of the Diseases in Grape Vines, be printed, and referred to the Committee now sitting on the said Bill.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed, and referred accordingly.
(2.) Mr. Dodds moved Notice No. 2 (*as amended with the concurrence of the House*), That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from 276 Vine-growers, and others resident on the Hunter, against the passing of the “Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill,” be printed, and referred to the Committee now sitting on the said Bill.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed, and referred accordingly.
5. Cultivation of Arrowroot in the Colony (*“Formal” Motion*):—Mr. Wisdom moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That the Petition presented by him on the 17th February, from Mr. William Cole, of Tomago, Hunter River, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Mr. William Emery—Conditional Purchase of Crown Lands at Good Dog (*“Formal” Motion*):—Mr. Garrett moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That there be laid on the Table of this House, copies of all correspondence and other documents relative to the conditional purchase by William Emery, of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven; and also of 96 acres at the same place by the same person, between the Government and the said William Emery, and any other person; and also as to the issue of a Grant of Title to the said 72 acres of land to one Barclay.
Question put and passed.
7. Postponement:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of Committee of Ways and Means postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until Wednesday next.
8. Compulsory Vaccination Bill:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—
Resolved,—That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to render Vaccination compulsory.
Mr. Robertson then moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Robertson having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to render Vaccination compulsory*,”—read a first time.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, That the Bill be printed, and the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
9. Messages from the Legislative Council:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council.
(1.) United Fire and Life Insurance Company’s Incorporation Act Amendment Bill:—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled “*An Act to alter the Title of the United Fire and Life Insurance Company of Sydney to that of ‘The United Insurance Company’ and in other respects to amend the provisions of the Act to incorporate the said Company*,” presents the same to Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a Copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon, together with a Copy of the Deed of Settlement of the said Company.
Legislative Council Chamber, T. A. MURRAY,
Sydney, 18th February, 1869. President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, read a first time,—
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Friday week. (2.)

(2.) Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable William Clift and Samuel Clift Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift late of West Maitland in the Colony of New South Wales landholder deceased to grant Leases of certain Lands for Mining purposes,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th February, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

10. Supply :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the Committee having continued to sit until after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.

The Chairman reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee. Whereupon the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Nineteen Members present exclusive of the Speaker, namely :—Mr. Alexander, Mr. Bell, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Dignam, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Neale, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House at Five minutes past Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock p.m. this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied land in the said City, and to impose rates thereon.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Deepening of Parramatta River ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River.
6. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
7. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill Reported ; adoption of Report.
8. Water Supply for the Gold Fields ; reception of Resolution from Committee.
9. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for injuries sustained through Bushrangers ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn's Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863.

10. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
11. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
12. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 ; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith ;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
13. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Copy of the Postal Inspector's Report, relating to the conduct of the Postmaster at Smithfield.
2. MR. FARNELL to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the Burial of the Dead.
3. MR. BURNS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to deprive Members of both branches of the Legislature of the right to prefer certain claims against the Crown, or to retain their seats while measures, in which they have a beneficial interest, are under the consideration of Parliament.
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 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase ; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.
7. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
8. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
9. MR. BURNS to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. FORSTER to move, That this House will on next day of Sitting resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act.
2. MR. FORSTER to move, That this House will on next day of Sitting resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. **MR. BURNS** *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce during the present or the ensuing Session, a Bill similar to the one passed last Session, to authorize the Sale of certain improved Lands conditionally purchased ; and if so, will the land at Telligary Creek, in the County of Gloucester, conditionally purchased by Mr. Thomas Logan on or about the 5th January, 1862, be included in the Schedule of the Bill ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. **MR. LYONS** to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
2. **MR. R. STEWART** to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The date of commencement and all particulars of proceedings in the Suit in Equity—the Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others ; also, all particulars of subsequent proceedings before a Judge, Master in Equity, or other Officer ; also, Plaintiff's Costs as near as can be ascertained, up to date of Return ; also, the amount and particulars of the money received by the Master in Equity.
 - (2.) Copies of all Evidence taken in the case.
 - (3.) Copies of all directions by the Master in Equity or other authorized Officer.
 - (4.) Copy of any Judgment or directions by the Primary Judge, having reference to the above Suit.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

New South Wales.

No. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
2. Return of Writ:—The Speaker reported that the Writ issued by him on the 6th January last, for the Election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Gold Fields West, in room of George Thornton, Esquire, resigned, had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon of the election of Walter Church, Esquire, to serve as such Member.
3. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Lackey withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Burials Regulation Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—
 - (1.) Mr. Farnell moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the Burial of the Dead.
Question put and passed.
 - (2.) Mr. Farnell having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Burial of the Dead*," read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
5. Motions Withdrawn:—Mr. Burns withdrew the Motions Nos. 3 and 9 standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day.
6. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Forster moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, (*Government Business*)—That this House will on next day of Sitting resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act.
Question put and passed.
7. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Forster moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, (*Government Business*)—That this House will on next day of Sitting resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866.
Question put and passed.
8. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—
 - (1.) Mr. Hill presented a Petition, bearing the Seal of the Corporation, from the Mayor and Aldermen of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Waverley, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, the House may not pass this Bill into law without such Amendments as will prevent the closing of certain Roads within the Municipality.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee now sitting upon the Bill.
 - (2.) Mr. S. Brown presented a Petition, signed by the Mayor on behalf of the Municipal Council of Paddington, and bearing the Seal of the Corporation, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee now sitting upon the Bill.
 - (3.) Mr. S. Brown presented a Petition from certain freeholders, leaseholders, and householders—ratepayers of the Borough of Paddington—praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee now sitting upon the Bill.

9. Electoral Representation of the Richmond and Tweed Rivers:—Mr. Robertson presented a Petition from certain inhabitants of the Districts of the Richmond and Tweed Rivers, praying that, for the various reasons therein set forth, the Districts referred to may be erected into a separate and independent Electoral District.
Petition received.
10. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869:—Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Driver, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
11. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of introducing a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied Land in the said City, and to impose rates thereon,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Driver, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—
Resolved,—That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied Land in the said city, and to impose rates thereon.
Mr. Driver moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Driver having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled “*A Bill to enable the Municipal Council of Sydney to assess unoccupied Land in the said City and to impose rates thereon*,”—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
12. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named:—
(1.) No. 3. By Mr. Garrett, until Tuesday next.
(2.) No. 4. By Mr. Hart, until Friday next.
13. Deepening of Parramatta River:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause a sum of money, not exceeding £10,000, to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of deepening the Parramatta River,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Byrnes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.
14. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 6 postponed, on motion of Mr. Burns, until Friday next.
15. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Byrnes, the Report of this Bill from Committee of the Whole was adopted.
Ordered, that the third reading stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
16. Water Supply for the Gold Fields:—The Chairman brought up a Resolution from a Committee of the Whole, which was read a first time as follows:—
Resolved,—That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year, a sum not exceeding £1,000 to defray the expense of a competent person (to be appointed by the Government) for the purpose of examining and reporting upon the best means of procuring permanent Water Supply on the different Gold Fields of the Colony.
Resolution then, on motion of Mr. J. Suttor, read a second time and agreed to.
17. Proposed Compensation to Mr. Keightley for Injuries Sustained through Bush-rangers:—
The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of an Address to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year a sum not exceeding £500, to compensate Mr. Henry Keightley for loss of property and injury to his person on the occasion of his shooting Burke, the bushranger, at Dunn’s Plains, on the 24th of October, 1863,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. W. Suttor, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.
18. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day postponed, respectively, on motion of the Member named:—
(1.) No. 10. By Mr. Garrett, until Friday next.
(2.) No. 11. By Mr. Garrett, until Friday next.
19. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—

Upon

Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question,—having been read,—Mr. Garrett moved, That this Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely:—Mr. Burns, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Driver, Mr. Eagar, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Josephson, Mr. McKay, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Parkes, Mr. Robertson, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Wisdom,—the Speaker adjourned the House at half-past Ten o'clock, until Three o'clock on Tuesday next.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce during the present or the ensuing Session, a Bill similar to the one passed last Session, to authorize the Sale of certain improved Lands conditionally purchased; and if so, will the land at Tellighery Creek, in the County of Gloucester, conditionally purchased by Mr. Thomas Logan on or about the 5th January, 1862, be included in the Schedule of the Bill?
2. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Has any report been received from the Western Gold Commissioner in the case of Messrs. Wellington and Company?
 - (2.) If so, what is the decision come to in that case?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. LYONS *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
2. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
 - (1.) The date of commencement and all particulars of proceedings in the Suit in Equity—the Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others; also, all particulars of subsequent proceedings before a Judge, Master in Equity, or other Officer; also, Plaintiff's Costs as near as can be ascertained, up to date of Return; also, the amount and particulars of the money received by the Master in Equity.
 - (2.) Copies of all Evidence taken in the case.
 - (3.) Copies of all directions by the Master in Equity or other authorized Officer.
 - (4.) Copy of any Judgment or directions by the Primary Judge, having reference to the above Suit.
3. MR. BURNS *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to deprive Members of both branches of the Legislature of the right to prefer certain claims against the Crown, or to retain their seats while measures, in which they have a beneficial interest, are under the consideration of Parliament.
4. MR. BURNS *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
 - (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.
5. DR. LANG *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the amounts received by the Government of the Colony, from the sales of Crown Land and allotments within the boundaries of the City of Sydney; distinguishing the amounts received for each year, from the introduction of the Land-selling system, in the year 1831, to the 31st December, 1868.
6. MR. ROBERTSON *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th February, from certain inhabitants of the Richmond and Tweed Rivers District, be printed.

7. Mr. GARRETT to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.
8. Mr. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdckin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
9. Mr. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.
10. Mr. WISDOM to move,—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
11. Mr. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
3. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
4. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; second reading.
2. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866.

WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Burials Regulation Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
6. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan :—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
7. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
8. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*); second reading.

New South Wales.

No. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
2. Member Sworn:—Walter Church, Esquire, having taken the Oath and Subscribed the Roll, took his Seat as Member for the Electoral District of "Gold Fields West."

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Sale of Improved Land at Tellighery Creek,—Mr. T. Logan:—Mr. Burns asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Is it the intention of the Government to introduce during the present or the ensuing Session, a Bill similar to the one passed last Session, to authorize the Sale of certain improved Lands conditionally purchased; and if so, will the land at Tellighery Creek, in the County of Gloucester, conditionally purchased by Mr. Thomas Logan on or about the 5th January, 1862, be included in the Schedule of the Bill?
Mr. Forster answered,—The Government have no intention of introducing any measure of the kind during the present Session; but they hope to be able, at the commencement of next Session, to state what course they intend taking with reference to such Lands as are alluded to in the honorable member's question, and which may appear to require special legislation. But it has not yet been decided that the land at Tellighery Creek, in the County of Gloucester, conditionally purchased on or about the 5th of January, 1862, is within that category.
- (2.) Encroachment on Water Right at Grenfell:—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—
 - (1.) Has any report been received from the Western Gold Commissioner in the case of Messrs. Wellington and Company?
 - (2.) If so, what is the decision come to in that case?
 Mr. Forster answered,—
 - (1.) A report on this case has been received from the Commissioner of the Southern Gold Fields.
 - (2.) No decision has yet been arrived at; in fact, I have only seen the papers to-day for the first time.
3. Mrs. Mary Singleton:—Mr. Wilson, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of and of Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this matter was referred on the 19th January, 1869, together with Appendix.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Neale presented a Petition from certain Freeholders and Ratepayers of the Borough of Waverley, in opposition to this Bill in its present form, and protesting against the annexation to Sydney of any portion of the land in the said Borough.
Petition received, and referred to the Select Committee now sitting upon this Bill.
5. Papers:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz.:—
 - (1.) Return to Order in reference to "Persons appointed Members of Council of Education, or of Public School Boards," made by this House on motion of Mr. Forster, on 17th January, 1868.
 - (2.) Return to Address in reference to "Levy v. Downey," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Morrice, on 3rd February, 1869.
 - (3.) Return to Address in reference to "Application for Music License for Hamburg Hotel, King-street," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Wilson, on 2nd February, 1869.

(4.)

(4.) Return to Address in reference to "Incorporation of Numba and of South Shoalhaven," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Garrett, on 21st January, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

6. Water Supply for Town of Liverpool:—Mr. Lackey presented a Petition from certain Landed Proprietors and residents of Town and District of Liverpool, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, such steps may be taken as will secure to the petitioners a plentiful supply of Water.
Petition received.
7. Provision for the Expenses of the Proposed Visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,

Governor.

Message No. 7.

The Governor recommends to Parliament the appropriation of a sum not exceeding Two Thousand Pounds, to provide for expenses attendant upon the contemplated visit of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh to this Colony.

Government House,

Sydney, 23 February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

8. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Macleay moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
9. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Driver having presented this Bill, Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the Treason Felony Act of 1868," read a first time.
Mr. Driver then moved, That this Bill be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for "Friday next."
Mr. Martin moved, as an Amendment, That the words "Friday next" be omitted, with a view to insert "this day six months."
Question put,—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Church,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Dignam,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Lloyd,	Tellers.
Mr. Landale.	
Mr. S. Brown,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Hart.
Mr. Bell,	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Windeyer,	Tellers.
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Neale,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Hill.
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Rodd,	
Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. Lyons,	
Mr. Burns,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Byrnes,	

Original Question put and passed.

10. Compulsory Vaccination Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,

Governor.

Message No. 8.

In accordance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly to make provision for rendering Vaccination compulsory.

Government House,

Sydney, 22nd February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of the Whole upon the Bill.

11. Land Titles Department:—Mr. W. Wright ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Lyons moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon the proceedings of the Land Titles Department, in reference to the application of Mr. William Wright for a Certificate of Title to Land at Five Dock.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Burns, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Lucas, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Tunks, and the Mover.
Question put and passed.
12. Sales of Crown Lands in Sydney ("Formal" Motion):—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the amounts received by the Government of the Colony, from the sales of Crown Land and allotments within the boundaries of the City of Sydney; distinguishing the amounts received for each year, from the introduction of the Land-selling system, in the year 1831, to the 31st December, 1868.
Question put and passed.

13. Electoral Representation of the Richmond and Tweed Rivers ("Formal" Motion):—
Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th February, from certain inhabitants of the Richmond and Tweed Rivers District, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
14. Motions Withdrawn:—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motions standing in the name of Mr. Wisdom, Nos. 10 and 11 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
15. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill ("Formal" Order of the Day):—On motion of Mr. Byrnes, this Bill was read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Byrnes then moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend and apply the Provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to all parts of the Colony.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Byrnes moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to all parts of the Colony,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd February, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

16. Equity Suit—The Attorney General *v.* Elliott (Administration of Justice):—Mr. R. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing,—
- (1.) The date of commencement and all particulars of proceedings in the Suit in Equity—the Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others; also, all particulars of subsequent proceedings before a Judge, Master in Equity, or other Officer; also, Plaintiff's Costs as near as can be ascertained, up to date of Return; also, the amount and particulars of the money received by the Master in Equity.
- (2.) Copies of all Evidence taken in the case.
- (3.) Copies of all directions by the Master in Equity or other authorized Officer.
- (4.) Copy of any Judgment or directions by the Primary Judge, having reference to the above Suit.
- Debate ensued.
- Mr. Burns moved, That this Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
- Question put.
- The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Noes, 14.

Mr. De Salis,	Tellers.	
Mr. Burns,		
Mr. Parkes,		
Mr. R. Stewart,		
Mr. McKay,		
Mr. Cummings,		
Mr. Cunneen,		
Mr. Wilson,		
		Mr. Piddington,
		Mr. J. Stewart.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Samuel,	Tellers.
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Egan,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Driver.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Lyons,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. McKay,	Tellers.
Mr. Dignam,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Farnell,	Mr. R. Stewart.

Mr. Martin,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Josephson,	Tellers.
Mr. Samuel,	
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. S. Brown.

17. Motion Postponed:—Mr. Burns postponed the Motion No. 3 standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Friday next.
18. G. Lindsay, alleged Lunatic (Administration of Justice):—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House,—
- (1.) Copies of the Depositions and all other Documents connected with the case of G. Lindsay, who was committed to Darlinghurst Gaol on or about the 13th October, and transferred to Parramatta Lunatic Asylum on the 28th December, 1868.
- (2.) Copies of all Reports and Minutes of the Gaol and Asylum authorities in reference to the conduct and mental condition of the said G. Lindsay.
- Debate ensued.
- Question put and passed.

19. Mr. Garrett having addressed the House in reference to the Motion standing in his name No. 7 on the Notice Paper for to-day,—
 Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present.
 The Speaker counted the House, and there being only Seventeen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, viz.,—Mr. Alexander, Mr. Burns, Mr. Cummings, Mr. De Salis, Mr. Driver, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Mate, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tunks, and Mr. Wilson,—the Speaker adjourned the House at twenty-five minutes past Eight o'clock, until Three o'clock, To-morrow.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY.

Question :—

1. MR. FARNELL to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether the Government intend to proclaim St. Patrick's Day a Public Holiday?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Provision for the expenses of the proposed visit of H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Governor's Message No. 7, on this subject.
4. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; second reading.
5. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act.
6. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. LACKEY to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 23rd February, from certain residents of the town and district of Liverpool, asking for repairs and enlargement of Dam on George's River, at Liverpool, be printed.
2. MR. J. STEWART to move, That the Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith ;—
 (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question and which lapsed by the House being counted out on Friday, the 19th February,—be restored to the Paper, and the resumption thereof stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.
3. MR. DRIVER to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the names of all Claimants for compensation, on account of the last railway accident at Redfern, together with the amounts paid thereon.
4. MR. GARRETT to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase ; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

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No. 44.

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Question put and passed.
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And the Committee continuing to sit until after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.—

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Ordered, That the first reading of the Resolution stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

7. Vote of Credit :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker :—

BELMORE,

Message No. 9.

Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends, for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, that provision be made for defraying, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony, from the 1st to the 28th of February, in the year 1869, at the rates which have been sanctioned for the year 1868.

Government House,

24th February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, and taken into consideration in Committee of Supply.

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MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

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T. A. MURRAY,

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TUESDAY, 2 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act ; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources ?
2. MR. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—By whom, and at what time, were Miners' Rights issued to Messrs. Samuel Lambert, Paul Prisk, and William Smith, of Foley's Folly (Northern Diggings), for the year 1869 ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WILSON to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.
2. MR. TUNKS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House as to the necessity of the Government reserving from alienation sufficient Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore, for a Public Wharf, with a view of dedicating the same to the public.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz. :—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Graham, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Neale, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.

New South Wales.

No. 45.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
2. Messages from the Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker:—

(1.) Road Act Amendment Bill:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 10.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Trustees for the time being of the Parish Road leading from Sydney to the Dam of Cook's River and called the Cook's River Road to expend a portion of the Trust Funds in lighting the said Road,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 25th February, 1869.

(2.) Clifts Coal Properties Leasing Bill:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 11.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable William Clift and Samuel Clift Devises under the Will of Samuel Clift late of West Maitland in the Colony of New South Wales landholder deceased to grant Leases of certain Lands for Mining purposes,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 25th February, 1869.

(3.) Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 12.

In accordance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a Bill "to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act of 1866," and recommends to the Assembly to make provision for the payment of salaries, and other expenses connected therewith.

Government House,
Sydney, 17th February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Forster, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of the Whole upon the Bill.

(4.)

(4.) Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a Bill "to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866," and recommends to the Assembly to make provision for the payment of salaries, and other expenses connected therewith.

Government House,
Sydney, 17th February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Forster, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of the Whole upon the Bill.

3. Papers:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz.:—
 - (1.) Return to Order, in reference to Training Ship "Vernon," made by this House on motion of Mr. Morrice on 19th January, 1869.
 - (2.) Reports (2) from the Commission appointed to examine and report upon the state of the Water in George's River, at Liverpool.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Commonages for Town of Merriwa ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1 standing in the name of Mr. Wisdom, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all correspondence and papers in the possession of the Government, relative to the sale or exchange of certain Lands set apart as permanent and temporary Commonages for the town of Merriwa.
Question put and passed.
5. Papers:—Mr. Samuel laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz.:—
 - (1.) Abstract of Bank Liabilities and Assets for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1868.
 - (2.) Despatch, with Enclosure, respecting Sydney Branch Royal Mint.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Garrett withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
7. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 1, for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means, was postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until next after Order No. 3.
8. Provision for the Expenses of the Proposed Visit of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh (Order No. 2):—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Resolution from the Committee of the Whole in reference to this matter was read a second time by the Clerk, as follows:—
Resolved, That, with reference to the Governor's Message No. 7, of 23rd February, 1869, an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Estimates a sum of money not exceeding One Thousand and Fifty Pounds to provide for expenses attendant upon the contemplated visit of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh to this Colony.
Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, agreed to.
9. Postponements:—
 - (1.) The Order of the Day No. 3, for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply, on motion of Mr. Samuel, was postponed until next after Order No. 6.
 - (2.) Order of the Day No. 1 further postponed to follow next after Order No. 3, as postponed.
 - (3.) Order of the Day No. 4 postponed to follow next after No. 1, as further postponed.
10. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill (Order No. 5):—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Forster, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—
Resolved, That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act.
Mr. Forster moved, That this Report be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Mr. Forster having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "A Bill to continue and amend the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act,"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
11. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill (Order No. 6):—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Forster, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

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The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866.

Mr. Forster moved, That this Report be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Forster having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Diseases in Sheep Act of 1866*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

12. Supply—(*Postponed Order No. 3*):—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to a Resolution, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day. *Resolution*, on motion of the Chairman (*made with the concurrence of the House*), read a first time, as follows:—
(No. 3) *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding £120,000 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the Colony, for the month of February, 1869.
Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time, and agreed to.
13. Ways and Means—(*Postponed Order No. 1*):—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to a Resolution, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow. *Resolution*, on motion of the Chairman (*made with the concurrence of the House*), read a first time, as follows:—
(No. 3) *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Services of the year 1869, the sum of £120,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.
Resolution then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a second time and agreed to.
14. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2):—
(1.) Mr. Samuel moved (*with the concurrence of the House*) for leave to introduce a Bill founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 3) to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the service of the year 1869.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Samuel having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the service of the year 1869*,"—read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
15. Postponement:—The postponed Order of the Day No. 4 *further* postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until Tuesday next.
16. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit until after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY, 1869, A.M.,—

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at seventeen minutes past Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What steps have the Government taken, or do they intend taking, towards giving effect to the Vote of this House, of the year 1861,—authorizing the appropriation of £25,000 for the establishment of a Free Public Library?
2. MR. TUNKS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) Has the Government given the Municipal Council of Sydney possession of the Prospect Quarries? If so, is a supply of "Road Metal" being obtained for Sydney from the same Quarries?
(2.) By what authority, and upon what tenure does the Municipal Council of Sydney hold possession of the Quarry and adjacent land at Pennant Hills? If there is any such authority, will the Government lay a copy of the Lease, or other documents, on the Table of this House?

3. MR. WINDEYER to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Is it true that a Deputy Quarantine Officer has been appointed to assist the Port Health Officer?
 - (2.) Is the person so appointed a legally qualified medical practitioner?
 - (3.) What is the salary attached to the office?
4. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has the Government yet appointed a Commission to inquire into, and report upon, the subject of Flood Prevention in the Hunter; and if so, what are the names of the gentlemen appointed, and when are they likely to commence their labors?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Burials Regulation Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
6. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan:—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.
7. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
8. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*); second reading.
9. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
10. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
 Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question.
11. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.
12. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
13. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WISDOM to move,—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Government should introduce, with as little delay as possible, a Bill to authorize Advances of Public Money, to a limited amount, for the purpose of promoting the Improvement of Land in the Colony by works of Drainage.
 - (2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. WISDOM to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury.
3. MR. BURNS to move for leave to introduce a Bill to deprive Members of both branches of the Legislature of the right to prefer certain claims against the Crown, or to retain their seats while measures, in which they have a beneficial interest, are under the consideration of Parliament.
4. MR. DRIVER to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the names of all Claimants for compensation, on account of the last railway accident at Redfern, together with the amounts paid thereon.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2) ; second reading.
5. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, 2 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act ; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources ?
2. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—By whom, and at what time, were Miners' Rights issued to Messrs. Samuel Lambert, Paul Prisk, and William Smith, of Foley's Folly (Northern Diggings), for the year 1869 ?
3. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Have the Government come to any decision in reference to proclaiming St. Patrick's Day a public holiday ?
 - (2.) If so, what is that decision ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. WILSON *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.
2. MR. TUNKS *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House as to the necessity of the Government reserving from alienation sufficient Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore, for a Public Wharf, with a view of dedicating the same to the public.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz. :—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Graham, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Neale, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover.
3. MR. BURNS *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report upon, the administration and state of the Law in relation to Lunacy.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Wilson, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Neale, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dodds, and the Mover.
4. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase ; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.

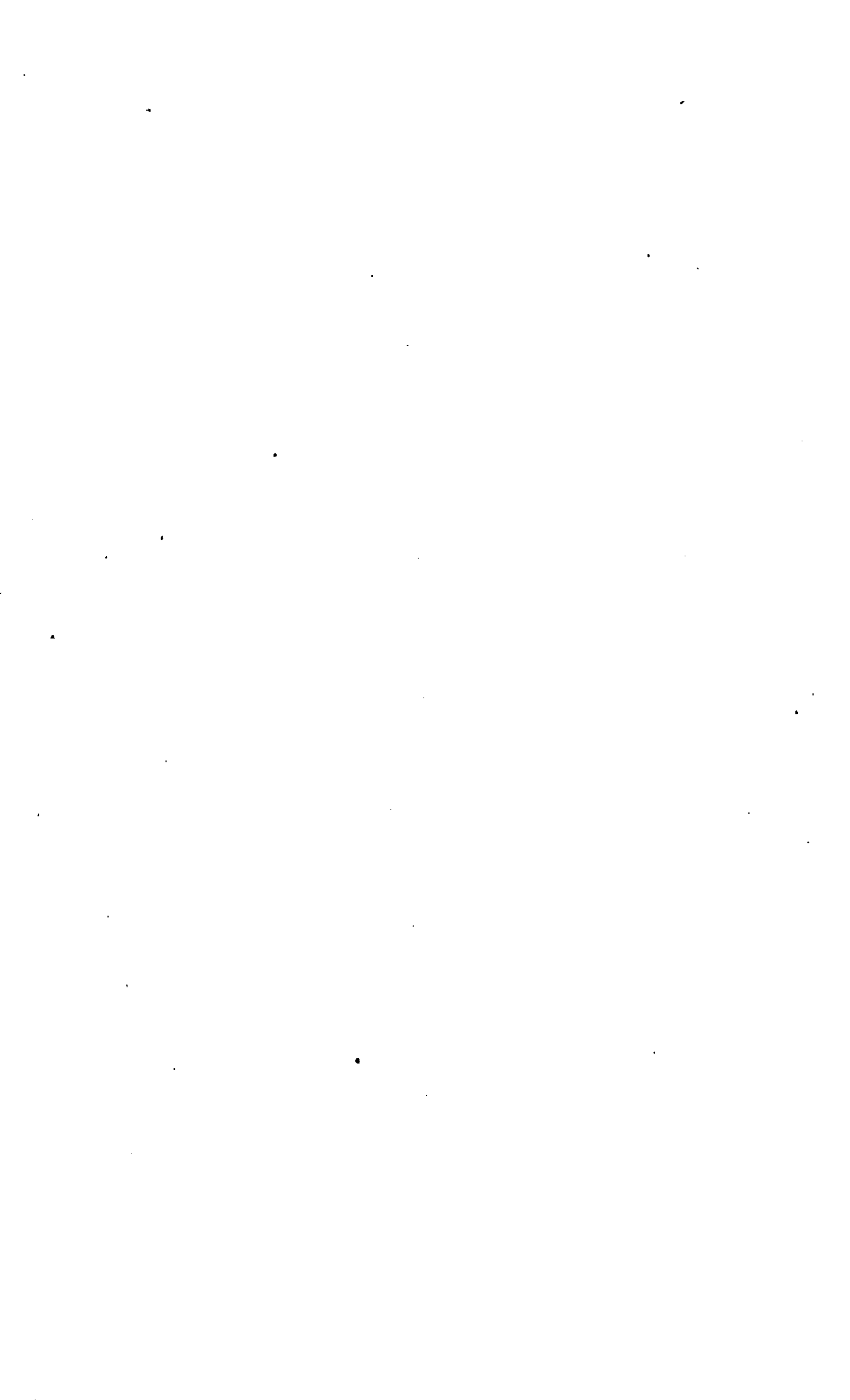
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. DODDS *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.
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New South Wales.

No. 46.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Free Public Library:—Mr. Burns asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—What steps have the Government taken, or do they intend taking, towards giving effect to the Vote of this House, of the year 1861,—authorizing the appropriation of £25,000 for the establishment of a Free Public Library?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The Government have taken no steps towards the object that the honorable member refers to, excepting that they have had several interviews with gentlemen connected with the Australian Library, who have submitted a proposition for the purchase of the books and the site of the building belonging to that Institution. With regard to the £25,000 the honorable member speaks of, many years ago the Government—of which Mr. Cowper was the head—did purchase a site for the purpose of the erection of a Free Library,—a site in Elizabeth-street; but the late Government sold it again. This Government have had little time to consider or deal with the matter; but I think I can inform the honorable member that it is very likely a proposition may be submitted to the Parliament this Session, having regard to the Australian Library property; and I think I may also say, that that honorable gentleman may rely that this Government will be prepared with a proposition for the erection of a new Library next Session.

- (2.) Road Metal, Prospect Quarries:—Mr. Tunks asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) Has the Government given the Municipal Council of Sydney possession of the Prospect Quarries? If so, is a supply of "Road Metal" being obtained for Sydney from the same Quarries?

(2.) By what authority, and upon what tenure does the Municipal Council of Sydney hold possession of the Quarry and adjacent land at Pennant Hills? If there is any such authority, will the Government lay a copy of the Lease, or other documents, on the Table of this House?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) No right of possession has been given, but merely permission to take stone therefrom for the Sydney streets; and there is every reason to believe that the permission is being used.

(2.) A mere permissive authority to quarry stone for the use of the city. There is no lease.

- (3.) Deputy Quarantine Medical Officer:—Mr. Farnell, on behalf of Mr. Windeyer, asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Is it true that a Deputy Quarantine Officer has been appointed to assist the Port Health Officer?

(2.) Is the person so appointed a legally qualified medical practitioner?

(3.) What is the salary attached to the office?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) A person has been temporarily engaged to assist the Health Officer to watch the arrival of vessels by night.

(2.) No;—but he has been appointed on the recommendation of the Health Officer, who considers him qualified to perform the duty.

(3.) He is to receive, when employed, at the rate of 15s. per day.

(4.)

- (4.) Flood Prevention in River Hunter :—Mr. Burns asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—Has the Government yet appointed a Commission to inquire into, and report upon, the subject of Flood Prevention in the Hunter; and if so, what are the names of the gentlemen appointed, and when are they likely to commence their labors?
- Mr. Robertson answered,—I have submitted to the Governor and Executive Council the names of the following gentlemen :—Edward Orpen Moriarty, Esq., Engineer for Harbors, Rivers, and Navigation; John Whitton, Esq., Chief Engineer for Railways; Philip Francis Adams, Esq., Surveyor General; William Christopher Bennett, Esq., Commissioner and Engineer for Roads; and Professor Pell. As soon as possible after the first meeting of the Executive Council, they will be gazetted; and they will proceed, I hope, immediately, to the performance of their duty.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Burdekin presented a Petition from certain Licensed Victuallers of Sydney and its environs, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into Law. Petition received.
3. Motion Withdrawn :—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, withdrew the Motion No. 1. standing in the name of Mr. Wisdom on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Charge of Perjury against R. A. Rodd, at Singleton—(Administration of Justice)— (“*Formal Motion*”) :—*Mr. Burns*, on behalf of Mr. Wisdom, moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of the Depositions taken at the Police Office, Singleton, on the 4th February, 1868, in the case of R. A. Rodd, charged with perjury. Question put and passed.
5. Postponement :—The Order of the Day No. 1 postponed, on motion of Mr. Wilson, until Friday next.
6. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Question put and passed. Bill read a second time. Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Speaker leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider this Bill. Question put and passed. *Ordered*, on motion of Mr. S. Brown (*made with the concurrence of the House*), That, in the temporary absence of the Chairman, Mr. Farnell do take the Chair of the Committee of the Whole for this occasion only. Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Deputy Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
7. Burials Regulation Bill :—Mr. Farnell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Mr. J. Stewart moved, That this Debate be adjourned until this day fortnight. Debate ensued. Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. R. Stewart,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKay,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. De Salis,
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Cooper,	

Noes, 14.

Sir James Martin,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eagar,	
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Tighe.
Mr. Lucas,	
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Lord,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Ryan,	

8. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) :—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker :—
- BELMORE, *Message No. 14.*
Governor.

In accordance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, His Excellency the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of such sums of money as may be necessary for carrying into effect the Provisions of “An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.”

Government House,
Sydney, 26th February, 1869.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

9. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Windcyer moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Lucas moved, That the Debate on this Question be postponed until this day fortnight.
Question put and passed.
10. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 5 postponed, on motion of Mr. Cunneen, until this day week.
11. Bridge over the Nepean, at Penrith:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ryan,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the imposition of the tolls now levied on the bridge across the Nepean, at Penrith, is impolitic and oppressive, and they should therefore be at once abolished;—
(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor,—having been read;—
Debate resumed and continued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Isaacs,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Byrnes,
Dr. Lang,	
Mr. Cummings,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Dignam.
Mr. Dangar,	
Mr. Mate,	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. McKay,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Church,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cooper,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Burns.
Mr. Eckford,	

12. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2):—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee. The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution:—
Resolved, That it is desirable to introduce a Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.
Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.
Question put and passed.
Mr. S. Brown having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867*," read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
13. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill:—Mr. Oatley moved, That this Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Oatley, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill;—
The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Oatley, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
14. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 9 postponed, on motion of Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.
15. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864:—
The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. J. Stewart,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable and expedient that the Act 27 Victoria, No. 7, known as the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864, should be repealed forthwith;—
(2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, embodying the foregoing Resolution,—
Upon which Mr. Samuel had moved the Previous Question,—having been read,—
Debate resumed and continued.
Previous Question put,—That that Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Dignam,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Lloyd,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Cunneen,	
Mr. Graham,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Bell,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. Burns.

Noes, 12.

Mr. Robertson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Forster,	
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. W. Suttor,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Hill,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Eagar,	

Original Question put.

The

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Burns,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Dignam,	Mr. Ryan,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Eckford,
Mr. Lloyd,	
Mr. Cunneen,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Graham,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Church.
Mr. McKay,	

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Mr. Forster,	Mr. Oatley,
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Mr. Egan,	
Mr. Sutherland,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Hill,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Eagar,	

16. Postponements :—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named, viz. :—

(1.) No. 11. By Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.
 (2.) No. 12. By Dr. Lang, until Friday next.
 (3.) No. 13. By Mr. S. Brown, until Tuesday next.

17. Members of Parliament Claims Restriction Bill :—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, for leave to introduce a Bill to deprive Members of both branches of the Legislature of the right to prefer certain claims against the Crown, or to retain their seats while measures, in which they have a beneficial interest, are under the consideration of Parliament.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Forster,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hill,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Burns.
Mr. McKay,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Farnell,	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Driver,	Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. De Salis,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eckford,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. S. Brown.
Mr. Cunneen,	

18. Railway Accident at Redfern :—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing the names of all Claimants for compensation, on account of the last railway accident at Redfern, together with the amounts paid thereon.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

19. Motions Postponed :—Mr. Driver postponed the Motions Nos. 5 and 6 standing in his name, on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.

20. Postponements :—The Orders of the Day (*Government Business*), Nos. 1, 2, and 3, postponed, on motion of Mr. Forster, until Tuesday next.

21. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2) :—Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider this Bill.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Samuel, adopted that report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the day.

22. Postponement :—The Order of the Day No. 5 (*Government Business*), postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until Tuesday next.

23. Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2), on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Samuel moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 26th February, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at three minutes past Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 2 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources?
2. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—By whom, and at what time, were Miners' Rights issued to Messrs. Samuel Lambert, Paul Prisk, and William Smith, of Foley's Folly (Northern Diggings), for the year 1869?
3. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) Have the Government come to any decision in reference to proclaiming St. Patrick's Day a public holiday?
(2.) If so, what is that decision?
4. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) When will the Government pay the compensation due for lands taken for, and damage done by, the construction of that portion of the Great Western Railway situated between Mr. Higgins's Main Camp and the Sod Walls?
(2.) Why were not the usual forms of application for compensation for lands, left with Mr. J. Stewart and Mr. M'Laughlin, at the Sod Walls?
5. MR. LORD *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Are the Government in possession of any information of the starting of upwards of ninety camels from Port Augusta, Adelaide, laden with goods for the Darling country; and if so, have they taken any steps to obtain the Duties payable on such goods?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. WILSON *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.
2. MR. TUNKS *to move*,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House as to the necessity of the Government reserving from alienation sufficient Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore, for a Public Wharf, with a view of dedicating the same to the public.
(2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz.:—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Graham, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Neale, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover.
3. MR. BURNS *to move*,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report upon, the administration and state of the Law in relation to Lunacy.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Wilson, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Neale, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Driver, Mr. Dodds, and the Mover.
4. MR. GARRETT *to move*,—
(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.
5. MR. BURDEKIN *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 26th February, against the Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill, be printed.
6. DR. LANG *to move*,—
(1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
(2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection—on such terms as may be mutually agreed on—for the Free Library, and not allow it to be dispersed.
(3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
7. MR. FARNELL *to move* for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Impounding Act of 1865.

8. Mr. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
9. Mr. DRIVER to move,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill; third reading.
2. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2); second reading.
3. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; third reading.
4. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.
6. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. ROBERTSON to move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill for the prevention of Small Pox.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; second reading.
2. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.
5. Supply; resumption of the Committee.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.

New South Wales.

No. 47.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 2 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

Mr. Garrett withdrew the Question No. 1.

- (1.) Issue of Miners Rights, Northern Diggings:—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—By whom, and at what time, were Miners Rights issued to Messrs. Samuel Lambert, Paul Prisk, and William Smith, of Foley's Folly (Northern Diggings), for the year 1869?

Mr. Forster answered,—Miners Rights, signed by the Gold Commissioner for the Northern District, were issued to Messrs. S. Lambert, P. Prisk, and William Smith, for 1869, on 1st January last, at Nundle, by Senior-Constable King.

- (2.) St. Patrick's Day:—Mr. Farnell asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Have the Government come to any decision in reference to proclaiming St. Patrick's Day a public holiday?

(2.) If so, what is that decision?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The question of St. Patrick's Day's holiday has not been under the consideration of the Government, and therefore the Government have come to no conclusion about it; but they have come to the conclusion to submit to the Governor and Executive Council the abrogation of all Saints Days holidays.

- (3.) Compensation for Land taken for Great Western Railway:—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) When will the Government pay the compensation due for lands taken for, and damage done by, the construction of that portion of the Great Western Railway situated between Mr. Higgins's Main Camp and the Sod Walls?

(2.) Why were not the usual forms of application for compensation for lands, left with Mr. J. Stewart and Mr. M'Laughlin, at the Sod Walls?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—I shall have to ask the honorable gentleman to postpone this question to a future day. The land valuator, who is the only person who can supply the answer, has been absent for the last three weeks at the North. I will let the honorable member know when he returns, and he can then repeat his question.

- (4.) Border Duties between Adelaide and New South Wales:—Mr. Lord asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—Are the Government in possession of any information of the starting of upwards of ninety Camels from Port Augusta, Adelaide, laden with goods for the Darling country; and if so, have they taken any steps to obtain the Duties payable on such goods?

Mr. Samuel answered,—About the middle of last month, the Government received information from the Sub-Collector of Customs, Moama, that a train of upwards of ninety Camels had left Port Augusta, in South Australia, laden with goods for Mount Murchison, on the Darling, in this Colony,—and requested permission to proceed and stop the goods for Duty. I at once placed myself in communication with the South Australian Government, who, in the most courteous manner, consented to receive for us the Duties chargeable on these goods, according to the tariff of this Colony, from the Honorable Mr. Elder, to whom the Camels belong, and who was willing to pay the Duties.

The Duties have been paid.

As this is a matter of some interest, I will shortly lay the Papers on the Table of the House.

I may add, that I have received information that the Camels delivered their loading, and are now returning to Port Augusta.

2. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—Mr. Mate moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having appointed a Select Committee "to consider and report upon the Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill," and that Committee being desirous to examine the Honorable Sir William Macarthur, Knight, Member of the Legislative Council, in reference thereto, requests that the Legislative Council will give leave to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, on such day and days as shall be arranged between him and the said Committee.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1869.

Speaker.

3. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Wilson withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
4. Papers :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers, viz. :—
 (1.) Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting the "Importation of South Sea Islanders into Queensland."
 (2.) List of Directors of the Destitute Children's Society, for 1869,—in pursuance of the Act 20 Vic., No. 19, Sec. 4.
 (3.) Correspondence in reference to Charges against Senior-Sergeant Healy, of the Police Force at Berrima. (*See Question on Votes No. 41, Entry 4.*)
 Ordered to be printed.
5. Impounding Act Amendment Bill ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Farnell moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Impounding Act of 1865.
 Question put and passed.

6. United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill ("Formal" Order of the Day), on motion of Mr. Garrett, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Garrett moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to alter the title of the United Fire and Life Insurance Company of Sydney to that of 'the United Insurance Company,' and in other respects to amend the provisions of the Act to incorporate the said Company.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Garrett moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message.

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to alter the title of the United Fire and Life Insurance Company of Sydney to that of 'the United Insurance Company' and in other respects to amend the provisions of the Act to incorporate the said Company,*" returns the same to the Legislative Council, without Amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill ("Formal" Order of the Day) on motion of Mr. Oatley, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Oatley moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trusts to transfer certain Roads to the Municipal Council of Randwick.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Oatley moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trusts to transfer certain Roads to the Municipal Council of Randwick,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

8. Small Pox Prevention Bill ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice (*Government Business*), That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill for the prevention of Small Pox.

Question put and passed.

9. Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore :—Mr. Tunks moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House as to the necessity of the Government reserving from alienation sufficient Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore, for a Public Wharf, with a view of dedicating the same to the public.

(2.)

(2.) That such Committee consist of the following members, viz. :—Mr. Forster, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Graham, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Neale, Mr. S. Brown, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Terry requiring that the said Committee be appointed by Ballot,—

Question,—That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House as to the necessity of the Government reserving from alienation sufficient Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore, for a Public Wharf, with a view of dedicating the same to the public,—put and passed.

Whereupon the House proceeded to the Ballot, and the Speaker declared the following to be the Committee duly appointed:—Mr. Turks, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Neale, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Forster, Mr. Hill, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. Gordon.

10. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Burns withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 3 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

11. Mr. William Emery—Conditional Purchase of Crown Lands at Good Dog :—Mr. Garrett moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the Petition of Mr. William Emery, presented to this House on the 23rd April, 1868, relative to the cancellation of his conditional purchase of 72 acres of land at Good Dog, Shoalhaven, and the subsequent cancellation of such purchase; and also into the circumstances under which a Crown Grant of Title to said land has been issued to Isaac Barclay.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Forster, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Neale, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mate, Mr. Bell, Mr. Gordon, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

12. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Garrett, on behalf of Mr. Burdekin, moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That the Petition presented by Mr. Burdekin on the 26th February, against the Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

13. Impounding Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Farnell having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Impounding Act of 1865*,"—read a first time.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Farnell, to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

14. Motions Withdrawn :—

(1.) Dr. Lang withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 6 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

(2.) Mr. S. Brown, on behalf of Mr. Driver, withdrew the Motions standing in the name of Mr. Driver, Nos. 8 and 9 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

15. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) :—Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, with an Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

16. Postponement :—The Order of the Day No. 4 postponed, on motion of Mr. Driver, until Friday next.

17. Sydney Faving Bill of 1869 :—On the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill being read,—the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again this day fortnight.

18. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill :—Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. J. Stewart,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Lloyd,	
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. W. Campbell.
Mr. Graham,	

Bill read a second time.

Nocs, 11.

Sir James Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Farnell.
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Bill.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. S. Brown, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

19. Compulsory Vaccination Bill (*Order No. 1 of Government Business*):—Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Isaacs,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Mate,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. McKay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Neale,	
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Hill.

Noes, 9.

Sir James Martin,
Mr. Wilson,
Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Piddington,
Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Byrnes,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lee,
Mr. J. Stewart,

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit until after midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH, 1869, A.M.,—

The Chairman reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee. Whereupon the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Bell, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Dangar, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Landale, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Mate, Mr. McKay, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House at sixteen minutes after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What steps Government intend to take for the purpose of filling up the vacancy in the Lands Titles Office, in the event of Mr. Burton not returning to his duty?
2. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—By what law, or regulation, Government has authorized, or allowed any person to make arrangements for taking money at the Domain Gates, from any portion of the public who may choose to enter the Domain on the days fixed for playing the Intercolonial Cricket Match?
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) If any document has been received, signed by Members of Parliament, asking Government to erect a Stand, for the accommodation of Members and their friends, at the Intercolonial Cricket Match?
 - (2.) If so, what reply has been given?
4. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the Return respecting absent Officers, ordered on the 10th of September, 1867, will be laid upon the Table?
5. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—When will the copies of the Correspondence between the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, the Curator of Intestate Estates, and the Attorney General—having reference to the intestate estate of John Tebbutt—be laid on the Table?

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill for the prevention of Small Pox.
2. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
5. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2) ; third reading.
2. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill ; third reading.

THURSDAY, 4 MARCH.

Question :—

1. DR. LANG to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What are the Sunday Trains that are run at present on the different Railways of the Colony ?
 - (2.) What is the number of men of different grades employed in running the said Sunday Trains ?
 - (3.) What is the amount of profit or loss accruing to the Government from running these Trains ?

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act ; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources ?
2. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years ?
 - (2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants ; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto ?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
2. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Impounding Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.
2. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.
3. DR. LANG to move, That this House will go into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection—on such terms as may be mutually agreed on—for the Free Library, and not allow it to be dispersed.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.

5. Mr. DRIVER to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

TUESDAY, 9 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. J. STEWART to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all Bills hereafter introduced, and all Acts emanating from the Parliament of this Colony, ought to be duly punctuated, as in ordinary printed documents, and in accordance with the present usage of the Imperial Parliament.
2. Mr. WILSON to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.

New South Wales.

No. 48.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Lands Titles Examiner :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—What steps Government intend to take for the purpose of filling up the vacancy in the Lands Titles Office, in the event of Mr. Burton not returning to his duty?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The Government have been so harassed with business, that they have found it impossible to keep up with it; and, therefore, questions that have not necessarily arisen have not been dealt with. I might say to the honorable member,—“Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.”

- (2.) Interecolonial Cricket Match :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—By what law, or regulation, Government has authorized or allowed any person to make arrangements for taking money at the Domain Gates from any portion of the public who may choose to enter the Domain on the days fixed for playing the Interecolonial Cricket Match?

Mr. Forster answered,—There is no law or regulation upon the subject; but it has not been unusual to authorize persons connected with public entertainments or exhibitions to make such arrangements as may enable them to receive money at the Domain gates, from persons willing to pay. Such authority has been given to certain parties who are engaged in making preparations for the Interecolonial Cricket Match, during the days appointed for that exhibition.

- (3.) Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) If any document has been received, signed by Members of Parliament, asking Government to erect a Stand, for the accommodation of Members and their friends, at the Interecolonial Cricket Match?

(2.) If so, what reply has been given?

Mr. Forster answered,—I have no knowledge of any such document having been received by the Government; nor, so far as I am aware, have any of my colleagues any such knowledge.

- (4.) Salaried Officers who have received Leave of Absence :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—When the Return respecting absent Officers, ordered on the 10th of September, 1867, will be laid upon the Table?

Mr. Robertson answered,—It is a long time since this Return was moved for, and even now all the papers are not ready. My attention has only now been called to it by the honorable member; but I will endeavour to have it,—indeed, I have given instructions to have it, prepared as quickly as possible; and if it cannot be completed, I will shortly lay it as complete as possible on the Table of the House. I think I may have it to-morrow.

(5.)

(5.) *Re* John Tebbutt, Legatee of Sophia Beeson:—Mr. R. Stewart asked the Solicitor General, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—When will the copies of the Correspondence between the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, the Curator of Intestate Estates, and the Attorney General—having reference to the intestate estate of John Tebbutt—be laid on the Table?

Mr. Josephson answered,—On the 18th of last February, I applied to Mr. Hutchinson for the correspondence ordered by this House to be laid on the Table. Mr. Hutchinson immediately put himself into communication with Mr. Benbow, for copies of all papers in his possession: and in the event of Mr. Benbow objecting to do so, he authorised him to make copies of the same. Mr. Hutchinson states that he has not a single paper or document in his possession, the whole having been handed over, from time to time, to Mr. Benbow or his late partner. Mr. Hutchinson has received no papers in pursuance of his application, and has called upon Mr. Benbow without being able to see him since some short time ago, when Mr. Benbow said he was not able to make copies of some of the documents, in consequence of their being in the possession of the Court. However, up to this time, he has been unable to get copies of these papers, although he has done, and is still doing, all in his power to obtain them.

2. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. R. Stewart moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

3. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill (No. 2)—(*“Formal” Order of the Day—Other Business*),—On motion of Mr. S. Brown, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Title of this Bill be *“An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.”*

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled *“An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867,”* presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd March, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

4. Small Pox Prevention Bill:—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the propriety of introducing a Bill for the prevention of Small Pox,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the following Resolution, viz. :—

Resolved,—That it is desirable to introduce a Bill for the Prevention of Small Pox.

Mr. Robertson moved, That this Resolution be now adopted.

Question put and passed.

(1.) Mr. Robertson having presented this Bill, intituled *“A Bill for the Prevention of Small Pox,”*—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

(2.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor, was delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 15.

In accordance with the 54th Clause of the Constitution Act, His Excellency the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that provision be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, of such sums of money as may be necessary for carrying into effect the provisions of an Act for the Prevention of Small Pox.

*Throsby Park,
February, 1869.*

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, to be printed, and referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named:—

(1.) No. 2. By Mr. Forster, till after No. 5.

(2.) No. 3. By Mr. Forster, till after No. 2, as postponed.

(3.) No. 4. By Mr. Samuel, until to-morrow.

6. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—Mr. Samuel moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into Committee of Supply.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

7. Member of Legislative Council as Witness :—The Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

In answer to the Message from the Legislative Assembly, dated the 2nd March, 1869, requesting leave for the Honorable Sir William Macarthur, Knt., a Member of the Legislative Council, to attend and be examined before a Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed "to consider and report upon the Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill," the Council acquaints the Assembly that leave has been granted to its said Member to attend and be examined by the said Committee, if he think fit.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

8. Special Adjournment :—Mr. Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn. Mr. Driver moved, (*with the concurrence of the House*), That the Question be amended by the addition of the words "until Seven o'clock to-morrow." Question,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—put and passed. Question then,—That this House do now adjourn until Seven o'clock to-morrow,—put and passed. Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned at one minute before Twelve o'clock, until Seven o'clock to-morrow.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

THURSDAY, 4 MARCH.

MEMO.—*The House meets at Seven o'clock, P.M., this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 4 MARCH.

Question :—

1. DR. LANG to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) What are the Sunday Trains that are run at present on the different Railways of the Colony?
(2.) What is the number of men of different grades employed in running the said Sunday Trains?
(3.) What is the amount of profit or loss accruing to the Government from running these Trains?

Contingent Notices of Motions :—

1. MR. LUCAS to move (*as an amendment on the motion for going into Committee of Supply*),—
(1.) That this House is of opinion that the public interests imperatively require that the present Parliament should be dissolved, and a new one summoned without delay.
(2.) That, for the purpose of facilitating such immediate dissolution, this House is prepared to place at the disposal of the Government the necessary Supplies for the three succeeding months.
(3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
2. MR. LUCAS to move (*on motion to adjourn to Friday or Tuesday the Debate on the amendment to the motion for the House going into Committee of Supply*), That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended, as will enable the said Debate taking precedence of all other business on the above-mentioned days.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Compulsory Vaccination Bill, which lapsed through the counting-out of this House on the 2nd March, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.
2. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
5. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

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OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BURNS to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report upon, the administration and state of the Law in relation to Lunacy.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Piddington, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Dodds, and the Mover.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill; third reading.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

Questions:—

1. MR. GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources?
2. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years?
 - (2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto?
3. MR. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—For what reasons, and at whose instance, was the Reserve at Leamington, on the Hunter River, near Jerry's Plains, thrown open to conditional purchase?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
4. Impounding Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.
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 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection—on such terms as may be mutually agreed on—for the Free Library, and not allow it to be dispersed.
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4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz.:—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

TUESDAY,

TUESDAY, 9 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. J. STEWART to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all Bills hereafter introduced, and all Acts emanating from the Parliament of this Colony, ought to be duly punctuated, as in ordinary printed documents, and in accordance with the present usage of the Imperial Parliament.
2. Mr. WILSON to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyör, That this Bill be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.



New South Wales.

No. 49.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 4 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Question on Notice Paper for to-day:—

Sunday Trains:—Dr. Lang asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) What are the Sunday Trains that are run at present on the different Railways of the Colony?

(2.) What is the number of men of different grades employed in running the said Sunday Trains?

(3.) What is the amount of profit or loss accruing to the Government from running these Trains?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) Two trains to and from Picton, Sydney, and Feurith—South and West; North—Two trains also between Newcastle, and Singleton, and Morpeth.

(2.) 92 in all, viz.,—

19 Station Masters	1 Greaser
7 Assistants	6 Guards
27 Porters	4 Engine Drivers
3 Pointsmen	4 do. Firemen
1 Signal-man	1 do. Driver } In attendance
7 Gatekeepers	1 do. Fireman } at Sydney.
3 Watchmen	4 Pumpers

Total... 92

for South and West; but I have not sufficient information for North.

(3.) The total loss is at the average rate of £27 4s. 7d. per Sunday, or £1,415 18s. 4d. per annum; but, as regards one station—Parramatta—there is a gain of £3 19s. over working expenses per Sunday. I have not had sufficient opportunity of obtaining all necessary information as to the North.

2. Assent to Bill—St. Andrew's Cathedral Close Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Samuel, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,

Message No. 16.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the appropriation of the Old Burial Ground or Cathedral Close in Sydney to certain Municipal and other public purposes,*" as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 4th March, 1869.

3. Compulsory Vaccination Bill:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Compulsory Vaccination Bill, which lapsed through the counting-out of this House on 2nd March, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

Question put and passed.

4.

4. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, by the Members named, viz. :—
 (1.) No. 1. By Mr. Robertson, until Wednesday next.
 (2.) No. 2. By Mr. Samuel, until to-morrow.
5. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of Committee of Supply having been read,—Mr. Samuel moved, “That” the Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to *Contingent Notice* No. 1, That the Question be amended by omitting all the words after the word “That” with a view to inserting in their place the words—“this House is of opinion that the public interests imperatively require that the present Parliament should be dissolved, and a new one summoned without delay.
 (2.) That, for the purpose of facilitating such immediate dissolution, this House is prepared to place at the disposal of the Government the necessary Supplies for the three succeeding months.
 (3.) That the above Resolutions be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.”
 Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit until after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH, 1869, A.M.

Question.—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Question—put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Cunneen,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Lord,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Landale,	Mr. Hoskins.
Mr. Garrett,	

Noes, 21.

Sir James Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Lackey.
Mr. Tighe,	
Mr. Eagar,	
Mr. Windeyer,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Walker,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. McKay,	
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Lee,	
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

Original Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

6. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 were postponed by Mr. Forster, until to-morrow.
7. Law relating to Lunacy:—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report upon, the administration and state of the Law in relation to Lunacy.
 (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Piddington, Mr. Windeyer, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Dodds, and the Mover.
 Question put and passed.
8. Workhouse Act Repeal Bill:—(*Order of the Day—Other Business*)—Mr. S. Brown moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
 Question put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Landale,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Hoskins,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. W. Suttor,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Terry,
Mr. W. Campbell,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Church,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Neale,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. McKay,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. J. Stewart.

Noes 17.

Sir James Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Burns,
Mr. Windeyer,	Mr. Lucas.
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Mute,	
Mr. Hannell,	
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Lackey,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Eagar,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

Bill read a third time and *passed*.

Mr.

Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to Repeal the Workhouse Act of 1866.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. S. Brown moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to Repeal the Workhouse Act of 1866,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th March, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

9. Special Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved (*with the concurrence of the House*), That this House do now adjourn until Seven o'clock, p.m., this day.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House stood adjourned at twenty minutes after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Seven o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH, 1869.

MEMO.—*The House meets at Seven o'clock, P.M., this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH.

Questions:—

1. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources?
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3. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—For what reasons, and at whose instance, was the Reserve at Leamington, on the Hunter River, near Jerry's Plains, thrown open to conditional purchase?
4. MR. HANNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is the Government aware that certain Coal Proprietors are prevented from shipping Coal at the Steam Cranes, Newcastle, by reason of the peculiar construction of their Coal Waggons?
 - (2.) When the Staiths, now in course of construction at Newcastle, or any one or more of them, will be available for the shipment of Coal?
5. MR. DRIVER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to grant to the Municipal Council of Sydney the Flagstaff Hill, so that they may improve it for the use and benefit of the Public?
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OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
2. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
3. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill; second reading.
4. Impounding Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. DODDS *to move* for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.

2. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.
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 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection—on such terms as may be mutually agreed on—for the Free Library, and not allow it to be dispersed.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Cattle Diseases Prevention Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
5. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

TUESDAY, 9 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has any Petition or representation been made to the Government, and if so, by whom, having reference to a commutation of the sentence passed upon Joseph and George Launt, tried before Mr. Justice Carey, at Mudgee, and now confined in Darlinghurst Gaol and Cockatoo Island ?
 - (2.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to afford a remission of sentence to these men ?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. J. STEWART to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all Bills hereafter introduced, and all Acts emanating from the Parliament of this Colony, ought to be duly punctuated, as in ordinary printed documents, and in accordance with the present usage of the Imperial Parliament.
2. MR. WILSON to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton, be now adopted.
3. MR. R. STEWART to move,—(In reference to Question and Answer recorded in Votes No. 48, Entry 5, on Wednesday last, viz. :—

“ Mr. R. Stewart asked the Solicitor General,—When will the copies of the Correspondence between the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, the Curator of Intestate Estates, and the Attorney General—having reference to the intestate estate of John Tebbutt—be laid on the Table ?—

“ Mr. Josephson answered,— * * * that Mr. Hutchinson states, that he has not a single paper or document in his possession, the whole having been handed over to Mr. Benbow or his late partner ; and that he (Mr. Hutchinson) is unable to procure copies of any of these papers.”—

That, in the opinion of this House, the instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, under the Sign Manual, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, to administer to the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, and all correspondence relating thereto,—also, the further instructions to proceed in Equity,—are public documents ; and immediate steps should be taken to have them restored to the custody of the proper public Officer.

4. DR. LANG to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the running of Sunday Trains on the different Railways of the Colony, being a service of very questionable benefit, and of great expense to the public, should be either wholly or in great measure discontinued.
5. MR. BYRNES to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Letters, Reports, and any other papers, referring to the imperfect construction and inferior workmanship of Eighteen Railway Carriages, lately imported for the Great Western line,—together with invoices of the same. Also, Copies of all Reports now in the hands of the Government on the condition of the permanent way of the Great Southern and Western Lines of Railway, number and condition of Engines employed in working these Lines, number of Engines under steam daily, average number of miles run daily by each Engine, number of each description of Carriages and all other rolling stock, classified with their state and condition, clearly set out, and the number of years each description has been in use.

WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. TERRY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Have the Government any Debentures to dispose of in the Colony ?
 - (2.) Has the late Loan of £177,400 all been issued ?
 - (3.) If so, by what means,—either by tender or otherwise ?
 - (4.) What was the respective price realized ?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.
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FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Burials Regulation Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell ; That this Bill be now read a second time.
 2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
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TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; to be further considered in Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 50.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 5 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Mr. Garrett withdrew the Question No. 1.
Mr. Dangar withdrew the Question No. 2.
 (1.) Land Reserve at Leamington :—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to amended Notice No. 3,—At whose instance was the Reserve at Leamington, on the Hunter River, near Jerry's Plains, thrown open to conditional purchase?
 Mr. Forster answered,—This reservation from conditional purchase was revoked, in order that the land might be sold—and, upon the report of the District Surveyor, to the effect that it was not required for a Village site.
Mr. Hannell withdrew the Question No. 4.
 (2.) Reserve at Flagstaff Hill, Sydney :—Mr. Driver asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—
 (1.) Is it the intention of the Government to grant to the Municipal Council of Sydney the Flagstaff Hill, so that they may improve it for the use and benefit of the Public?
 (2.) Is it the intention of the Government to place upon the Supplementary Estimates a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of laying-out and improving the Flagstaff Hill for the use and benefit of the Public?
 Mr. Forster answered,—
 (1.) An application for the purpose specified in the honorable member's question has been made to the Government by the Municipal Council of Sydney; but their time and attention having been of late fully occupied by more pressing matters, the Government think that the very importance of the subject—involving the transfer of so valuable a site to the Municipal authorities—justifies them in not desiring to arrive at a hasty conclusion upon such an application; the consideration of which has, therefore, been postponed, with a view to its being again taken up after the close of the present Session.
 (2.) The question of placing upon the Estimates whatever sum may appear necessary, will, of course, be considered at the same time.
2. Water Reserve for Township of Rydal :—Mr. Lucas presented a Petition from certain Freeholders and others, residents of the Township of Rydal, alleging that the Government had resumed the Water Reserve for Railway and other purposes, thereby inflicting upon the inhabitants of the District a serious grievance, and praying redress in the premises.
 Petition received,—and, on motion of Mr. Lucas, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without notice, ordered to be printed.
3. Mrs. Mary Fogg :—Mr. Driver presented a Petition from Mary Fogg, of Fish River, alleging that, by the confiscation of her husband's property, consequent upon his conviction for Felony, she has been utterly ruined, and praying an investigation into the case.
 Petition received.
4. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill :—Mr. Burdekin presented a Petition from certain Licensed Victuallers of New South Wales, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.
 Petition received.

5. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Dodds withdrew the Motion standing in his name No 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
6. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named, viz. :—
 (1.) No. 1, by Mr. Wilson, until Friday next.
 (2.) No. 2, by Mr. Driver, until Friday next.
7. Sydney Cattle Slaughtering Prevention Bill:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill, discharged, on motion of Dr. Lang.
 Bill then withdrawn, on motion of Dr. Lang.
8. Impounding Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Farnell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question put and passed.
 Bill read a second time.
 On motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Bill.
 The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, with an Amendment, the House, on motion of Mr. Farnell, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
9. Postponement:—The Order of the Day No. 5 postponed, on motion of Mr. Driver, until Friday next.
10. Motions Postponed:—The undermentioned Motions were postponed, respectively, by the Members named:—
 (1.) No. 2, by Mr. Garrett, on behalf of Mr. Dangar, until Tuesday next.
 (2.) No. 3, by Dr. Lang, until Tuesday next.
 (3.) Nos. 4 and 5, by Mr. Garrett, on behalf of Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.
11. Compulsory Vaccination Bill:—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the Whole of this Bill, having been read,—the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
 The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
12. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day (*Government Business*), were postponed, respectively, on motion of the Member named:—
 (1.) No. 2, by Mr. Forster, until Tuesday next.
 (2.) No. 3, by Mr. Forster, until Tuesday next.
13. Cattle Disease Prevention Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Forster moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put.
 The House divided;—
 And the Tellers reporting the numbers as follows:—

Ayes, 11.		Noes, 6.
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Josephson,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Forster,		Mr. Graham,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Farnell,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cunneen.	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Cummings,		Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Mate,		Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Hoskins,		

And it appearing by the said Report, that there was not a Quorum of Members present,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at Twenty-one minutes after Eight o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 9 MARCH.

Questions:—

- MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 (1.) Has any Petition or representation been made to the Government, and if so, by whom, having reference to a commutation of the sentence passed upon Joseph and George Launt, tried before Mr. Justice Carey, at Mudgee, and now confined in Darlinghurst Gaol and Cockatoo Island?
 (2.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to afford a remission of sentence to these men?
- MR. GARRETT to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C. of the Constitution Act; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources?

3. MR. HANNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 (1.) Is the Government aware that certain Coal Proprietors are prevented from shipping Coal at the Steam Cranes, Newcastle, by reason of the peculiar construction of their Coal Waggons?
 (2.) When the Staiths, now in course of construction at Newcastle, or any one or more of them, will be available for the shipment of Coal?
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 (1.) Have the Municipal Council of Sydney transmitted to the Colonial Secretary a Report of their proceedings, and a statement of their receipts and payments on account of Sewerage and Water for the year 1868, as required by clause 75 of the Sydney Corporation Restoration Act?
 (2.) If so, when will the Paper be laid on the Table of the House?
5. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 (1.) The names of all Clergymen added to, or removed from, the Schedule of those entitled to stipends from the Treasury, laid upon the Table of this House on the 30th July, 1862, when the Bill to prohibit future Grants in aid of Public Worship was under the consideration of Parliament?
 (2.) Whether any claims for stipends, other than those recognized in the Schedule, have been made to the Government; and if so, by whom, or on whose behalf, and on what grounds?
6. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When Government intend to introduce the Bill to Repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864?
7. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Was there any correspondence, memorials, or other communications, with or to the Government, from any person or persons, with reference to the rescission of the Reserve at Leamington, Jerry's Plains, Hunter River; and if so, from whom?

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 That, in the opinion of this House, the instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, under the Sign Manual, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, to administer to the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, and all correspondence relating thereto,—also, the further instructions to proceed in Equity,—are public documents; and immediate steps should be taken to have them restored to the custody of the proper public Officer.
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6. MR. BURDEKIN to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th March, against the Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill, be printed.
7. MR. DRIVER to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th March, from Mrs. Mary Fogg, be printed.
8. MR. CUNNEEN to move,—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the claim of Mr. William Cummings, for injury and loss of property sustained by him on account of the discovery of gold on his rented Crown Lands, and reported to this House on the 28th April, 1865, by the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon “ Claims of Tenants of the Crown, lodged with the Government, for injuries done to their properties since the discovery of gold on their rented Crown Lands,” is a fit one to be referred to arbitration by the Government.
 (2.) That an Address, embodying the foregoing Resolution, be presented to His Excellency the Governor.

9. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.
10. DR. LANG to move, That this House will go into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the following Resolutions, viz. :—
- (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
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- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Mr. Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Impounding Act Amendment Bill ; third reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
3. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

 WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. TERRY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
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 - (2.) Has the late Loan of £177,400 all been issued ?
 - (3.) If so, by what means,—either by tender or otherwise ?
 - (4.) What was the respective price realized ?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.

 FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years ?
 - (2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants ; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto ?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Burials Regulation Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell ; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.

[Price, 6d.]



New South Wales.

No. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 9 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) *Re* Joseph and George Launt—Administration of Justice:—Mr. Dangar asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Has any Petition or representation been made to the Government, and if so, by whom, having reference to a commutation of the sentence passed upon Joseph and George Launt, tried before Mr. Justice Cary, at Mudgee, and now confined in Darlinghurst Gaol and Cockatoo Island?

(2.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to afford a remission of sentence to these men?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I have not been able to get all the information I would like to give the honorable member with regard to this matter, yet I have an answer which will perhaps inform him of what he desires to know. A representation in favour of these prisoners was received, and reported upon by Mr. District Court Judge Cary, who stated that the offence was of such a character as to appear undeserving of any remission of sentence. A petition on behalf of these young men has been recently received, and although no new or special circumstances have been adduced, the petition, with the Judge's report, will be submitted to His Excellency's consideration.

- (2.) State-Aid to Religion—Rev. J. A. Burke:—Mr. Garrett asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Are the Government aware that the Rev. J. A. Burke, a Minister of the Church of England, formerly officiating as such in the parish of Carcoar, has ceased to perform the duties of a minister of religion, though he is in receipt of a stipend of £200 a year from the funds provided under Schedule C of the Constitution Act; and that the duties of the said Rev. J. A. Burke are now performed by the Rev. Mr. Uzzell, whose salary is discharged from funds provided by the parishioners of Carcoar, and from other sources?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I hold in my hands a letter from the Bishop's Secretary, in which he says:—"I have the honor, by direction of His Lordship the Bishop of Sydney, to say, in reply to your letter of the 8th instant, that the Rev. Mr. Burke is a clergyman licensed in the Diocese of Sydney, and residing in the Colony. He suffers from an acute disease, which incapacitates him from taking charge of a large parish. The present arrangement was made by the Bishop, with the concurrence of the Government." I have ascertained that it was made with the concurrence of the Government of which Mr. Cowper was head, and that Mr. Cowper considered it was a satisfactory arrangement. And I find that it is quite within the law.

- (3.) Shipment of Coal at Newcastle:—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of Mr. Hannell, asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Is the Government aware that certain Coal Proprietors are prevented from shipping Coal at the Steam Cranes, Newcastle, by reason of the peculiar construction of their Coal Waggons?

(2.) When the Staiths, now in course of construction at Newcastle, or any one or more of them, will be available for the shipment of Coal?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—I must ask the honorable member to repeat this question to-morrow or Thursday, as I have not yet been able to obtain the information. In fact, the honorable gentleman who put the question on the paper told me he should not be here to-day, and therefore left me more time to get the answer.

(4.)

- (4.) Minutes of Proceedings and Statement of Accounts of Sydney Municipal Council :—Mr. Tunks asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—
- (1.) Have the Municipal Council of Sydney transmitted to the Colonial Secretary a report of their proceedings, and a statement of their receipts and payments on account of Sewerage and Water for the year 1868, as required by clause 75 of the Sydney Corporation Restoration Act?
- (2.) If so, when will the Paper be laid on the Table of the House?
- Mr. Robertson answered,—The report and statement have not yet been received, owing, as has been explained by His Worship the Mayor of Sydney, to the resignation of one of the City Auditors. The documents will be laid on the Table as soon as they are received.
- Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 5.*
- (5.) Newspaper Postage Act of 1864 :—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—When Government intend to introduce the Bill to Repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864?
- Mr. Robertson answered,—With every disposition to be perfectly polite to the honorable gentleman, I think he will see that I should be acting wrongly if I answered the question he has put to me, because an Address has gone to His Excellency the Governor from this House, and the reply will, therefore, properly be made by His Excellency, and not by myself. I have no reason to doubt that that reply will be speedily laid on the Table of the House; but I do not think, with all respect to the honorable member, that it will be right for me to reply, now that the House has addressed itself to the Governor.
- (6.) Land Reserve at Leamington :—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—Was there any correspondence, memorials, or other communications, with or to the Government, from any person or persons, with reference to the rescission of the Reserve at Leamington, Jerry's Plains, Hunter River; and if so, from whom?
- Mr. Forster answered,—Mr. John Brown, of Singleton, applied to purchase, at auction, 320 acres of this reserve, and a memorial was received, through the local surveyor (Licensed Surveyor Bidin), from certain of the residents at Jerry's Plains, urging its subdivision and sale. The memorial is signed by Robert Allen, Matthew Allen, E. Doyle, R. R. Doyle, James Church, Thomas Jamison, Richard Horbon, Edward Parnell, R. W. Doyle, S. B. Doyle, J. W. Bowman, Henry Yorke, and Oliver Saunders. Edward Alford also applied to purchase 40 acres, on the ground of improvements; but his application was refused, the improvements not being of sufficient value to confer a right of purchase under the 8th clause of the Alienation Act.
2. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Byrnes withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 5 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
3. Papers :—The undermentioned Papers were laid upon the Table of the House by the Members named :—
- (1.) By Mr. Egan: Despatch and Correspondence respecting "Telegraphic Communication between United Kingdom and the Australian Colonies."
Ordered to be printed.
- (2.) By Mr. Robertson: Return (*in part*) to Order, in reference to "Salaried Officers who have received Leave of Absence," made by this House, on motion of Mr. J. Stewart, on 10th September, 1867.
- (3.) Return to Order, in reference to "Municipalities except the City of Sydney," made by this House, on motion of Mr. Forster, on 22nd November, 1867.
- (4.) "By-law of the Municipality of the Borough of Balmain," pursuant to the provisions of the Act 31 Vic. No. 12, sec. 158.
- (5.) Report on Vaccination, by the Medical Adviser to the Government, being for 1868.
Ordered to be printed.
- (6.) By Mr. Forster: Report on the State of the Aborigines, by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the Darling District.
Ordered to be printed.
4. Punctuation of Bills ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, That, in the opinion of this House, all Bills hereafter introduced, and all Acts emanating from the Parliament of this Colony, ought to be duly punctuated, as in ordinary printed documents, and in accordance with the present usage of the Imperial Parliament.
Question put.
The House divided.
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| Ayes, 28. | | Noes, 4. |
| Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Mate, | Mr. Forster, |
| Mr. Samuel, | Mr. Lloyd, | Mr. Neale. |
| Mr. Josephson, | Mr. Lord, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Egan, | Mr. Cummings, | Mr. Garrett, |
| Mr. J. Stewart, | Mr. Bell, | Mr. Driver. |
| Mr. Byrnes, | Mr. Tunks, | |
| Mr. Parkes, | Mr. W. Campbell, | |
| Mr. Wilson, | Mr. Gordon, | |
| Mr. Burns, | Mr. W. Suttor, | |
| Dr. Lang, | Mr. Cunneen, | |
| Mr. Hill, | Mr. Alexander, | |
| Mr. Phelps, | <i>Tellers.</i> | |
| Mr. Graham, | | |
| Mr. McKay, | Mr. Farnell, | |
| Mr. R. Stewart, | Mr. Hoskins. | |

5. Mrs. Mary Fogg (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Driver moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th March, from Mrs. Mary Fogg, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Impounding Act Amendment Bill:—(*Formal Order of the Day*):—On motion of Mr. Farnell read a third time and *passed*.
Mr. Farnell moved, That the title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend the Impounding Act of 1865.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon, Mr. Farnell moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Impounding Act of 1865*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

7. Mrs. Mary Singleton:—Mr. Wilson moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That the Report of the Select Committee on the Petition of Mrs. Mary Singleton be now adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
8. *Re* John Tebbutt, legatee of Sophia Beeson:—Mr. R. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That in the opinion of this House the instructions from the Solicitor to the Treasury, England, under the Sign Manual, to the Curator of Intestate Estates, Sydney, to administer to the goods of John Tebbutt, deceased, and all correspondence relating thereto,—also, the further instructions to proceed in Equity,—are public documents; and immediate steps should be taken to have them restored to the custody of the proper public officer.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Sutherland,	Tellers.	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Hill,		Mr. Forster,
Mr. Farnell,		Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Cummings,		Mr. Samuel,
Dr. Lang,		Mr. Egan,
Mr. McKay,		Mr. Burns,
Mr. Cunneen,		Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Tunks,		Mr. Macleay,

Noes, 14.

Mr. Gordon,	Tellers.	Mr. Driver,
Sir James Martin,		Mr. Piddington.
Mr. Isaacs,		
Mr. Hoskins,		

9. Paper:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, By-Law of the Municipality of the Borough of Parramatta, pursuant to the provisions of the Act 31 Vic. No. 12, sec. 158.
Ordered to be printed.
10. Sunday Railway Trains:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That in the opinion of this House the running of Sunday Trains on the different Railways of the Colony, being a service of very questionable benefit, and of great expense to the public, should be either wholly or in great measure discontinued.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Burns moved the previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question put,—That that Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 8.

Mr. Wilson,	Tellers.	Mr. Robertson,
Mr. Roberts,		Mr. Forster,
Mr. Hill,		Mr. Josephson,
Dr. Lang,		Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Ryan,		Mr. Sutherland,
Mr. Morrice,		Mr. Garrett,
		Mr. Cummings,
		Mr. Driver,
Mr. Piddington,		Mr. Gordon,
Mr. J. Stewart.		Mr. Bell,

Noes, 18.

Mr. Graham,	Tellers.	Mr. Burns,
Mr. McKay,		Mr. Hoskins.
Mr. Cunneen,		
Mr. R. Stewart,		
Mr. Farnell,		
Mr. Burdekin,		

11. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill:—Mr. Burdekin moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That the Petition presented by him on the 5th March, against the Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
12. Claims of Tenants of the Crown—Mr. William Cummings:—Mr. Cunneen moved, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—
(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the claim of Mr. William Cummings, for injury and loss of property sustained by him on account of the discovery of gold on his rented Crown Lands, and reported to this House on the 28th April, 1865, by the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon "Claims of Tenants

"Tenants of the Crown, lodged with the Government, for injuries done to their properties since the discovery of gold on their rented Crown Lands," is a fit one to be referred to arbitration by the Government.

(2.) That an Address, embodying the foregoing Resolution, be presented to His Excellency the Governor.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Burns moved, That this Debate be now adjourned until this day week.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Sir James Martin,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eagar,	
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Hill,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Burns,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	
Mr. Ryan,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. McKay,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Hoskins,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Garrett,	
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Driver.
Mr. Gordon,	

Mr. J. Stewart moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Eagar,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Parkes,	
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Graham,	
Mr. Ryan,	
Mr. Piddington,	
Mr. Isaacs,	

Noes, 16.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Burdekin,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Phelps,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Garrett,	
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Driver.

Original Question stated.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only sixteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Bell, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at Four minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. TERRY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) Have the Government any Debentures to dispose of in the Colony?
 - (2.) Has the late Loan of £177,400 all been issued?
 - (3.) If so, by what means,—either by tender or otherwise?
 - (4.) What was the respective price realized?
2. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—What amount of money has been paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Engineer for Harbours and Rivers, during the years 1867 and 1868, as fees or emoluments for sitting as a member of various Government Commissions?
3. MR. W. CAMPBELL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—Is it the case, that the Tents which General Chute refused to allow our Volunteers to use, during the proposed Easter Encampment, are actually rotting in store here, from want of use?
4. MR. HOSKINS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—What scale of fees or emoluments do the Government propose to pay those members of the Civil Service—other than the salaries they respectively receive as members of the said Civil Service—whom it is proposed to appoint as members of a Commission to inquire into the best means of preventing floods in the Hunter River?

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
5. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.
2. DR. LANG to move, That this House will go into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection—on such terms as may be mutually agreed on—for the Free Library, and not allow it to be dispersed.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
3. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
4. MR. DRIVER to move,—
 - (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Sir James Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

THURSDAY, 11 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) The names of all Clergymen added to, or removed from, the Schedule of those entitled to stipends from the Treasury, laid upon the Table of this House on the 30th July, 1862, when the Bill to prohibit future Grants in aid of Public Worship was under the consideration of Parliament?
 - (2.) Whether any claims for stipends, other than those recognized in the Schedule, have been made to the Government; and if so, by whom, or on whose behalf, and on what grounds?
2. MR. WALKER to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Have the Government come to any determination respecting the claim of Mr. William Bowman to 108 acres of land at Cudgegong, County of Phillip, selected and purchased by him in January, 1866, and previously forfeited by Charles Hardy (a minor), in December, 1865; and if so, what is the decision arrived at?
3. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—On whose authority, and for what reason, different scales of fees are charged at the Central Police and Water Police Offices for exhibits under the various Police, Masters and Servants, Tenements, and other Summary Jurisdiction Acts?
4. MR. HANNELL to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Is the Government aware that certain Coal Proprietors are prevented from shipping Coal at the Steam Cranes, Newcastle, by reason of the peculiar construction of their Coal Waggon?
 - (2.) When the Staiths, now in course of construction at Newcastle, or any one or more of them, will be available for the shipment of Coal?

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years?
 - (2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto?

OTHER

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from certain Globe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.
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 - (4.) Number of Break-vans, Trucks, Carriages, and any other rolling stock constructed, or ordered to be constructed, in the Colony for the Railway Department during the tenure of office of the late Government.
 - (5.) Copies of all Specifications and Schedules prepared by the Engineer for Existing Lines, by order of the late Government, for additional rolling stock; with advertisements for Tenders.
 - (6.) Number of Tenders received for such rolling stock by present Government, and names of parties who tendered.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 52.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH, 1869.

There being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Mate, Mr. McKay, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Samuel, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. W. Suttor,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at half-past Three o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

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Question :—

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 - (6.) Number of Tenders received for such rolling stock by present Government, and names of parties who tendered.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; to be further considered in Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 11 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 1.

- (1.) Land Claim of Mr. William Bowman :—Mr. Walker asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Have the Government come to any determination respecting the claim of Mr. William Bowman to 103 acres of land at Cudgegong, County of Phillip, selected and purchased by him in January, 1866, and previously forfeited by Charles Hardy (a minor), in December, 1865; and if so, what is the decision arrived at?

Mr. Forster answered,—No final decision has yet been arrived at, as the case awaits the production of certain evidence, which Mr. Bowman states his ability to produce.

Mr. Burns withdrew the Question No. 3.

- (2.) Shipment of Coal at Newcastle :—Mr. Hannell asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) Is the Government aware that certain Coal Proprietors are prevented from shipping Coal at the Steam Cranes, Newcastle, by reason of the peculiar construction of their Coal Waggons?

(2.) When the Staiths, now in course of construction at Newcastle, or any one or more of them, will be available for the shipment of Coal?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) No. But a portion of two of the Coal Proprietors Waggons, in consequence of their great weight, can be lifted only at the three largest Cranes.

(2.) In about four months.

- (3.) Government Debentures :—Mr. Terry asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—

(1.) Have the Government any Debentures to dispose of in the Colony?

(2.) Has the late Loan of £177,400 all been issued?

(3.) If so, by what means,—either by tender or otherwise?

(4.) What was the respective price realized?

Mr. Samuel answered,—

(1.) None at present.

(2.) Yes.

(3.) £129,000 disposed of by Tender, and £48,400 negotiated through the agency of the Government Brokers.

(4.) Sold by Tender :—

£10,800 at £ 99 0 0	|	£86,700 at £100 5 0
2,500 at 100 0 0	|	2,000 at 100 6 0
25,000 at 100 2 6	|	2,000 at 100 5 0

Sold by the Brokers :—

£48,400 at £101.

- (4.) Fees to Engineer for Harbours and Rivers for acting on Commissions :—Mr. Hoskins asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—What amount of money has been paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Engineer for Harbours and Rivers, during the years 1867 and 1868, as fees or emoluments for sitting as a member of various Government Commissions?

Mr.

Mr. Samuel answered,—There has not been sufficient time afforded to prepare this Return; but, if the honorable member will permit, in a few days I will lay a Return upon the Table, showing what he requires.

- (5.) Tents for Volunteer Encampment:—Mr. W. Campbell asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—Is it the case that the Tents which General Chute refused to allow our Volunteers to use, during the proposed Easter Encampment, are actually rotting in store here, from want of use?

Mr. Samuel answered,—On inquiry, I am informed that the tents are in a perfectly serviceable condition.

- (6.) Fees to Government Officers for acting on Commission in reference to Floods in the Hunter River:—Mr. Hoskins asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—What scale of fees or emoluments do the Government propose to pay those members of the Civil Service—other than the salaries they respectively receive as members of the said Civil Service—whom it is proposed to appoint as members of a Commission to inquire into the best means of preventing floods in the Hunter River?

Mr. Robertson answered,—In the case referred to by the honorable member, of this Commission, no fees whatever are allowed to the officers. They were chosen, not only from their ability in dealing with questions of the kind, but because, being Government officers, it seemed to me that the Government might fairly call upon them to give whatever information was in their power without giving them any payment. Of course, if there were any necessity for their going to the Hunter, the Government would have to pay their expenses, but I do not think there is any necessity, and I gather from the Chief Engineer for Harbours that it is a matter that can just as well be settled in Sydney as by going over the ground.

2. Papers:—The undermentioned Papers were laid upon the Table by the Members named:—

- (1.) By Mr. Samuel: Correspondence respecting "Suspension of, and Restoration to Office, of Mr. John Carroll, Overseer of Storcs, Quarantine Station."

Ordered to be printed.

- (2.) By Mr. Forster: Return of "Cemeteries in the Metropolitan Police District."

Ordered to be printed.

- (3.) By Mr. Robertson:—

(1.) Further Return to Order in reference to "Dismissal of Warder M'Grath from Deniliquin Gaol," made by this House on motion of Mr. Burns, on 10th December, 1868.

(2.) "By-Laws of the Municipality of the Borough of Goulburn," pursuant to the Act 31 Vic. No. 12, Sec. 158.

(3.) Return of Expenditure of Government Asylums for the Infirm and Destitute," being for the Year 1868.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Rev. Denis M'Guinn, late R. C. C. at Carcoar:—Mr. Mate, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this matter was referred, on 9th February, 1869, together with Appendix.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Motion Withdrawn:—Dr. Lang withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 2 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

5. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were respectively postponed by the Member named:—

(1.) No. 1. By Mr. Samuel, until after No. 5.

(2.) No. 2. By Mr. Samuel, until after No. 4.

(3.) No. 3. By Mr. Samuel, until after No. 1, as postponed.

6. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply,—having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the Committee continuing to sit till after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH, 1869, A.M.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

7. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2.):—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869*," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 11 March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

(2.)

(2.) Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43,*" with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule,—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

SUMMARY CONVICTIONS AND ORDERS AMENDMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria Cap. 43," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 10th March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 1, Preamble, lines 4 to 14. *Omit* "doubts are entertained whether section twenty-two of the said adopted Act extends to cases in which it is returned to a warrant of distress issued under the authority of such Act for levying any penalty compensation or sum of money adjudged or ordered to be paid by any summary conviction or order that no sufficient goods of the party against whom such warrant was issued can be found where the Statute on which the conviction or order is founded provides no mode of raising or levying such penalty compensation or sum of money or enforcing payment of the same And whereas it is expedient to remove such doubts and to amend such Statute in this respect" *insert* "it has been deemed necessary to amend such adopted Act"

Page 1, clause 1, line 19. *Before* "Section" *insert* "That"

" " line 21. *Omit* "such"

" " *After* "cases" *insert* "in which it is returned to a warrant of distress issued under the authority of such Act for levying any penalty compensation or sum of money adjudged or ordered to be paid by any conviction or order that no sufficient goods of the party against whom such warrant was issued can be found where the Statute on which the conviction or order is founded provides no mode of raising or levying such penalty compensation or sum of money or of enforcing payment of the same" *omit* "as aforesaid"

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-day.

(3.) Police Regulation Extension Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns,*" with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule,—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

POLICE REGULATION EXTENSION BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 10th March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Clause 1, line 10. *Before* "The Act" *insert* "So much of"

" lines 10 and 11. *Omit* "(save and except section twenty-one)" *insert* "as is now in force within certain Towns and places"

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Samuel, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for to-day.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-nine minutes before Two o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. DANGAR *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years?
(2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto?
2. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of Government to bring in any Bill, during this Session, to make better provision for the leasehold rights of free selectors?
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—With every disposition to be perfectly polite, and with all respect to the honorable gentleman,—when he expects to receive authority from His Excellency the Governor, to reply to the question respecting the Newspaper Postage Act, asked on Tuesday last?
4. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) When will the Government pay the compensation due for lands taken for, and damage done by, the construction of that portion of the Great Western Railway situated between Mr. Higgins's Main Camp and the Sod Walls?
(2.) Were the usual forms of application for compensation for lands, left with Mr. J. Stewart and Mr. M'Laughlin, at the Sod Walls?
5. MR. DANGAR *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—The amount of Assessments and Rents remaining unpaid by the Lessees of Crown Lands, on the 31st December last?
6. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) Has any decision been come to in the case of Messrs. Wellington and Company, in reference to a water right at Grenfell?
(2.) If not, what are the difficulties in the case that prevents a decision being come to?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
5. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
6. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
7. Police Regulation Extension Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. DODDS to move for leave to bring in a Bill to give effect to an arrangement for the division of the rents and proceeds arising out of, and proceeding from, certain Glebe and other lands of the Presbyterian Church, situate at West Maitland, between the congregations of the said Church at East and West Maitland respectively.
2. MR. BYRNES to move,—
(1.) That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Letters, Reports, and any other Papers, referring to the imperfect construction and inferior workmanship of eighteen Railway Carriages, lately imported for the Great Western Line; together with invoices for the same.
(2.) Copies of all Reports on the condition and proposed relaying of the permanent line of Railway between Sydney and the Parramatta Junction.
(3.) Number and condition of Engines employed in working the Great Southern, Western, Windsor and Richmond lines of Railway, number of Engines in steam daily, average number of miles run daily by each Engine, number of Carriages of each description, and all other rolling stock, classified, with their state and condition clearly set out, and the number of years each description has been in use.
(4.) Number of Break-vans, Trucks, Carriages, and any other rolling stock constructed, or ordered to be constructed, in the Colony for the Railway Department during the tenure of office of the late Government.
(5.) Copies of all Specifications and Schedules prepared by the Engineer for Existing Lines, by order of the late Government, for additional rolling stock; with advertisements for Tenders.
(6.) Number of Tenders received for such rolling stock by present Government, and names of par ties who tendered.

3. DR. LANG to move, That this House will go into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the following Resolutions, viz. :—
- (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
- (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
- (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bringing the Free Library into immediate operation.
4. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.
5. MR. DRIVER to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
6. MR. DRIVER to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Sir James Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.
5. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—

 - (1.) The names of all Clergymen added to, or removed from, the Schedule of those entitled to stipends from the Treasury, laid upon the Table of this House on the 30th July, 1862, when the Bill to prohibit future Grants in aid of Public Worship was under the consideration of Parliament ?
 - (2.) Whether any claims for stipends, other than those recognized in the Schedule, have been made to the Government ; and if so, by whom, or on whose behalf, and on what grounds ?

2. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—On whose authority different scales of fees are charged at the Central Police and Water Police Offices for exhibits under the various Police, Masters and Servants, Tenements, and other Summary Jurisdiction Acts ?
3. MR. DANGAR to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Do the Government purpose, during the next Session of Parliament, introducing any amendment of the Land Laws, reducing the price of land below twenty shillings per acre, and repealing or altering those Clauses of the Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861, restricting the purchase of land by lessees of runs to a certain number of acres ?
4. MR. GARRETT to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—

 - (1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed ?
 - (2.) How long has she been on her present station ?
 - (3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station ?
 - (4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there ?
 - (5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid ?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; to be further considered in Committee.



New South Wales.

No. 54.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

(1.) Police at Walgett:—Mr. Dangar asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) The amount of money expended for Forage for Police Station at Walgett within the last two years?

(2.) Are the Government aware that Senior Sergeant Flynn, lately removed from Walgett, left that district indebted to publicans and other inhabitants; and will inquiries be made in reference thereto?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) £433.

(2.) I have ascertained that a person named Cameron had a claim against Senior Sergeant Flynn, for medicines; that Flynn denied the debt, and that Cameron put the case into the Small Debts Court, as Flynn was leaving the district.

(2.) Land Laws Amendment:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Whether it is the intention of Government to bring in any Bill, during this Session, to make better provision for the leasehold rights of free selectors?

Mr. Forster answered,—To prevent misunderstanding, I will explain to the honorable member, that I answer this question, because it belongs to my Department. Recent decisions of Courts of Law having rendered less pressing the apparent necessity for legislation upon the subject, the Government have no intention of introducing any such measure during the present Session.

Mr. J. Stewart withdrew the Question No. 3.

(3.) Compensation for Lands taken for Great Western Railway:—Mr. Lucas asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) When will the Government pay the compensation due for lands taken for, and damage done by, the construction of that portion of the Great Western Railway situated between Mr. Higgins's Main Camp and the Sod Walls?

(2.) Were the usual forms of application for compensation for lands, left with Mr. J. Stewart and Mr. McLaughlin, at the Sod Walls?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) It is very difficult to reply to this question; but I may say that, so far as the Government is concerned, the compensation due is ready to be paid as soon as the claimants complete their Titles to the lands taken. With very few exceptions the delay arises in completing Title. I learn there are four cases not dealt with on Contract No. 6:—

No. 1.—Estate of J. Walker, where it has been found necessary to make an alteration in the quantity of land for a deviation of the old Bathurst Road.

No. 2.—George Lee—Notice served 18 December, 1867; claim made 12 November, 1868, since which time the Valuator has been engaged almost exclusively on the Northern Line.

No. 3.—Mr. Rotton } both for same land.
No. 4.—Mr. Nias }

This is under consideration as to necessity for taking more land.

As to Mrs. Hughes's case, I find the claim is not for land taken, but for a right to run a drain over a small portion of land. I have now received the engrossment of Release, which I have given instructions to have forwarded, for Mrs. Hughes's signature without delay.

(2.)

(2.) The names of J. Stewart and McLaughlin did not appear in the Book of Reference for Proclamation, and nothing was known of these parties until 14th December last, since which time information had to be obtained from the owner of Stewart's land; and the Land Valuator, as before stated, has since been occupied on the Northern claims. The Notices in these cases will be served in a few days, as soon as the Land Valuator can be dispatched to the Western Line.

(4.) Rents and Assessments of Crown Lands:—Mr. Dangar asked the Colonial Treasurer, pursuant to Notice No. 5,—The amount of Assessments and Rents remaining unpaid by the Lessees of Crown Lands, on the 31st December last? Mr. Samuel answered,—

Rent.....	£ 11,325	4	1
Assessment	2,769	7	0
In all	£ 14,094	11	1
There has been since received for Rent.....	£7,825	16	9
Assessment	255	10	6
	£8,081	7	3

Leaving a balance unpaid of £6,013 3 10

(5.) Encroachment on Water Right at Grenfell:—Mr. Farnell asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—

(1.) Has any decision been come to in the case of Messrs. Wellington and Company, in reference to a water right at Grenfell?

(2.) If not, what are the difficulties in the case that prevent a decision being come to?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) No decision has been arrived at by the Government upon the point submitted, namely,—whether they would appoint an extraordinary Court of Appeal against the decision of the Police Magistrate at Grenfell—a decision on the merits of the case itself not being properly within the province of the Government.

(2.) The difficulties in the case may be thus stated:—The Police Magistrate at Grenfell, Mr. Dalton, having full power to do so, heard and determined the case in a manner unfavourable to the interests of Wellington and Company. Two officers of the Government having large experience in gold mining questions have, however, since inquired into the case, and have arrived at a different conclusion upon its merits from that of Mr. Dalton. But it appears that the only way in which Mr. Dalton's decision can be legally questioned, is by appeal to a Court of Petty Sessions: while if such appeal be made to the Court at Grenfell (which is the most obvious course) it will practically be no better than an appeal to Mr. Dalton himself, owing partly to the scarcity of local magistrates, but chiefly to the inability and disinclination of ordinary magistrates to sit in judgment on gold mining cases,—unless, on the other hand, the Government specially direct one or more magistrates, experienced in gold mining matters, to hear the appeal,—a course which is not free from objections of a general kind, as well as calculated to involve considerable expense. It must, however, be borne in mind, that if any appeal be made, its initiation rests with Wellington and Company, and is in their power at present.

2. Newspaper Postage Act of 1864:—The following Message was delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker:—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 17.

With reference to the Address of the Legislative Assembly of the 26th February, 1869, conveying an expression of opinion that the Act 27 Victoria No. 7, known as the "Newspaper Postage Act of 1864," should be repealed forthwith, the Governor feels persuaded that it is not the intention of the Legislative Assembly that any attempt should be made during the present Session to repeal the Act in question; but, on the next meeting of Parliament, the Governor will be prepared, in concert with his Responsible Advisers, to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying into effect the wishes of the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
Sydney, 12 March, 1869.

3. Burials Regulation Bill:—The following Petitions in reference to this Bill were presented, respectively, by the Members named, viz.:—

(1.) By Mr. S. Brown, from certain Freeholders and Householdors of the Parish of St. Peter's, Cook's River, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may be passed into Law, with such Amendments as may carry out the wishes of the Petitioners.

Petition received.

(2.) By Mr. Hill, from the Clergyman and Churchwardens of St. Peter's, Cook's River, praying that this Bill may be passed into Law, with an Amendment by which the burial-ground at St. Peter's, aforesaid, may be exempted from the operation thereof.

Petition received.

(3.)

(3.) By Mr. Burns, from certain Residents of the Borough of Balmain, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into Law.

Petition received, and, on motion of Mr. Burns, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice,—Ordered to be printed.

(4.) By Mr. Sutherland, on behalf of Mr. Smart, from the Municipal Council of Balmain, under the Signature of the Mayor, and bearing the Seal of the Municipality, praying that this Bill may not be passed into Law.

And the same having been read at length by the Clerk, by direction of the Speaker,—

Petition received, and, on motion of Mr. Sutherland, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice,—Ordered to be printed.

(5.) By Mr. Oatley, from certain Owners and Occupiers of land, residing in the vicinity of the Balmain Cemetery, Petersham,—setting forth that, in the opinion of the Petitioners, the said Cemetery will be of considerable advantage; and praying that, for this, and other reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into law.

Petition received, and, on motion of Mr. Oatley, made (*with the concurrence of the House*), without Notice,—Ordered to be printed.

4. Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, Return to Address in reference to "G. Lindsay, alleged Lunatic (Administration of Justice)," adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. Burns, on 23rd February, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Training Ship "Vernon" :—Mr. Driver moved (*with the concurrence of the House*), without Notice,—

(1.) That the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into, and report to this House, upon the general management of the "Training Ship Vernon," be authorized to make visits of inspection to that ship.

(2.) That the said Committee be authorized to require the services of a shorthand writer in such visits of inspection, and to take any evidence they may think necessary for their inquiry.

Question put and passed.

6. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Dodds withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

7. Patrol Duty of Walgett Police ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. Dangar moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return of Patrol Duties performed by the Walgett Police during the last two years.

Question put and passed.

8. Burials Regulation Bill :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Adjourned Debate, on the motion for the second reading of this Bill,—having been read,—

Mr. Dangar moved, That the Order of the Day be postponed until Friday next.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. McKay,
Mr. Samuel,	Dr. Lang,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Hurley,
Mr. Sutherland,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Dangar.
Mr. R. Stewart,	

Noes, 14.

Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Lord,	Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Parkes,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Alexander,	
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Tunks,	Mr. S. Brown.
Mr. Oatley,	
Mr. Dodds,	

9. Postponements :—The undermentioned Orders of the Day were postponed, respectively, by the Members named, viz. :—

(1.) No. 2. By Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.

(2.) No. 3. By Mr. Wilson, until Friday next.

(3.) No. 4. By Mr. Hart, until Friday next.

(4.) No. 5. By Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.

10. Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Amendments.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill,—On motion of Mr. Farnell, that report was adopted.

Mr. Farnell then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria, cap. 43.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 12th March, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

11. Police Regulation Extension Bill :—On motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Amendments.

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The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill,—On motion of Mr. Farnell, that report was adopted.

Mr. Farnell then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 12th March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

12. Railway Plant and Statistics :—Mr. Byrnes moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of all Letters, Reports, and any other Papers, referring to the imperfect construction and inferior workmanship of eighteen Railway Carriages, lately imported for the Great Western Line; together with invoices for the same.

(2.) Copies of all Reports on the condition and proposed relaying of the permanent line of Railway between Sydney and the Parramatta Junction.

(3.) Number and condition of Engines employed in working the Great Southern, Western, Windsor and Richmond lines of Railway, number of Engines in steam daily, average number of miles run daily by each Engine, number of Carriages of each description, and all other rolling stock, classified, with their state and condition clearly set out, and the number of years each description has been in use.

(4.) Number of Break-vans, Trucks, Carriages, and any other rolling stock constructed, or ordered to be constructed, in the Colony for the Railway Department during the tenure of office of the late Government.

(5.) Copies of all Specifications and Schedules prepared by the Engineer for Existing Lines, by order of the late Government, for additional rolling stock; with advertisements for Tenders.

(6.) Number of Tenders received for such rolling stock by present Government, and names of parties who tendered.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

13. Australian Subscription, and Free, Libraries :—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to *amended* Notice No. 3, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, to take into consideration the following Resolutions, viz. :—

(1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.

(2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.

(3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. Stewart moved the previous Question.

Debate continued.

Previous Question,—That that Question be now put,—put and passed.

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Noes, 9.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. W. Suttor,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Lackey,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Cummings,	Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Nowlan,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Eagar,	Mr. Byrnes,
Mr. Smart,	Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Hart,	Mr. Egan,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Garrett,		<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>	
Mr. Hill,	Mr. Driver,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. S. Brown.	Mr. McKay.
Mr. Neale,		

14. Motions Postponed :—Mr. Driver postponed the Motions standing in his name Nos. 5 and 6, until Tuesday next.

15. Supply :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

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The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being a Quorum present, the Committee resumed.

The Chairman having again reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Bell, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Church, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hill, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Mate, Mr. Neale, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Sutherland, and Mr. W. Suttor—the Speaker adjourned the House at fifteen minutes before Eight o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
(1.) The names of all Clergymen added to, or removed from, the Schedule of those entitled to stipends from the Treasury, laid upon the Table of this House on the 30th July, 1862, when the Bill to prohibit future Grants in aid of Public Worship was under the consideration of Parliament?
(2.) Whether any claims for stipends, other than those recognized in the Schedule, have been made to the Government; and if so, by whom, or on whose behalf, and on what grounds?
2. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—On whose authority different scales of fees are charged at the Central Police and Water Police Offices for exhibits under the various Police, Masters and Servants, Tenements, and other Summary Jurisdiction Acts?
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4. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed?
(2.) How long has she been on her present station?
(3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station?
(4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there?
(5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid?
5. MR. WALKER *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—When the papers relating to the case of Mr. J. T. Neilson, ordered on the 2nd of February last, will be laid upon the Table?
6. MR. WILSON *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why the sworn evidence, taken at the Central Police Office, on the application of Mr. Keeshan for a music license, was not inserted in the Return laid on the Table of this House on 23rd February?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. BURNS *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Reports, and other documents in the possession of the Government, relating to the state and prospects of the Civil Service Superannuation Fund.
2. MR. S. BROWN *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on Friday, 12th March, in favour of the passing of "The Bill to regulate the Burial of the Dead," be printed.
3. MR. PHELPS *to move*, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return showing the number of committals by the Benches of Magistrates at Wentworth, Moorna, Euston, Menindie, Wilcarnia, and Balranald, during the past five years,—showing, in each case, the nature of the offence, place of trial, and cost thereof to the Colony; also, a similar Return of the number of Civil Causes tried at the Circuit Court and District Court, Deniliquin, during the same period, in which the parties thereto were residents of the Balranald Electorate.
4. DR. LANG *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, any Copies of Correspondence or Reports, in the archives of the office of the Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the Cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar at Port Macquarie, under the superintendence of Mr. Thomas Scott, from the year 1821 to the year 1827, inclusive.
5. MR. HILL *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on Friday, 12th March, from certain residents of St. Peter's, Cook's River, against the Closing of the Cemetery there, be printed.

6. MR. DANGAR to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, a Return showing,—
- (1.) All persons committed for trial at the Court of Petty Sessions, Wee Waa, since the removal of the Police Magistrate from that place to Narrabri.
 - (2.) Of all persons there dealt with summarily since the removal of the same officer.
 - (3.) All cases tried under the Masters and Servants and Small Debts Acts, during the same period.
7. MR. DRIVER to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee, with power to send for persons and papers, be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Petition of Dr. Frederick Beer, presented to this House on the 12th day of January last.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of the following Members, viz. :—Dr. Lang, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Hart, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Hill, and the Mover.
8. MR. DRIVER to move,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into, and report to this House upon the Petition of Mr. Thomas Dangar, presented on the 8th December last, as to his removal from the Commission of the Peace.
 - (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Robertson, Sir James Martin, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Tighe, Mr. Macleay, Mr. Burns, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Hart, and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Australian Subscription, and Free, Libraries ; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
2. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; second reading.
4. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. BURNS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has the question of establishing a Superannuation Fund for Teachers been considered or determined by the Council of Education ; and is it the intention of the Government to introduce a measure on the subject next Session ?

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Burials Regulation Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell ; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MATE to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.
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New South Wales.

No. 55.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

(1.) Stipends to Clergymen under Grants for Public Worship Prohibition Act:—

Mr. Burns asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) The names of all Clergymen added to, or removed from, the Schedule of those entitled to stipends from the Treasury, laid upon the Table of this House on the 30th July, 1862, when the Bill to prohibit future Grants in aid of Public Worship was under the consideration of Parliament?

(2.) Whether any claims for stipends, other than those recognized in the Schedule, have been made to the Government; and if so, by whom, or on whose behalf, and on what grounds?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) I fear that, in answering the honorable member, I may not be able to give him all the information he desires, or that I would desire to give to him. It seems to me, where so much is pending, the less objectionable course would be to move for a return of the papers in the matter. In earlier times, before these answers became Parliamentary records, it was not so objectionable to make long and detailed answers as it has now become, because it is understood that these answers are recorded. However, I have endeavoured to find for the honorable member what I believe he wants; and if it is not perfectly accurate, I shall be quite willing to lay upon the Table the papers from which he will be able to find for himself what I have endeavoured to find for him. The honorable member does not correctly describe the document to which he refers: that document purports to be a "List of all Ministers of Religion drawing fixed Stipends and Allowances from Schedule C, and also having any Grants from the Church and School Estates Fund." From that list only one name—the name of the Rev. Mr. M'Guinn—appears to have been removed. A Return, correctly showing the names of Ministers of Religion in receipt of any Stipend at the passing of the Grants for Public Worship Prohibition Act of 1862, and thereby entitled, under the 3rd section of that Act, to the continuance of such Stipend, was ordered by the Legislative Assembly to be printed, on 24th February, 1864. The removals from this List by death, or departure from the Colony, are stated in the List annexed.

(2.) The only claim, that I am aware of, is the untenable one of Mr. M'Guinn.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

W. H. Walsh, left Colony	H. D. H. Garvin, deceased
G. W. Richardson, deceased	W. W. Dove, deceased
G. E. Turner, deceased	T. L. Dodd, deceased
W. F. Gore, left Colony	Frederick White, left Colony
Thomas Hassall, deceased	J. A. Greaves, left Colony.
H. T. Stiles, deceased	

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

William Ross, deceased	William M'Kee, deceased.
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CHURCH OF ROME.

John McEncroe, deceased	P. J. Quinlivan, deceased
M. A. Corish, deceased	James M'Girr, left Colony
Michael Brennan, deceased	J. J. Therry, deceased
Patrick Magennis, deceased	J. T. Dunne, deceased
John Grant, deceased	J. H. A. Curtis, left Colony.
Bernard Murphy, deceased	

(2.)

- (2.) Fees charged at Central, and Water Police, Offices for Exhibits:—Mr. Burns asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—On whose authority different scales of fees are charged at the Central Police and Water Police Offices for exhibits under the various Police, Masters and Servants, Tenements, and other Summary Jurisdiction Acts?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I have found, on inquiry, that a fee of one shilling is charged at the Water Police Office on information exhibited, which is not charged at the Central Police Office. The explanation is, that in 1861, the late Water Police Magistrate having inquired whether such charge was legal, and having been advised by the late Attorney General in the affirmative, its payment from the revenue was authorized by the Government of the day. This, I believe, is the only difference. The anomaly will be inquired into by the Government during the ensuing recess of Parliament. It seems to me that this is a very unsatisfactory state of things; I cannot see why the fees should be different in the different Courts.

- (3.) Land Laws Amendment:—Mr. Dangar asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—Do the Government propose, during the next Session of Parliament, introducing any amendment of the Land Laws, reducing the price of land below twenty shillings per acre, and repealing or altering those Clauses of the Crown Lands Alienation Act of 1861, restricting the purchase of land by lessees of runs to a certain number of acres?

Mr. Forster answered,—The Government will take the subject into consideration; but their time and attention having been hitherto engrossed by more pressing matters, they have not yet been able to give the question of amending the Land Laws such full and careful consideration as to admit of their stating, at present, what policy they will be prepared to pursue upon the points specially alluded to, by the honorable gentleman.

Mr. Garrett withdrew the Question No. 4.

Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Walker, withdrew the Question No. 5.

- (4.) Application for Music License for Hamburg Hotel, King-street:—Mr. Wilson asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—Has the sworn evidence, taken at the Central Police Office, on the application of Mr. Keeshan for a music license, been intentionally omitted from the Return laid on the Table of this House on 23rd February?

Mr. Robertson answered,—The oath was taken before Mr. George Hill and the Police Magistrate,—but the evidence was not reduced to writing; and, as it is not in writing, I cannot lay it on the Table of the House.

2. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill:—Mr. Hart, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table, the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before the Select Committee, for whose consideration and Report this Bill was referred on 12th February, 1869, together with Appendix.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hart then moved, That the second reading of this Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

Question put and passed.

3. Burials Regulation Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—*Mr. Garrett*, on behalf of Mr. S. Brown, moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That the Petition presented by Mr. S. Brown on Friday, 12th March, in favour of the passing of "The Bill to regulate the Burial of the Dead," be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Trials and Committals in the Riverine District—Administration of Justice (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Phelps moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the number of committals by the Benches of Magistrates at Wentworth, Moorna, Euston, Menindie, Wilcarnia, and Balranald, during the past five years, showing, in each case, the nature of the offence, place of trial, and cost thereof to the Colony; also, a similar Return of the number of Civil Causes tried at the Circuit Court and District Court, Deniliquin, during the same period, in which the parties thereto were residents of the Balranald Electorate.

Question put and passed.

5. Burials Regulation Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Hill moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That the Petition presented by him on Friday, 12th March, from certain residents of St. Peter's, Cook's River, against the Closing of the Cemetery there, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

6. Trials and Committals at Wee Waa—Administration of Justice (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Dangar moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing,—

(1.) All persons committed for trial at the Court of Petty Sessions, Wee Waa, since the removal of the Police Magistrate from that place to Narrabri.

(2.) Of all persons there dealt with summarily since the removal of the same officer.

(3.) All cases tried under the Masters and Servants and Small Debts Acts, during the same period.

Question put and passed.

7. Civil Service, and Police, Superannuation Funds:—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to amended Notice No. 1, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of all Reports, and other documents in the possession of the Government, relating to the state and prospects of the Civil Service, and Police, Superannuation Funds. Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
8. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation:—Dr. Lang moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Correspondence or Reports, in the archives of the office of the Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the Cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar at Port Macquarie, under the superintendence of Mr. Thomas Scott, from the year 1821 to the year 1827, inclusive.
Mr. Burns moved, That the Question be amended by the addition of the following words at the end thereof, viz:—"together with Returns, showing the conditions upon which Mr. Scott received the appointment of Superintendent of the Sugar Plantation at Port Macquarie, the amount of Salary, extent of land, and other emoluments derived by him from that, and all other appointments which he has held under the Government of this Colony."
Question,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—put and passed.
Whereupon Question,—That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Correspondence or Reports, in the archives of the office of the Colonial Secretary, on the subject of the Cultivation of the Sugar-cane, and the manufacture of Sugar at Port Macquarie, under the superintendence of Mr. Thomas Scott, from the year 1821 to the year 1827, inclusive,—together with Returns, showing the conditions upon which Mr. Scott received the appointment of Superintendent of the Sugar Plantation at Port Macquarie, the amount of salary, extent of land, and other emoluments derived by him from that, and all other appointments which he has held under the Government of this Colony,—put and passed.
9. Motions Dropped:—Mr. Driver not making the Motions standing in his name Nos. 7 and 8 on the Notice Paper for to-day, they dropped.
10. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869:—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the Whole having been read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without amendment, the House adopted that Report, and, on motion of Mr. Driver, ordered, that the third reading of the Bill as so reported stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
11. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3, respectively postponed, on motion of Mr. Driver, until Friday next.
12. Australian Subscription, and Free, Libraries:—On motion of Dr. Lang, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the following Resolutions, viz:—
(1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
(2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
(3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being a Quorum present, the Committee resumed.
The Chairman having again reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being a Quorum present, the Committee resumed.
The Chairman having again reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Alexander, Mr. Burns, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hill, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. McKay, Mr. Neale, Mr. Piddington, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. R. Stewart, and Mr. W. Suttor,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at thirteen minutes past Six o'clock, until To-morrow, at three o'clock,

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed?
 - (2.) How long has she been on her present station?
 - (3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station?
 - (4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there?
 - (5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid?

Contingent Notice of Motion :—

1. SIR JAMES MARTIN to move (*as an Amendment on the motion for going into Committee of Supply*),—
 - (1.) That this House desires to express its regret that His Excellency the Governor should have thought proper, in his Message No. 17 of the 12th of March, instant, to attribute to it an intention apparently at variance with the language used by it, in reference to the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
 - (2.) That this House feels it necessary, in defence of its undoubted rights, to deny the power of His Excellency to initiate any measure for the repeal of the before-mentioned Act, or of any other Act, inasmuch as such power can be exercised only in Parliament, and on the motion of some Member thereof.
 - (3.) That this House desires further to deny that the sanction of His Excellency is in any way necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the wishes of this House in reference to the repeal of any existing law, except when the Bill, to accomplish such repeal, shall be presented for His Excellency's approval.
 - (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Small Pox Prevention Bill; second reading.
5. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. J. STEWART to move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of introducing a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
2. MR. HART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
 - (1.) An Alphabetical List of the names of Justices of the Peace residing usually within the Metropolitan Police District.
 - (2.) The date of their several appointments.
 - (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at either of the Police Courts of Sydney or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st of January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868.
 - (4.) A List of the names of the Justices of the Peace, residing in the Metropolitan Police District, who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, in the said district, during the above-mentioned period.
 - (5.) The total number of Justices of the Peace residing in the Metropolitan Police District.
3. MR. HART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
 - (1.) A List of the names and residences of Justices of the Peace in each of the police districts (exclusive of the Metropolitan) in this Colony.
 - (2.) The date of their several appointments.
 - (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at a Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st January to the 31st December in each of the Years 1867 and 1868.
 - (4.) A List of the names of Justices of the Peace in each of the several police districts of this Colony (exclusive of the Metropolitan), who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, from the 1st January, 1867, until the 31st December, 1868.
 - (5.) A statement of the total number of Justices of the Peace for this Colony usually residing therein.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; third reading.

THURSDAY,

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has the question of establishing a Superannuation Fund for Teachers been considered or determined by the Council of Education ; and is it the intention of the Government to introduce a measure on the subject next Session ?
2. DR. LANG *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) What are the intentions of Government in regard to the Proclamation of Roads through the Water Reserve ?
(2.) Have the Corporation of the City of Sydney offered any objections to the carrying of such intentions into effect ?
3. MR. BYRNES *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When may the Petitioners of Nerrigunda expect a reply to their Petition, presented by the honorable member, Mr. James Rodd, relative to Repairs of Road leading from Nerrigunda to Urobodalla ?

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Burials Regulation Bill ; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell ; That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
3. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
4. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*) ; second reading.
5. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
6. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MATE *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.



New South Wales.

No. 56.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Mr. Garrett withdrew the Question standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day.
2. Newspaper Postage Act Repeal Bill ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of introducing a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
Question put and passed.
3. Statistics respecting Justices of the Peace ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 3, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing:—
 - (1.) A List of the names and residences of Justices of the Peace in each of the police districts (exclusive of the Metropolitan) in this Colony.
 - (2.) The date of their several appointments.
 - (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at a Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st January to the 31st December in each of the Years 1867 and 1868.
 - (4.) A List of the names of Justices of the Peace in each of the several police districts of this Colony (exclusive of the Metropolitan), who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, from the 1st January, 1867, until the 31st December, 1868.
 - (5.) A statement of the total number of Justices of the Peace for this Colony usually residing therein.
 Question put and passed.
4. Question of Privilege—Newspaper Postage Act of 1864:—Sir James Martin, on the ground of *privilege*, moved (*without Notice*),—
 - (1.) That this House desires to express its regret that His Excellency the Governor should have thought proper, in his Message No. 17 of the 12th of March, instant, to attribute to it an intention apparently at variance with the language used by it, in reference to the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
 - (2.) That this House feels it necessary, in defence of its undoubted rights, to deny the power of His Excellency to initiate any measure for the repeal of the before-mentioned Act, or of any other Act, inasmuch as such power can be exercised only in Parliament, and on the motion of some Member thereof.
 - (3.) That this House desires further to deny that the sanction of His Excellency is in any way necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the wishes of this House in reference to the repeal of any existing law, except when the Bill, to accomplish such repeal, shall be presented for His Excellency's approval.
 - (4.) That the foregoing Resolutions be embodied in an Address, and presented to His Excellency the Governor.
 Debate ensued.
Dr. Lang moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question put,—That that Question be now put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Wilson,	
Mr. Eagar,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Piddington,	Mr. Walker,
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. J. Stewart.
Mr. Byrnes,	
Mr. Lucas,	
Mr. Burns,	
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Hammell,	
Mr. Nowlan,	
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. Tunks,	
Mr. Farnell,	
Mr. Tighe,	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Smart,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Hurley,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Burdekin,	Mr. Driver,
Mr. McKay,	Mr. Gordon,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Lloyd,
Mr. Alexander,	
Mr. Bell,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Dangar,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Terry,	Mr. Hart.

5. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trusts to transfer certain Roads to the Municipal Council of Randwick," with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, including Amendments in the Title,—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th March, 1869.

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman Presiding.

RANDWICK AND COOGEE ROADS TRANSFER BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trusts to transfer certain Roads to the Municipal Council of Randwick," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 17th March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 1, Title. Add the letter "s" to "Council"

" " Before "Randwick" insert "Sydney and "

" " After "Randwick" add "respectively"

Pages 1 and 2, clause 1. Omit clause 1 insert the following new clause:—

"1. From and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the said Trust to transfer to the Municipal Council of Sydney that portion of the roads mentioned in the first and second paragraphs of the Schedule of the said recited Act extending about one hundred and thirty-seven chains from Botany street through the Sydney Common and Water Reserve to the gate at the entrance to the Randwick Racecourse and to the Municipal Council of Randwick that portion of the said roads extending about one hundred and seventy-seven chains from the said racecourse gate to the waters of Coogee Bay Provided always that the Municipal Council of Sydney and the Municipal Council of Randwick shall respectively engage to pay and discharge all the debts liabilities and responsibilities of the said Trust in the proportion in point of extent in which such roads shall be transferred to them and thereupon the said Municipal Councils shall in respect to the portions of the said roads so transferred to them hold occupy possess and enjoy for the uses of the said Councils all the powers privileges rights and authorities now vested in the said Commissioners under the Acts of Parliament hereinbefore recited Provided further that the revenue derived from the tolls on the said roads shall be divided between the said Councils in the like proportion as aforesaid and shall be exclusively applied upon the said roads in such manner as the said Councils may deem most expedient for the public safety or convenience and the due collection of the said tolls."

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hart, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

(2.) Municipalities Act Amendment Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act of 1867," with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, including an Amendment in the Title,—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th March, 1869.

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman Presiding.

MUNICIPALITIES

Transfer of roads
to Sydney and
Randwick
Councils.

Provision for
discharging the
debts of the
Trust.

Appropriation
&c. of the tolls.

MUNICIPALITIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act of 1867," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 17th March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Title. *After "1867" add "in regard to East St. Leonard's."*

Page 1, clause 2. *Omit clause 2.*

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Lucas, That the consideration in Committee of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for Friday next.

6. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

And the Committee having continued to sit till after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH, 1869, A.M.—

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being a Quorum present, the Committee resumed.

The Chairman having again reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Nineteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Bell, Mr. Burdekin, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. Church, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Macleay, Mr. McKay, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at fifteen minutes after Three o'clock, a.m., until Three o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH.

Questions:—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has the question of establishing a Superannuation Fund for Teachers been considered or determined by the Council of Education; and is it the intention of the Government to introduce a measure on the subject next Session?
2. DR. LANG *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) What are the intentions of Government in regard to the Proclamation of Roads through the Water Reserve?
 - (2.) Have the Corporation of the City of Sydney offered any objections to the carrying of such intentions into effect?
3. MR. BYRNES *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When may the Petitioners of Nerrigunda expect a reply to their Petition, presented by the honorable member, Mr. James Rodd, relative to Repairs of Road leading from Nerrigunda to Urobodalla?
4. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed?
 - (2.) How long has she been on her present station?
 - (3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station?
 - (4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there?
 - (5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid?
5. MR. DODDS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is it true that the mileage rate on the Northern Railway for passenger traffic is greater than that charged on the Southern and Western lines; and if so, is it the intention of the Government to readjust the rates and charges for travelling on the Great Northern line, with a view to assimilate the charges on that line with the charges for travelling on the other lines mentioned?
6. MR. WALKER *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the papers connected with the case of Mr. J. T. Neilson (ordered on the 2nd of February last) be laid upon the Table of this House?

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Small Pox Prevention Bill; second reading.
5. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) An Alphabetical List of the names of Justices of the Peace residing usually within the Metropolitan Police District.
 - (2.) The date of their several appointments.
 - (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at either of the Police Courts of Sydney or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st of January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868.
 - (4.) A List of the names of the Justices of the Peace, residing in the Metropolitan Police District, who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, in the said district, during the above-mentioned period.
 - (5.) The total number of Justices of the Peace residing in the Metropolitan Police District.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Newspaper Postage Act Repeal Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of introducing a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
2. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; third reading.

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH.

Question:—

1. MR. FARNELL to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Did the Executive Government receive, in February last, a Petition from William Linden, and others, praying for the liberation of John Linden, who was sentenced to fifteen years' hard labour on the roads, or other public works of the Colony, and who is now serving that sentence on Cockatoo Island?
 - (2.) Has the prisoner Linden served twelve years of the said sentence; if so, was he not entitled to be discharged in June last past, under the Act or regulations for the remission of sentences?
 - (3.) Has the aforementioned Petition been under the consideration of the Executive; if so, has any determination been come to in the matter?

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*); second reading.
5. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer That this Bill be now read a second time.
6. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
7. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
8. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MATE to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.
2. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the following Resolutions, viz.,—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation,—which lapsed, on the 16th instant, from the House having been counted out,—be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

3. Mr. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Memorial from certain Public and Denominational School Teachers, respecting the continued omission of any allowance for house-rent to Non-vested, Public, and Certified Denominational School Teachers, presented to the Council of Education on or about the 1st March, 1868; and also Copies of all Minutes of the Council in reference to the same subject.

TUESDAY, 23 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any opinions given by the Crown Law Officers, or any of them, on the Lunacy Act of 1867, or any section thereof.
2. Mr. CHURCH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Memorials or Petitions, or of any Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons, or of any Reports, Minutes, or other Public Documents having reference to a claim for a reward for the discovery of the Emu Creek Gold Field.

[Price, 6d.]

New South Wales.

No. 57.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Superannuation Fund for Teachers:—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of Mr. Burns, asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Has the question of establishing a Superannuation Fund for Teachers been considered or determined by the Council of Education ; and is it the intention of the Government to introduce a measure on the subject next Session ?
Mr. Robertson answered,—The question of establishing a Superannuation Fund for Teachers has been under consideration ; but no decision has, as yet, been arrived at.
Dr. Lang not asking the Question No. 2, it dropped.
 - (2.) Repair of Road to Urobodalla:—*Mr. Farnell*, on behalf of Mr. Byrnes, asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—When may the Petitioners of Nerrigunda expect a reply to their Petition, presented by the honorable member, Mr. James Rodd, relative to Repairs of Road leading from Nerrigunda to Urobodalla ?
Mr. Forster answered,—The local Surveyor has been instructed to report—and since reminded ; his report may, therefore, be expected shortly.
Mr. Garrett withdrew the Question No. 4.
Mr. Dodds withdrew the Question No. 5.
Mr. Walker not asking the Question No. 6, it dropped.
2. Papers :—*Mr. Forster* laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Abstract of Sites for Cities, Towns, and Villages, declared under the 4th Section of the Act 25 Victoria No. 1, during the period between 15th February and 15th March, 1869.
 - (2.) Abstract of Crown Lands reserved from sale until Surveyed for the preservation of Water Supply or other public purposes, in accordance with the 4th Section of the Act 25 Victoria No. 1, during the period between 15th February and 15th March, 1869.
 Ordered to be printed.
3. Supply :—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
 The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.
 The Chairman also reported from the Committee of Supply certain Resolutions, which were read a first time, (*with the concurrence of the House*) as follows :—

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR 1868 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Services of 1864 and Previous Years.

No. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(4.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £913 10s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Police, Salaries in 1862, further sum.

No.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(5.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £41 3s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Postage of the various Public Departments, 1864, further sum.

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENDITURE.

(6.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £129 2s. 4d., to defray Unclassified Expenditure; being to cover Payments made on account of 1864 and Previous Years, after the Balances of Appropriations available for such were written off.

Services of 1865.

NO. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(7.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1 1s., to defray supplementary charge for Wollongong Gaol, Medical Fee.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(8.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £428, to defray supplementary charge for Postage of the various Public Departments, further sum.

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENDITURE.

(9.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £82 1s. 2d., to defray Unclassified Expenditure; being to cover Payments made on account of 1865, after the Balances of Appropriations available for such were written off.

Services of 1866.

NO. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(10.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3 15s., to defray supplementary charge for Gaol, Darlinghurst—Incidental Expenses, further sum.

(11.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £31 17s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being cost of the passages to this Colony of four Ladies engaged in England as Nurses for the Sydney Infirmary, further sum.

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

(12.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £62 19s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Coroners Inquests, further sum.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(13.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £83 18s., to defray supplementary charge for Steam Navigation and Pilot Boards.

(14.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £80, to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services, being for Postage of the various Public Departments, further sum.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(15.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8 19s. 2d., to defray supplementary charge for Commission to Land Agents, Appraisers, and others, further sum.

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENDITURE.

(16.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,378 16s. 11d., to defray Unclassified Expenditure; being to cover Payments made on account of 1866, after the Balances of Appropriations available for such were written off.

Services of 1867.

NO. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(17.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,627, to defray supplementary charge for Police; being £8,599 for Forage, Rent of Premises, Remount Horses, Conveyance of Prisoners, and other Incidental Expenses, further sum; and £28 for Boat for the Hunter River in times of Flood.

(18.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £262 2s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Gaol, Sydney.

(19.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £98 3s. 6d., to defray supplementary charge for Gaol, Mudgee.

(20.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £24 11s., to defray supplementary charge for Gaols, Country Districts.

(21.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £17 11s. 11d., to defray supplementary charge for Observatory.

(22.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £648 19s. 11d., to defray supplementary charge for Asylums for the Infirm and Destitute.

(23.)

(23.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,412 17s. 9d., to defray supplementary charge for Charitable Allowances; being £34 for Salaries, for December, 1867, of Lady Superintendent and five Nursing Sisters, Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary; £291 10s. 3d., for the support of Infants removed from the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney, to the Asylum for Destitute Children, Randwick, further sum; £514 2s. for the support of Paupers in the Colonial Hospitals, further sum; and £573 5s. 6d. in aid of the Erection and Maintenance of an Hospital at Grenfell, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions.

(24.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,461 0s. 7d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £205 5s. 1d. for Relief to Sufferers by Floods, further sum; £581 9s. for Expenses, during the year 1867, of the Commission appointed to inquire into Water Supply for Sydney and Suburbs; £21 10s. for Boat and Gear for the Aborigines, Jervis Bay and Shoalhaven; £350 15s. 7d. for amount of the Government Endowment withheld from the Municipal Council of Paddington, in consequence of certain Returns required by law not having been furnished in time—(Resolution of Assembly); and £302 0s. 11d. for Expenses in London and Paris, in connection with the representation of the Colony at the Universal Exhibition held in Paris, in 1867, further sum.

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

(25.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £150, to defray supplementary charge for Coroners Inquests.

(26.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £54 10s. 6d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being Law Expenses in the case of *Deane vs. Cooper* and others, further sum.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(27.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £39 5s., to defray supplementary charge for Stamp Duties.

(28.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £62, to defray supplementary charge for Printing, Bookbinding, and Postage Stamps.

(29.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,649 7s. 7d., to defray supplementary charge for Stores and Stationery; being £100 for conveyance of Stores, further sum; £49 7s. 7d. for Packing and other Expenses, further sum; and £8,500 for Stores and Stationery for the Public Service generally, further sum.

(30.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £36 16s., to defray supplementary charge for Gunpowder Magazine, Spectacle Island; being £16 14s. 7d. for allowance to Foreman for Rations; and £20 1s. 5d. for Wages to Labourers, further sum.

(31.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £12 11s., to defray supplementary charge for Shipping Masters, further sum.

(32.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £229 19s., to defray supplementary charge for Steam Navigation and Pilot Boards; being £133 7s. for Fees to Non-official Members of the Steam Navigation Board, further sum; £39 for Fees to Shipwright Surveyor, further sum; and £57 12s. for Fees to Surveyors at Outports.

(33.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,452 8s. 9d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £100 for Postage of the various Public Departments, further sum; £174 6s. 6d. to meet the expense of carrying on the Coast Surveys, further sum; £750 for Allowance for Stationery and Postage to Clerks of Petty Sessions, Land Agents, and Registrars of District Courts, further sum; and £428 2s. 3d. for Balance due to the Government of Victoria, on account of Murray River Customs Collections, from 1st February to 31st December, 1867, as per 5th, 6th, and 7th clauses of the Agreement of 12th January of that year.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(34.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,676 15s. 1d., to defray supplementary charge for Roads other than Main Roads; being £100 for Bridge over Kangaroo Creek, on Road from Yass to Burrowa; £268 0s. 5d. for rent of the Windsor Ferry, 1867, refunded to the Trustees, to enable them to keep in order the approaches and works in connection therewith; £308 14s. 8d. for rent of the Mudbank and Bunnerong Toll-bar, from 1st January, 1866, to 18th September, 1867, refunded to the Trustees; and £1,000 for fencing Public Roads where proclaimed through enclosed lands, further sum.

(35.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,550, to defray supplementary charge for Survey of Lands; being £2,300 for fees to Licensed Surveyors, further sum; and £4,250 for Commission to Land Agents, Appraisers, and others, further sum.

(36.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £300, to defray supplementary charge for occupation of Lands, being for Fees for appraisement of Runs, further sum.

(37.)

(37.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £975 11s. 2d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £163 10s. for compensation to sundry persons for loss of crops, caused by the approaches to the Pitnacree Bridge passing through their lands; £338 14s. for expense of removing and re-erecting Buildings and Fencing consequent upon the East Maitland and Paterson Road approaching the Pitnacree Bridge; £49 4s. 8d. for compensation for loss of Land required for the Road from the south boundary of T. Adams' 21 acres, Oinlygamba, Bullock Island, to the north boundary of that land; £135 for compensation for Land taken for the formation of Approaches to the Cowra Bridge; £250 for Expenses of putting the Botanic Gardens and Domain into good order prior to the visit of H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh; £1 2s. 6d. for compensation for Land required for the Road from the Bathurst and Orange Road, *via* Byng, to Guyong; and £38 for expense of removing Barn and Fencing on the Road from Largs to Morpeth, *via* Narrowgut.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(38.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,857 9s. 8d., to defray supplementary charge for Railways, Working Expenses, further sum.

(39.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £127 3s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Steam Dredge "Pluto," further sum.

(40.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £950, to defray supplementary charge for Public Works and Buildings, being for ordinary repairs, alterations, and additions to Public Buildings generally, further sum.

Services of 1868.

NO. II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(41.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £130 12s. 6d., to defray supplementary charge for His Excellency the Governor, being allowance in lieu of lodging to the Aide-de-camp, 275 days, at 9s. 6d. per diem.

NO. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(42.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £256 4s., to defray supplementary charge for Volunteers; being £126 4s. for additional Drill Instructors, £40 for Uniforms and Travelling Expenses, £40 for reconstruction of the West Maitland Rifle Range, and £50 for Travelling Expenses of Staff Officers.

(43.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,236 10s. 6d., to defray supplementary charge for Police; being £3,100 for Forage, Rent of Premises, Remount Horses, Conveyance of Prisoners, and other Incidental Expenses, further sum; £60 for Whaleboat and Skiff for Police, Newcastle; and £76 10s. 6d., for verdict damages and costs of an action brought by Cornelius M'Closker against Sub-inspector Thorpe, for false imprisonment.

(44.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £267, to defray supplementary charge for Lunatic Asylums, being Allowance to Commissioner to enable him to prepare a Report upon the Plans of Construction, Systems of Management, &c., of the principal Lunatic Asylums of Europe and America.

(45.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £109 12s. 2d., to defray supplementary charge for Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek.

(46.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £15, to defray supplementary charge for Lunatic Receiving House, Darlinghurst.

(47.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £75, to defray supplementary charge for Registrar General.

(48.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,305, to defray supplementary charge for Immigration.

(49.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100, to defray supplementary charge for Charitable Institutions.

(50.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £350, to defray supplementary charge for Grants in aid of Educational Institutions; being £200 towards the erection of a School of Arts at Lambton, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; £100 in aid of the Mechanics Institute, Deniliquin, in the proportion of £1 to every £2 raised by private contributions; and £50 in aid of the Berrima School of Arts, in same proportion.

(51.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,000, to defray supplementary charge for Asylums for Infirm and Destitute, further sum.

(52.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,491, to defray supplementary charge for Charitable Allowances; being £3,000 for the support of Infants removed from the Benevolent Asylum to the Destitute Children's Asylum at Randwick, further sum; £599 in aid of the Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private

private contributions, further sum; £407 for salaries of Lady Superintendent and 5 Nursing Sisters, Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary, for the year 1868; £300 for enclosing, reclaiming, and improving Land attached to Newcastle Hospital, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; £100 in aid of the Funds of the above Institution, on the same condition; and £85 in aid of the erection of a Wash-house, Bath-room, and Dead-house, Tamworth Hospital.

(53.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £22,853 3s. 3d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £250 to pay all outstanding Balances due to Exhibitors and others, and provide Medals for services to persons engaged in the Paris Universal Exhibition; £20,175 Os. 7d. for Expenses connected with the Reception and Entertainment of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, on the occasion of his visit to this Colony during the present year, further sum; £2,090 12s. 8d. for Expenses, during the present year, of the Commission appointed to inquire into Water Supply for Sydney and Suburbs; £200 for Exploration of Limestone Caves, Wellington Valley; £50 for collating for binding Parliamentary Papers received from England, from 1858 to 1867 inclusive, estimated at 1,000 volumes; £50 towards the publication of the fourth volume of Bentham's Work on the Flora of Australia; and £37 10s. to meet Mr. Philip Baker's claim for collecting the Census in the two Districts of Lower Darling in 1851, 50 days at 15s. per diem.

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

(54.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £245 13s., to defray supplementary charge for Law Officers; being £35 5s. for fees to Prosecuting Barristers, further sum; and £210 8s. for Travelling Expenses, further sum.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(55.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £42, to defray supplementary charge for Colonial Distilleries and Refineries.

(56.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £30, to defray supplementary charge for Printing, Bookbinding, and Postage Stamps.

(57.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,646, to defray supplementary charge for Stores and Stationery; being £1,500 for Stores for the Public Service generally, further sum; and £9,146 for 2,500 Snider Rifles and Ammunition ordered from England.

(58.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £132 13s. 8d., to defray supplementary charge for Gunpowder Magazine, Goat Island; being £102 1s. 8d. for Assistant Foreman, from 1st June, at £175 per annum; £25 10s. for a Cooper, at 5s. per diem, from 20th September; and £5 2s., for allowance to Cooper for Rations.

(59.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £374 12s. 5d., to defray supplementary charge for Harbours, Light Houses, and Pilot Department; being £75 for Fees to Non-official Members of the Steam Navigation Board, further sum; £50 for Engineer and Shipwright Surveyors, Outports; £100 for New Boats, and Repairs, &c., further sum; £72 for Light-keeper, Barrenjuey, at £144 per annum, from 1st July; and £77 12s. 5d. for Pilot, Bellinger River, at £175 per annum, from 22nd July.

(60.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £27,542 9s. 2d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £26,000, probable amount of Murray River Collections during the year 1868, payable to the Government of Victoria, under the 5th, 6th, and 7th clauses of the Agreement of 12 January, 1867; £750 for allowance for Stationery and Postage to Clerks of Petty Sessions, Land Agents, and Registrars of District Courts, further sum; £100 for compensation to Mr. John Shanks, late Pilot, Port Jackson, for loss of health consequent on the late accident at the Heads; £176 8s. Expense of the Commission appointed to inquire into the system of testing Marine Steam Boilers; £72 9s. Expense of the Commission appointed to inquire into the loss of the steam-ship "Telegraph"; £46 8s. Expense of the Board appointed to inquire into the management of the Quarantine Station; £100 for removal of Life-boat Shed, Newcastle; £116 13s. 4d. Gratuity to John Thursell, late Boatman, Customs Department; £94 Gratuity to Allan Hinton, late Assistant Light Keeper, Port Stephens; £86 10s. 10d., one-half per cent. Commission on Payments in England, by the Government Financial Agents, further sum.

NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(61.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £150, to defray supplementary charge for Department of Lands; being for extra Clerical Assistance in preparation of Returns for Parliament.

(62.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £75, to defray supplementary charge for Survey of Lands; being £37 10s. for one Draftsman, from £400 to £450, from 1st April, and £37 10s., for one Draftsman, from £450 to £500, from same date.

(63.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,500, to defray supplementary charge for Commission to Land Agents, Appraisers, and others, further sum.

(64.)

(64.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,900, to defray supplementary charge for Registration of Brands; being £250 for Assistant Registrar; £600 for three Clerks, at £200 each; £150 for one Clerk; £900 for Sheep Inspectors, for acting as Deputy Registrars, viz.:— One Chief Inspector at £50, and 34 Inspectors at £25 each; and £5,000 for Printing, and other Incidental Expenses.

(65.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,694, to defray supplementary charge for Roads other than Main Roads; being £1,500 for improvement of the Road from Cowra to Grenfell, and the erection of a Bridge on that Line; £300 for formation of the Deviation from the Road from Richmond to the New Bridge; £300 for Wharf and Approaches, Wiseman's Ferry; £500 for completion of the Bulli Pass Road; £30 for repair of Punt at Windsor; £200 for erecting Bridges on the Koggerah Road; £400 for Bridge over Mill Creek, Stroud; £200 for formation of the Road from Bulli to Coal Cliff; £230 for metalling Sheather's Lane, Camden; £210 for repair of Road from Coonabarrabran to Baradine; £200 for repair of Road from Walcha to Tia; £174 for Causeway at Luskintyre; and £400 for Toll-house and Bar on the Road from Parramatta to the Great North Road.

(66.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £216 6s. 11d., to defray supplementary charge for Necropolis, Haslem's Creek; being £159 5s. 5d. for Secretary, at £250, from 12th May; £40 6s. 5d. for Clerk, at £100, from 6th August; and £16 15s. 1d. for Messenger, at £52, from 5th September.

(67.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £442 7s. 9d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £182 7s. 9d. to reimburse Mr. A. E. Bush for his actual personal outlay in rendering services to the Government, on the Gold Fields, in the years 1851 and 1852; £100 for opening up a Limestone Quarry at Long Reach, Wollondilly River; £65 for Compensation to Mrs. Elizabeth Halerow, for injury to her land at Shoalhaven (Resolution of Assembly); £55 for Fencing Cemetery at Tinonee; and £40 for Fencing Cemetery at Waratah, further sum.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(68.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £40,074, to defray supplementary charge for Railways; being £74 for Forage Allowance for Engineer-in-Chief for Railways; and £40,000 for Working Expenses, further sum.

(69.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,130 17s., to defray supplementary charge for Harbours and River Navigation; being £1,500 for contingent expenses, Steam Dredge "Samson," further sum; £400 for salaries and contingencies of the Steam Dredge "Hercules," further sum; £3,200 for approach to West Maitland Bridge, further sum; £500 for incidental repairs of Wharfs, Bridges, and other Public Works, further sum; £503 17s. for refund of *ad valorem* duty on Iron-work from England, for West Maitland Bridge; and £27 for drainage from the Domain, near Palmer-street.

(70.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,272, 0s. 3d. to defray supplementary charge for Public Works and Buildings; being £1,500 for Repairs, Alterations, and Additions, to Public Buildings generally, further sum; £500 for repairs to Military Buildings, further sum; £300 for paving in front of Public Buildings, further sum; £148 3s. for repairs, Roman Catholic Orphan School; £3,070 for Police Buildings, further sum; £1,971 10s. for erection of a Telegraph and Post Office at Wagga Wagga; £850 for erection of a Telegraph and Post Office at Mount Victoria; £73 13s. 9d. for Post Office at Deniliquin, further sum; £30 for Fencing Cemetery at Hay, further sum; £280 for laying on Water to Parliamentary Buildings, Infirmary, and Hyde Park; £157 13s. 6d. for repairs to Sill, Dry Dock, Cockatoo Island, further sum; and £391 for Additions to Government Printing Office.

(71.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,153 5s., to defray supplementary charge for Roads and Bridges; being £2,700 for repair of the Main Southern Road into Goulburn; £303 5s. for reflooring the Bridge over the Railway at Ashfield; and £150, estimated amount of collections at Grafton Punt—October to December, 1868—to be expended in maintenance of same.

(72.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £404 8s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Miscellaneous Services; being £381 8s. 4d. for Compensation to Mrs. H. Nowlan, for certain land at Muswellbrook taken for Railway purposes (Resolution of Assembly); and £23 for Monument to the memory of Constable O'Grady, Nerrigundah, further sum:

NO. VIII.—POSTMASTER GENERAL.

(73.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,050, to defray supplementary charge for Post Office; being £150 for Postal Inspection; and £900 for Steam Postal Communication *via* Suex, further sum.

(74.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £1,884 3s. 4d., to defray supplementary charge for Electric Telegraphs; being £200 for Station Master, Grenfell, from 1st January; £26 for Messenger, Grenfell, from 1st January; £150 for Station Master, Uralla, from 1st January; £47 16s. 8d. for Operator, Raymond Terrace, from 1st February, at £52 per annum

annum; £150 for Station Master and Line Repairer, Wiseman's Ferry, from 1st March, at £180 per annum; £69 6s. 8d. for Operator, Mount Victoria, from 1st May, at £104 per annum; £115 for Station Master and Line Repairer at Eden, from 1st June, at £180 per annum; £90 for Station Master and Line Repairer at Inverell, from 1st July, at £180 per annum; £52 for Operator, Glen Innes, from 1st July, at £104 per annum; £26 for Operator, Denman, from 1st July, at £52 per annum; £6 10s. for Station Master, Bega, from 1st October, at £26 per annum; £6 10s. for Station Master, Merimbula, from 1st October, at £26 per annum; £30 for Station Master and Line Repairer at Gunnedah, from 1st November, at £180 per annum; £15 for Station Master and Line Repairer at Port Macquarie, from the 1st December, at £180 per annum; £15 for Station Master and Line Repairer at Moruya, from 1st December, at £180 per annum; £525 for Alphabetical Instruments; and £360 for repairs and alterations to Lincs damaged by Floods.

TO BE RAISED BY LOAN.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(75.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty (to be raised by Loan), a sum not exceeding £3,900, to defray supplementary charge for Harbours and River Navigation, being improvement of the Navigation of the Rivers Murray, Murrumbidgee, and Darling, further sum.

(76.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty (to be raised by Loan), a sum not exceeding £10,260, to defray supplementary charge for Telegraphs; being £2,500, Kiama to Jervis Bay; £160 Newcastle to Co-operative Company's Works; £220, Newcastle to Lambton Colliery Works; £150, Newcastle to New Lambton Colliery Works; £800, Muswellbrook to Denman; £800, Eden to Bega; £450, Additions to Port Stephens Line; £180, to purchase Improvements, Grenfell; and £5,000, in anticipation of further Extensions under the Guarantee System. Resolutions then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice, read a second time, and agreed to.

4. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 respectively postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, until to-morrow.

The House adjourned, on motion of Mr. Robertson, at twenty-five minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH.

Questions:—

1. MR. FARNELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Did the Executive Government receive, in February last, a Petition from William Linden, and others, praying for the liberation of John Linden, who was sentenced to fifteen years hard labour on the roads, or other public works of the Colony, and who is now serving that sentence on Cockatoo Island?
 - (2.) Has the prisoner Linden served twelve years of the said sentence; if so, was he not entitled to be discharged in June last past, under the Act or regulations for the remission of sentences?
 - (3.) Has the aforementioned Petition been under the consideration of the Executive; if so, has any determination been come to in the matter?
2. MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed?
 - (2.) How long has she been on her present station?
 - (3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station?
 - (4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there?
 - (5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid?
3. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount of money has been received at the Picton Goods Station during the past three months?
 - (2.) How many men employed at said Station, and what amount of wages has been paid them during the last three months?
 - (3.) Is the Secretary for Public Works aware that said Goods Station is closed at 1 o'clock on Saturdays,—to the great inconvenience of settlers, and others in the Picton district, who travel a long distance to it for goods?
4. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What was the amount of tender per sleeper for the 4,500 sleepers required for railway purposes, on 2nd March, 1869?
 - (2.) Who was the successful tenderer?
 - (3.) Was the lowest tender accepted?
 - (4.) What course will Government take if the sleepers be not to contract time?

OTHER

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (*as amended in Select Committee*); second reading.
5. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer That this Bill be now read a second time.
6. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
7. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
8. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill; consideration in Committee of Legislative Council's Amendments.
9. Newspaper Postage Act Repeal Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the propriety of introducing a Bill to repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.
10. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869; third reading.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. MARE to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.
2. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the following Resolutions, viz.,—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation,—which lapsed, on the 16th instant, from the House having been counted out,—be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
3. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Memorial from certain Public and Denominational School Teachers, respecting the continued omission of any allowance for house-rent to Non-vested, Public, and Certified Denominational School Teachers, presented to the Council of Education on or about the 1st March, 1868; and also Copies of all Minutes of the Council in reference to the same subject.
4. MR. HART to move, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) An Alphabetical List of the names of Justices of the Peace residing usually within the Metropolitan Police District.
 - (2.) The date of their several appointments.
 - (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at either of the Police Courts of Sydney or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st of January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868.
 - (4.) A List of the names of the Justices of the Peace, residing in the Metropolitan Police District, who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, in the said district, during the above-mentioned period.
 - (5.) The total number of Justices of the Peace residing in the Metropolitan Police District.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That Monday next be an additional Sitting Day of this House, and that Government Business take precedence of all Other Business on that day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Small Pox Prevention Bill; second reading.
5. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

TUESDAY, 23 MARCH.

Questions:—

1. MR. DODDS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is it true that the mileage rate on the Northern Railway for passenger traffic is greater than that charged on the Southern and Western lines; and if so, is it the intention of the Government to readjust the rates and charges for travelling on the Great Northern line, with a view to assimilate the charges on that line with the charges for travelling on the other lines mentioned?

2. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have representations been made to the Government to the effect that the sum of £160, granted for a bridge between Plattsburgh and Wallsend, is insufficient to complete the work; and will the additional amount required be provided, to enable the Trustees to make the bridge available for public use?
3. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has any proposal been made to the Wallsend Coal Company, with a view to obtain a piece of ground at Wallsend for the purpose of erecting a Police Station thereon?
4. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Did the Trustees for the Road from Newcastle *viâ* Wallsend to the junction of the Maitland and Gosford Roads, receive, during last year, the usual annual rate per mile for repairs for the whole length; and if not, will the deficiency be placed at the disposal of the Trustees for further repairs of the said Road?
 - (2.) Is it intended to include the road above-mentioned in a higher class than No. 5, in consideration of the increased population of the neighbourhood, and extensive traffic upon the road?
5. MR. MACLEAY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has the Government caused inquiry to be made into the number and description of the Public Documents which were removed from the Public Offices during the late Administration?
 - (2.) If so, will the Colonial Secretary state what the papers were,—distinguishing those which were given to Mr. Parkes, after he ceased to be a Member of the Government, from those which Mr. Parkes took away with him on his retirement from office?
 - (3.) Have all the missing documents been returned, and how?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BURNS *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any opinions given by the Crown Law Officers, or any of them, on the Lunacy Act of 1867, or any section thereof.
2. MR. CHURCH *to move*, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Memorials or Petitions, or of any Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons, or of any Reports, Minutes, or other Public Documents having reference to a claim for a reward for the discovery of the Emu Creek Gold Field.

New South Wales.

No. 58.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Sentence of Prisoner John Linden (Administration of Justice):—Mr. Farnel asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Did the Executive Government receive, in February last, a Petition from William Linden, and others, praying for the liberation of John Linden, who was sentenced to fifteen years hard labour on the roads, or other public works of the Colony, and who is now serving that sentence on Cockatoo Island?

(2.) Has the prisoner Linden served twelve years of the said sentence; if so, was he not entitled to be discharged in June last past, under the Act or regulations for the remission of sentences?

(3.) Has the aforementioned Petition been under the consideration of the Executive; if so, has any determination been come to in the matter?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) He has served twelve years of his commuted sentence from death to fifteen years hard labour, but is not entitled to be discharged: the regulations expressly excepting sentences commuted from capital convictions.

(3.) The petition in question has been under consideration several times, and has been refused, for the reason I have stated.

- (2.) Shoalhaven Dredge:—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—

(1.) Where is the Steam Tender to the Shoalhaven Dredge at present stationed?

(2.) How long has she been on her present station?

(3.) How many days has she been actually employed on such station?

(4.) How long is it proposed to keep her there?

(5.) Out of what fund are her expenses paid?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) At Wollongong Harbour.

(2.) Since the 10th December last.

(3.) About eighty days.

(4.) About six weeks longer.

(5.) Out of the amount asked for the contingent expenses of the Dredge "Pluto."

Mr. Cummings withdrew the Question No. 3.

- (3.) Tenders for Railway Sleepers:—Mr. Cummings asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) What was the amount of tender per sleeper for the 4,500 sleepers required for railway purposes, on 2nd March, 1869?

(2.) Who was the successful tenderer?

(3.) Was the lowest tender accepted?

(4.) What course will Government take if the sleepers be not to contract time?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) 3s. 10½d. each.

(2.) J. C. Shadforth.

(3.) Yes.

(4.) The usual steps will be taken.

2. Diseases in Grape Vines Prevention Bill :—Mr. Mate, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this Bill was referred on 12th February, 1869, together with Appendix.
Ordered to be printed.

3. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Mate withdrew the Motion standing in his name, No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.

4. Assent to Bills :—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker :—

- (1.) Consolidated Revenue Fund Bill (No. 2) :—

BELMORE,

Message No. 18.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales towards the Service of the Year 1869*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th March, 1869.

- (2.) United Fire and Life Insurance Company's Incorporation Act Amendment Bill :—

BELMORE,

Message No. 19.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to alter the Title of the United Fire and Life Insurance Company of Sydney to that of 'the United Insurance Company' and in other respects to amend the provisions of the Act to incorporate the said Company*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th March, 1869.

5. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 :—Mr. Burns presented a Petition from certain Property-holders, Tenants, and others, residents of Sydney, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into Law.
Petition received.

6. Burials Regulation Bill :—

- (1.) Mr. Neale presented a Petition from certain Owners and Occupiers of Land in the vicinity of the Balmain Cemetery, Petersham, setting forth that, in the opinion of the Petitioners, the said Cemetery will be of considerable advantage; and praying that, for this, and other reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into Law.
Petition received.

- (2.) Mr. Burns presented a Petition from certain Residents of the Borough of Balmain, setting forth that, in the opinion of the Petitioners, a considerable injury would be inflicted upon the Residents of Balmain, by the passing of the Bill now before the Legislative Assembly; and praying that the same may not be passed into Law.
Petition received.

7. Papers :—The undermentioned Papers were laid upon the Table by Mr. Robertson :—

- (1.) "By-laws of the Municipality of the Borough of Orange," pursuant to the Act 31 Vic. No. 12, Sec. 158.

- (2.) "Twelfth Annual Report of the Municipal Council of Sydney, of their Proceedings under the Water and Sewerage Acts," pursuant to the Act 20 Vic. No. 36, Sec. 75.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 :—Mr. Lyons presented a Petition from certain Property-holders, Tenants, and others, residents of Sydney, praying that, for the reasons therein set forth, this Bill may not be passed into Law.
Petition received.

9. Statistics respecting Justices of the Peace—Metropolitan Police District ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. Hart moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—

- (1.) An Alphabetical List of the names of Justices of the Peace residing usually within the Metropolitan Police District.

- (2.) The date of their several appointments.

- (3.) The number of times each of the said Justices has attended at either of the Police Courts of Sydney or elsewhere, to discharge his official duties, from the 1st of January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868.

- (4.) A List of the names of the Justices of the Peace, residing in the Metropolitan Police District, who have not attended at any Court of Petty Sessions or elsewhere, officially, in the said district, during the above-mentioned period.

- (5.) The total number of Justices of the Peace residing in the Metropolitan Police District.

Question put and passed.

10. Additional Business Day ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice of Government Business, That Monday next be an additional Sitting Day of this House, and that Government Business take precedence of all Other Business on that day.
Question put and passed.
11. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day postponed, respectively, by the Members named:—
(1) No. 1. By Mr. Burns, until Tuesday next.
(2) No. 2. By Mr. Wilson, until Tuesday next.
(3) No. 3. By Mr. Hart, until Friday next.
12. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (as Amended in Select Committee):—Mr. Hart moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. J. Stewart moved, That the Debate on this Question be postponed until Tuesday next.
Debate ensued.
Question put,—That the Debate on this Question be postponed until Tuesday next.
The House divided.

Ayes, 4.		Noes, 32.
Mr. Dodds,		Mr. Forster,
Mr. Lee,		Mr. Eagar,
Tellers.		Mr. Parkes,
Mr. S. Brown,		Mr. Samuel,
Mr. J. Stewart.		Mr. Egan,
		Mr. Lucas,
		Dr. Lang,
		Mr. Neale,
		Mr. R. Stewart,
		Mr. Garrett,
		Mr. Alexander,
		Mr. Smart,
		Mr. Lord,
		Mr. Cunneen,
		Mr. W. Campbell,
		Mr. Bell,
		Mr. Mate,
		Mr. Gordon,
		Mr. Cummings,
		Mr. Dangar,
		Mr. Lackey,
		Mr. Phelps,
		Mr. Lyons,
		Mr. Tighe,
		Mr. Roberts,
		Mr. Byrnes,
		Mr. Driver,
		Mr. Oatley,
		Mr. Sutherland,
		Mr. Josephson,
		Tellers.
		Mr. Hart,
		Mr. Burns.

- Original Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time;—
On motion of Mr. Hart, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill with Amendments, the House, on motion of Mr. Hart, adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Monday next.
13. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day postponed, on motion of the Member named:—
(1.) No. 5. By Mr. Driver, until Friday next.
(2.) No. 6. By Mr. Driver, until Tuesday next.
14. Randwick and Coogee Roads Transfer Bill:—On motion of Mr. Hart, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Amendments.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
On motion of Mr. Hart, the House adopted that Report.
Mr. Hart then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the Old Botany Randwick and Coogee Roads Trusts to transfer certain Roads to the Municipality of Randwick.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th March, 1869.

Speaker.

- Question put and passed.
15. Municipalities Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, for the consideration of the Legislative Council's Amendments.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.
On motion of Mr. S. Brown, the House adopted that Report.
Mr. S. Brown then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

15. Newspaper Postage Act Repeal Bill :—Mr. J. Stewart moved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the propriety of introducing a Bill to Repeal the Newspaper Postage Act of 1864.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 4.

Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Driver,

Tellers.

Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Farnell.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Dangar,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Lucas,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Byrnes,	Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Oatley,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Church,	Mr. Piddington,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Roberts,
Mr. Cunneen,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Nowlan,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Cummings,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Morrice,	Mr. Lyons.
Mr. Mate,	

16. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 :—Mr. Driver moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum of Members present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Fourteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Cummings, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Dr. Lang, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lyons, Mr. Parkes, and Mr. R. Stewart,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at fifteen minutes after Nine o'clock, until *Monday next*, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

MONDAY, 22 MARCH.

Questions :—

- DR. LANG *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
(1.) What are the intentions of Government in regard to the proclamation of Roads through the Water Reserve?
(2.) Have the Corporation of the City of Sydney offered any objections to the carrying of such intentions into effect?
- MR. NEALE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When will the Steam Crane, in course of erection at Newcastle, for the purpose of giving special turns to steamers, be ready for use?
- MR. GARRETT *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—When will the Correspondence, ordered by this House relative to the cancellation of the Conditional Purchase of William Emery, at Good Dog, be laid on the Table?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

- MR. SAMUEL *to move*, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended, as will admit of the passing through all its stages, in one day, of a Bill to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, towards the Service of the Year 1869.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- Supply; resumption of the Committee.
- Compulsory Vaccination Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
- Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
- Small Pox Prevention Bill; second reading.
- Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

- MR. NEALE *to move*, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from sixty-five owners and occupiers of Land at Balmain, against the Closing of the Balmain Cemetery, be printed.

2. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the following Resolutions, viz.,—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation,—which lapsed, on the 16th instant, from the House having been counted out,—be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
3. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Memorial from certain Public and Denominational School Teachers, respecting the continued omission of any allowance for house-rent to Non-vested, Public, and Certified Denominational School Teachers, presented to the Council of Education on or about the 1st March, 1868; and also Copies of all Minutes of the Council in reference to the same subject.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; third reading.

TUESDAY, 23 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. DODDS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is it true that the mileage rate on the Northern Railway for passenger traffic is greater than that charged on the Southern and Western lines; and if so, is it the intention of the Government to readjust the rates and charges for travelling on the Great Northern line, with a view to assimilate the charges on that line with the charges for travelling on the other lines mentioned?
2. MR. TIGHE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have representations been made to the Government to the effect that the sum of £160, granted for a bridge between Plattsburgh and Wallsend, is insufficient to complete the work; and will the additional amount required be provided, to enable the Trustees to make the bridge available for public use?
3. MR. TIGHE to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has any proposal been made to the Wallsend Coal Company, with a view to obtain a piece of ground at Wallsend for the purpose of erecting a Police Station thereon?
4. MR. TIGHE to ask THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Did the Trustees for the Road from Newcastle *via* Wallsend to the junction of the Maitland and Gosford Roads, receive, during last year, the usual annual rate per mile for repairs for the whole length; and if not, will the deficiency be placed at the disposal of the Trustees for further repairs of the said Road?
 - (2.) Is it intended to include the road above-mentioned in a higher class than No. 5, in consideration of the increased population of the neighbourhood, and extensive traffic upon the road?
5. MR. MACLEAY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has the Government caused inquiry to be made into the number and description of the Public Documents which were removed from the Public Offices during the late Administration?
 - (2.) If so, will the Colonial Secretary state what the papers were,—distinguishing those which were given to Mr. Parkes, after he ceased to be a Member of the Government, from those which Mr. Parkes took away with him on his retirement from office?
 - (3.) Have all the missing documents been returned, and how?
6. MR. CUMMINGS to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount of money has been received at the Picton Goods Station during the past three months?
 - (2.) How many men employed at said Station, and what amount of wages has been paid them during the last three months?
 - (3.) Is the Secretary for Public Works aware that said Goods Station is closed at 1 o'clock on Saturdays,—to the great inconvenience of settlers, and others in the Picton district, who travel a long distance to it for goods?
7. MR. LUCAS to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make any provision for the erection of a Court House and Police Barracks at West Maitland; and if so, will the Government apply any portion of the funds voted this year for the purpose?
8. MR. DANGAR to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to establish District Courts at Warialda, Narrabri, and other portions of The Gwydir Electorate?
 - (2.) Have the Government any intention of proclaiming Tamworth a place for holding Assize Courts?

9. MR. DANGAR *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 (1.) At whose suggestion, and by whose direction, was a new line of road surveyed and marked from Tamworth to Narrabri?
 (2.) Are the Government aware that the new road completely destroys a great portion of the towns of Narrabri and Gunnedah, by diverting the traffic, and causing loss and depreciation of property to those parties who purchased land in the said towns from the Government on the faith that the road would exist as originally marked on the plans of these towns?
 (3.) Will any steps be taken to remedy the evil complained of?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any opinions given by the Crown Law Officers, or any of them, on the Lunacy Act of 1867, or any section thereof.
2. MR. CHURCH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Memorials or Petitions, or of any Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons, or of any Reports, Minutes, or other Public Documents having reference to a claim for a reward for the discovery of the Emu Creek Gold Field.
3. MR. MATE to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.
4. MR. BURNS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain owners of landed property in the City of Sydney, against the passing of the Sydney Paving Bill, be printed.
5. MR. BURNS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain Residents of the Borough of Balmain, against the Closing of the Cemetery in that Borough, be printed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, 26 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
 2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

MONDAY, 22 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment ; the Speaker took the Chair.
 Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—
 - (1.) Sydney Water Reserve :—Dr. Lang asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—
 - (1.) What are the intentions of Government in regard to the proclamation of Roads through the Water Reserve ?
 - (2.) Have the Corporation of the City of Sydney offered any objections to the carrying of such intentions into effect ?
 Mr. Forster answered,—
 - (1.) The following roads were proclaimed by *Gazette* notice of the 26th February, 1869 :—Road from Avoca-street, Randwick, to Park Road, near St. Matthias's Church ; parts of Market, Bourke, and Victoria-streets.
 - (2.) An objection has been received from the Municipal Council of Sydney ; but the thirty days, within which objections can be received and no action can be taken by the Government, have not yet expired.
 - (2.) Steam Crane, Newcastle :—Mr. Neale asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—When will the Steam Crane, in course of erection at Newcastle, for the purpose of giving special turns to steamers, be ready for use ?
 Mr. Sutherland answered,—In about a month from this date.
 - (3.) Mr. William Emery, Conditional Purchase of Crown Lands, at Good Dog :—Mr. Garrett asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—When will the Correspondence ordered by this House relative to the cancellation of the Conditional Purchase of William Emery, at Good Dog, be laid on the Table ?
 Mr. Forster answered,—I am given to understand that it is impossible to prepare this Return during the next week.
2. Water Frontage at Blue's Point, North Shore :—Mr. Tunks, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and Report this matter was referred on 2nd March, 1869,—together with Appendix.
 Ordered to be printed.
3. Papers :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table the undermentioned Papers :—
 - (1.) Amended Regulations of the Council of Education, pursuant to the Act 30 Vic. No. 22, Sec. 7.
 - (2.) "By-laws of the Municipality of the Borough of Grafton," pursuant to the Act 31 Vic. No. 12, Sec. 158.
 Ordered to be printed.
4. Motion Withdrawn :—Mr. Samuel withdrew the Motion standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day.
5. Burials Regulation Bill ("Formal" Motion) :—Mr. Neale moved, pursuant to Notice No. 1, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from sixty-five owners and occupiers of Land at Balmain, against the closing of the Balmain Cemetery, be printed.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered to be printed.

6. Supply:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported Progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported from the Committee of Supply certain Resolutions, which (*with the concurrence of the House*) were received and read a first time, as follows:—

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—1869.

No. 1.—SCHEDULES.

(77.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, a sum not exceeding £1,708 6s. 8d., to defray Pensions not provided for by Schedule (B) to Schedule (No. 1) of the Act of the Imperial Parliament 18 and 19 Vic., cap. 54, as follows, that is to say:—£200 to Lady Forbes, Widow of the late Sir Francis Forbes, Chief Justice; £200 to Lady Dowling, Widow of the late Sir James Dowling, Chief Justice; £200 to Lady Mitchell, Widow of the late Sir Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General; £100 to Mrs. Anne Kinchela, Widow of the late Mr. Justice Kinchela; £100 to Mrs. Anne Petrie, Daughter of the late Captain Flinders, R.N.; £133 6s. 8d. to Edward Robert Stack, late Master of the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney; £100 to Mrs. Catherine Lovett, Widow of J. Lovett, late Pilot, Newcastle; £200 to Mrs. Eliza Milford, Widow of the late Mr. Justice Milford; £200 to Mrs. Maria Bate Wise, Widow of the late Mr. Justice Wise; £50 to Mrs. Margaret Edwards, Widow of the late Pilot Edwards; £150 to Mrs. Julia Robinson, Widow of the late Pilot Robinson; and £75 to Mrs. Jane Reader, Widow of the late Pilot Reader.

No. II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(78.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £728, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Executive Council Establishment, for the year 1869.

(79.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,860, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Legislative Council Establishment, for the year 1869.

(80.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,208, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Legislative Assembly Establishment, for the year 1869.

(81.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,267, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Joint Establishment of the Legislative Council and Assembly, for the year 1869.

(82.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,311, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Parliamentary Library Establishment, for the year 1869.

No. III.—COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(83.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,004, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Colonial Secretary's Establishment, for the year 1869.

(84.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,343, to meet the expense of Artillery and Rifle Volunteer Corps, for the year 1869.

(85.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,576, to meet the expense of Naval Brigade, for the year 1869.

(86.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £146,013, to defray the salaries and contingencies for the Police Service, for the year 1869; being £2,300 for salaries for the Department of the Inspector General, General Establishment; £107,724 for salaries of Superintendents, Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors, Sergeants, Constables, and Trackers; £2,689 for salaries of Detectives; £200 for salary of Police Surgeon; and £33,100 for allowances and contingencies.

(87.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,000, to defray Freight and Conveyance of Gold and Escort, &c., for the year 1869.

(88.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £255, to defray the salaries of Gold Receivers, for the year 1869.

(89.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £39,357, to defray the salaries and contingencies of Petty Sessions, for the year 1869.

(90.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £68,026, to defray the salaries and contingencies for Gaols and Penal Establishments, for the year 1869; being £13,011 for Sydney Gaol; £7,852 for Parramatta Gaol; £3,559 for Bathurst Gaol; £5,220 for Maitland Gaol; £3,121 for Goulburn Gaol; £4,126 for Berrima Gaol; £1,375 for Albury Gaol; £1,235 for Braidwood Gaol; £1,135 for Mudgee Gaol; £528 for Grafton Gaol; £1,225 for Wollongong Gaol; £975 for Armidale Gaol; £1,175 for Wagga Wagga Gaol; £1,335 for Yass Gaol; £1,335 for Deniliquin Gaol; £3,219 for Port Macquarie Gaol; £139 for Windsor Gaol; £139 for Eden Gaol; £119 for Gundagai Gaol; £248 for Tamworth Gaol; £129 for Orange Gaol; £139 for Tenterfield Gaol; £119 for Wellington Gaol; £119 for Cooma Gaol; £119 for Queanbeyan Gaol; £2,110 for

for Gaols, Country Districts; £6,918 for Gaols generally; £7,102 for Penal Establishment, Cockatoo Island; and £200 for Visiting Justice at Sydney Gaol and Penal Establishment, Cockatoo Island.

(91.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £27,100, to defray the salaries and contingencies of Lunatic Asylums, for the year 1869; being £13,396 for Lunatic Asylum, Tarban; £12,357 for Lunatic Asylum, Parramatta; and £1,347 for Lunatic Receiving House, Darlinghurst, Board of Visitors, and Chaplains to Asylums.

(92.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £44, to defray the salary of the Clerk to the Medical Board, for the year 1869.

(93.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,175, to defray the charge for Vaccine Institution, for the year 1869.

(94.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,507, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Auditor General's Establishment, for the year 1869.

(95.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,370, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Registrar General's Establishment, for the year 1869.

(96.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,300, to defray the salaries and contingencies for the Colonial Agent, for the year 1869.

(97.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,650, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Observatory Establishment, for the year 1869.

(98.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £500, to defray the salary of Curator, Museum, for the year 1869.

(99.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100,000, for the support of Public Instruction, under Act 30 Vict., No. 22, for the year 1869.

(100.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,375, as Grants in aid of Public Institutions, for the year 1869; being £200 to supplement the present Annual Endowment of £1,000 to the Australian Museum; £200 in aid of the Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts; in aid of Educational Institutions, in the proportion of £1 to every £2 raised by private contributions, viz.:—£100 in aid of the Albury School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Armidale School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Balmain School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Balmain Working Men's Institute; £100 in aid of the Bathurst School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Bellambi and Bulli School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Berrima School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Braidwood Literary Institute; £50 in aid of the Branxton Mechanics' Institute; £50 in aid of the Camden School of Arts; £100 in aid of the East Maitland School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Grafton School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Goulburn School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Gundagai Literary Institute; £50 in aid of the Kiama School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Mudgee School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Morpeth School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Orange Mechanics' Institute; £200 in aid of the Parramatta School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Paterson School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Queanbeyan Literary Institute; £100 in aid of the Raymond Terrace School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Richmond School of Arts; £100 in aid of the St. Leonard's School of Arts; £150 in aid of the Singleton Mechanics' Institute; £50 in aid of the Stroud School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Tamworth Mechanics' Institute; £50 in aid of the Ulladulla School of Arts; £50 in aid of the Wagga Wagga Mechanics' Institute; £25 in aid of the Waratah School of Arts; £100 in aid of the West Maitland School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Windsor School of Arts; £100 in aid of the Wollongong School of Arts; and £100 in aid of the Yass Mechanics' Institute; in aid of the erection of buildings for Educational Institutions, on condition of equal amounts being raised by private contributions, viz.:—£400 in aid of the Grafton School of Arts; £350 in aid of the Hinton School of Arts; £200 in aid of the Singleton Mechanics' Institute; and £200 in aid of the Tamworth Mechanics' Institute.

(101.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,187, to defray the charge for Industrial Schools; being £4,787 for Nautical School-Ship "Vernon," and £2,400 for Industrial School for Girls at Newcastle, for the year 1869.

(102.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £700, to defray the charge for Charitable Institutions, for the year 1869; being £500, for salary of Inspector of Public Charities, and £200 for Travelling Expenses.

(103.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,572, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Protestant Orphan School, for the year 1869.

(104.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,326, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Roman Catholic Orphan School, for the year 1869.

(105.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,650, to defray the charge for Asylums for the Infirm and Destitute, for the year 1869; being £850 for Sydney; £400 for Liverpool; £325 for Parramatta; £300 for Port Macquarie; and £11,775 for Messenger, Wardsmen, Cooks, Nurses, and Contingencies.

(106.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £34,281, to defray Charitable Allowances for the Year 1869; being £4,500 for the support of Paupers in the Colonial Hospitals; £482 for Salaries of Lady Superintendent and five Nursing Sisters; £4,000 in aid of the Sydney Infirmary and Dispensary, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; £4,208 for the support of Women and Children in the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney; £500 in aid of the funds of the Benevolent Society, Sydney, on condition of an equal amount being raised by voluntary contributions; £4,000 in aid of the Asylum for Destitute Children at Randwick, on condition of £2,000 being raised by private contributions; £4,000 for the support of Infants removed from the Benevolent Asylum, Sydney, to the Asylum for Destitute Children at Randwick; £450 in aid of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; £200 in aid of the Temperance Alliance, in consideration of aid given to destitute persons, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; in aid of the undermentioned Charitable Institutions, on condition of sums of an equal amount being raised by private contributions, viz.:—£400 in aid of the Hospital and Benevolent Society, Albury; £100 in aid of the Bega Hospital and Benevolent Society; £200 in aid of the Benevolent Asylum and Hospital, Narrabri; £350 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Parramatta; £500 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Singleton and Patrick's Plains; £150 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Tamworth; £200 in aid of the Hospital and Benevolent Society, Penrith; £200 in aid of the Benevolent Society, Gundagai; in aid of the undermentioned Hospitals, on condition of sums to an equal amount being raised by private contributions, viz.:—£150 in aid of the Hospital, Adelong; £300 in aid of the Hospital, Arncliffe and New England, on same condition; £700 in aid of the Hospital, Bathurst, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Braidwood, on same condition; £275 in aid of the Hospital, Bourke, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Carcoar, on same condition; £600 in aid of the Hospital, Deniliquin, on same condition; £250 in aid of the Hospital, Dubbo, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Forbes, on same condition; £300 in aid of the Hospital, Goulburn, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Grafton, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Grenfell, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Gundagai, on same condition; £500 in aid of the Hospital, Hay, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Kiandra, on same condition; £600 in aid of the Hospital, Maitland, on same condition; £500 in aid of the Hospital, Menindee, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Mudgee, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Murrurundi, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Muswellbrook, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Newcastle, on same condition; £250 in aid of the Hospital, Orange, on same condition; £300 in aid of the Hospital, Parramatta, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Port Macquarie, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Port Stephens, on same condition; £100 in aid of the Hospital, Queanbeyan, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Sofala, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Tenterfield, on same condition; £300 in aid of the Hospital, Wagga Wagga, on same condition; £100 in aid of the Hospital, Wellington, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Windsor, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Wollongong, on same condition; £200 in aid of the Hospital, Yass, on same condition; and £416 in aid of the Hospital, Young, on same condition; £300 towards the completion of the Albury Hospital and Benevolent Society; £50 in aid of the erection of Additions to the Braidwood Hospital; and £250 in aid of the erection of an Hospital at Araluen, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions.

(107.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £15,085, to defray Miscellaneous Services for the year 1869; being £10,000 for Municipal Council, Sydney, in aid of the City Funds; £1,250 for defraying Expenses of the Returning Officers of the several Electoral Districts; £600 for expense of copying and printing the Electoral Lists, 1868-9; £30 for Newspapers and Almanacs; £300 for Burials of destitute persons, in cases where inquests are not held; £200 for maintenance of deserted children, paupers taken charge of for protection, expenses of transmission, &c. £130, Fees for examining Lunatics; £1,000 for Rewards for apprehension of Offenders; £375 for Allowance in lieu of House-rent to the Commodore commanding the Naval Squadron on this Station, for nine months; £100 towards meeting the expense of publishing the Journal of the Agricultural Society; £1,000 towards meeting the expense of the Metropolitan Intercolonial Exhibition to be held in March, 1869, by the Agricultural Society of New South Wales, on condition of an equal amount being raised by private contributions; and £100 to meet the expense of printing the Museum Catalogue.

NO. IV.—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

(108.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,576, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Law Officers of the Crown, for the year 1869.

(109.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £12,933, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishments of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, for the year 1869.

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(110.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,990, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Sheriff, for the year 1869.

(111.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,469, to defray the salaries of the Establishment of the Insolvent Court, for the year 1869.

(112.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £11,021, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the District Courts Establishments, for the year 1869; being £3,656 for the Metropolitan and Coast District; £1,250 for the Southern District; £1,010 for the South-western District; £990 for the Western District; £1,015 for the Northern District; and £3,100 for Contingencies.

(113.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,104, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Quarter Sessions Establishment, for the year 1869.

(114.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,425, to defray the salaries and contingencies connected with Coroners' Inquests, for the year 1869.

(115.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100, to defray the expenses of the Court of Claims, for the year 1869.

NO. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(116.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,156, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Treasury Establishment, for the year 1869.

(117.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,545, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Stamp Duties Department, for the year 1869.

(118.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £29,701, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Customs Establishments, for the year 1869.

(119.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,895, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Colonial Distilleries and Refineries Establishment, for the year 1869.

(120.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £21,655, to defray the salaries, wages, and contingencies of the Printing, Book-binding, Stamps, and Railway Tickets Department, for the year 1869.

(121.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £51,350, to defray the salaries and contingencies, and cost of Stores and Stationery for Colonial Storekeeper's Establishment, for the year 1869.

(122.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,408, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gunpowder Magazines, for the year 1869.

(123.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £830, to defray the salaries of Health and Emigration Officers, for the year 1869.

(124.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £900, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Quarantine Establishment, for the year 1869.

(125.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,470, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishments of the Shipping Masters, for the year 1869.

(126.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £880, to defray the salaries and contingencies for Glebe Island Abattoir Establishment, for the year 1869.

(127.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £24,455, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Harbours, Lighthouses, and Pilot Department, for the year 1869; being £650 for Superintendent of Pilots, Light Houses, and Harbours; £1,056 for Steam Navigation and Pilot Boards; £1,775 for Harbour Masters; £2,711 for Colonial Light Houses; £7,374 for Sea and River Pilots; £6,698 for Boatmen; £642 for Telegraph Stations; £2,350 for Australian Coast Light Houses; and £1,199 for Contingencies.

(128.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £400, to defray Gratuities to Coxswains and Crews of Lifeboats, Sydney and Newcastle, for the year 1869.

(129.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £31,480, to defray Miscellaneous Services for the year 1869; being £6,500 for Postage of the various Public Departments; £4,000 Advertising for the Public Service generally; £7,000 for the transmission of Telegraphic Messages; £1,500, Duty-stamps for the Public Service generally; £3,000, one half per cent. Commission on payments in England by the Government Financial Agents, on (say) £600,000; £3,000, Exchange on Remittances within and beyond the Colony; £200 to provide for a Queen's Plate to be run for annually on Randwick Racecourse, under the auspices of the Australian Jockey Club (Resolution of Assembly); £1,500 to meet the expense of carrying on the Coast Surveys; £1,750, Allowance for Postage and Stationery to Clerks of Petty Sessions, Land Agents, and Registrars of District Courts; £30 for Provisions to be left on Booby Island, for the relief of shipwrecked persons; and £3,000 to meet Unforeseen Expenses, to be hereafter accounted for.

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NO. VI.—SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

- (130.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £11,957, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Lands, for the year 1869.
- (131.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £67,341, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment for the Survey of Lands, for the year 1869.
- (132.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,300, for Rent of additional Offices for Land Departments, and Commission to Land Agents, Appraisers, and others, for the year 1869.
- (133.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,682, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment for the Occupation of Lands, for the year 1869.
- (134.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,539, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Gold Fields Establishments, for the year 1869.
- (135.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,595, to defray charges for Prevention of Scab in Sheep, for the year 1869.
- (136.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £333, to defray charges for Inspection of Cattle, for the year 1869.
- (137.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,360, to defray the expense of Coal Fields Establishment, for the year 1869.
- (138.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,021, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Botanic Gardens Establishment, for the year 1869.
- (139.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,420, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Government Domains and Hyde Park, for the year 1869.
- (140.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £57,400, to defray the expense of the construction and maintenance of Minor Roads, for the year 1869; being £41,000 for the construction and maintenance of Subordinate Roads, as classified per Schedule; £8,000 for Minor Bridges and Roads not classified; £500 for Alignment Posts for Towns; £4,000 to meet expense of fencing Public Roads where proclaimed through enclosed lands; £1,000 for formation of Streets through Crown Lands in City of Sydney; £1,000 for the purpose of opening the Road from the Macleay River to the Bellinger River, and for the construction of Punt, Boat, and Bridge, in connexion with that line; and £1,900 for the formation of Streets and Lanes laid out in the subdivision of the lands at the head of Woolloomooloo Bay.
- (141.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £656, to defray salaries, and for clearing Roads and repairing Fences at Necropolis, Haslem's Creek, for the year 1869.
- (142.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £500, to defray cost of Medicines and Medical Attendance for the Aborigines, for the year 1869.
- (143.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,475, to defray Miscellaneous Services for the year 1869; being £200 for the erection of Public Pounds; £50 for preservation of the Caves at Fish River; £25 for preservation of Wombeian Caves; £1,000 for fencing Public Cemeteries; £100 for Parramatta Park; and £100 for compensation to John Burnley for cancellation of his Conditional Purchase at Lake Macquarie.

NO. VII.—SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

- (144.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,180, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1869.
- (145.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,250, for the Railway Branch of the Department of Public Works, "General Establishment," for the year 1869.
- (146.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,324, to defray the charge Railway Branch, "Works in Progress," for the year 1869.
- (147.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £154,025, to defray the charge Railway Branch, "Existing Lines—Working Expenses," for the year 1869.
- (148.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £18,338, for Harbours and River Navigation, for the year 1869; being £2,770 for Engineer's Department; £3,820 for Steam Dredge "Hunter"; £2,174 for Steam Dredge "Hercules"; £2,134 for Steam Dredge "Pluto"; £3,770 for Steam Dredge "Vulcan," Newcastle; £3,770 for Steam Dredge "Samson"; and £400 for Repairs to Steam Cranes, Newcastle.
- (149.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,940, to defray the expense of Public Works of the Department of Harbours and River Navigation, for the year 1869; being £750 for Preliminary Harbour Surveys; £1,200 for landing Silt from Dredge and forming Ground; £1,600 for repairs to Glebe Island Road; £1,500, Incidental Expenses to Wharfs, Bridges, and

and other Public Works; £240 for Wharf at Hinton; £350 for Approaches to Punt at Fort Bourke; £350 for Wharf at Fredrickton, Macleay River; £500 for Jetty at Jerringong; and £450 for reconstructing Queen's Wharf, Morpeth.

(150.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,915, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Establishment of the Colonial Architect, for the year 1869.

(151.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £66,950, to defray the expense of Public Works and Buildings for the year 1869; being £9,000 for ordinary Repairs, Alterations, and Additions to Public Buildings generally; 3,000 for providing Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices generally; £1,500 for Repairs to Military Barracks and Buildings; £250 for lighting Lamps, sweeping Chimneys, &c., Victoria Barracks; £700 for lighting Government Lamps in Streets of Sydney and Domain; £300 for Furniture and repair of same for Government House; £3,500, to provide Building and other Materials for completion or Repair of Gaols and other Public Buildings, by the labour of Prisoners in Gaol; £2,000 for Additions, Sydney Gaol; £3,000 for Police Buildings; £10,000 for Gaols, Court Houses, and Lock-ups; £600 for supply of Coffins for Paupers; £2,000 for Furniture for, and Repair of, Telegraph Stations; £2,000 for Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, Protestant Orphan School, Parramatta; £3,000 for Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, &c., Lunatic Asylum, Tarban; £2,000 for Additions to the New Gaol at Maitland; £5,000 for Additions and Alterations, Benevolent Asylum, Liverpool; £250 for Repairs to Workshops and Officers' Quarters, Cockatoo Island; £5,000 for Additions and Improvements, Lunatic Asylum, Parramatta; £5,000 for Permanent Light-houses and Keepers' Quarters, at Barrenjuey; £250 for Engine-driver and Fuel, Lunatic Asylum, Tarban Creek; £2,500 for Increased Accommodation, Government Printing Office; £500 for Pilots' Residences at Newcastle; £600 for Residence for Telegraph Station Master at South Head; £1,000 for erection of Shed for Colonial Military Stores; and £1,000 for Improvements and Additions, Powder Magazine, Goat Island.

(152.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £120,127, to defray the expenses for Roads and Bridges for the year 1869; being £2,560 for salaries and contingencies of the General Establishment; £5,700 for Superintendence; £14,714 for construction and maintenance of Main Northern Road; £17,460 for Main Southern Road; £14,200 for Main Western Road; and £65,493 for other Roads and Bridges, viz. :—£1,750 for Clyde Road; £5,000 for Road, Clarence River to Great Northern Road; £4,000 for Mudgee Road; £34,643 for Minor Roads, as per Schedule; £3,000 for Contingent Works on Minor Roads not in Schedule, on Punts and Approaches, and on Approaches to Railway Stations, &c.; £3,000 for repair of and painting Bridges; £300 for constructing and repairing Toll-bars; £1,500 towards construction of Dray-road, Araluen to Moruya; £800 for Streets at Hay; £900 for Streets at Wentworth; £300 for Bridge, Angel's Creek, Illawarra; £600 for Bridge, Minamurra Creek; £400 for Bridge, Broughton's Creek, Kiama; £500 for Iron Foot Bridge, Fish River, O'Connell's Plains; £550 for Bridge, Evans Plains, Carcoar Road; £300 for Bridge, Swallow Creek, Ophir Road; £1,800 for Bridge, Ellenborough River (Port Macquarie); £1,000 for Bridge, Muswellbrook; £1,700 for Bridge, Bradbo River; £300 for Foot Bridge over the Peel, at Bowling Alley Point; £700 for Bridge over the Mulwarree Ponds, at Garoorigang; £800 for Two Bridges over Forest Creek, on Road from Wagga Wagga to Deniliquin; £400 for Bridge, Yanga Yanga Creek (Wentworth); £500 for Bridge, Menindee Creek (Darling); £250 for Bridge near Wentworth, Adelaide Road; and £500 Estimated amount of Tolls to be collected at Grafton Punt, to be expended in maintenance and repair of same and Approaches.

(153.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,360, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Fitz Roy Dock Establishment, for the year 1869.

(154.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £70, to defray the charge for Miscellaneous Services, for the year 1869—for attending to the lighting and extinguishing of the Gas, &c., in the Parliamentary Buildings.

TO BE RAISED BY LOAN.

(155.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £70,000 for Railways; being £60,000 towards cost of additional Rolling Stock for Railway Extensions, and £10,000 for compensation for Land taken at Honeysuckle Point.

(156.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £81,000, to defray the expenses of Public Works of the Department of Harbours and River Navigation; being £15,000 for removing obstructions and improving the Navigation of the Rivers Murray, Murrumbidgee, and Darling; £5,000 for Breakwater, Newcastle; £10,000 for Dredge for Manning, Macleay, and Clarence Rivers; £35,000 for erection of Steam Cranes, Wharf, &c., Darling Harbour; £10,000 towards reclamation of Land at Blackwattle Bay; £3,000 for erection of Lighthouse Tower at Ulladulla; and £3,000 for erection of Lighthouse Tower at Wollongong.

(157.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £7,000, for Public Works and Buildings, being for erection of Public Offices, Newcastle.

(158.)

(158.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £15,500, for Roads and Bridges; being £11,500 for Bridge over the Urara, on Road from Grafton to Glen Innes; and £4,000 for Iron Bridge over the Macquarie River, at Bathurst, further sum.

(159.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1869, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £11,125, for the construction, &c., of Electric Telegraphs; being £1,750 from Eden to Gabo Island Light House—(Resolution of Assembly); £2,000 from Maitland to Manning River; £2,400 from Bathurst to Carcoar and Cowra; £200 from Pambula and Merimbula; £350 from Port Stephens to Nelson's Bay; £350 from Newcastle to Waratah Company's Works; £1,575 for extension to Walcha; and £2,500 from Grafton to Clarence River Heads.

No. VIII.—THE POSTMASTER GENERAL.

(160.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £113,927, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Post Office Department; being £36,847 for the Post Office Establishment, and £77,120 for Conveyance of Mails, for the year 1869.

(161.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,737, to defray the salaries and contingencies of the Money Order Department, for the year 1869.

(162.) Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty, a sum not exceeding £33,962, to defray the salaries, allowances, contingencies, and working expenses, of the Establishment of the Electric Telegraphs, for the year 1869.

Resolutions then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice, read a second time, and agreed to.

7. Postponements:—The Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 3, and 4 postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, to follow consecutively after No. 5.

8. Ways and Means:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour this day.

The Chairman also reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, certain Resolutions which (*with the concurrence of the House*) were received and read a first time, as follows:—

(4.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Supplementary Service of the year 1868 and previous years, the sum of £201,070 7s. 3d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

(5.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year 1869, the sum of £1,488,555 6s. 8d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales.

(6.) Resolved, That, to enable the Government to pay off certain Treasury Bills, issued under the Treasury Bills Act of 1868, which fall due in the month of April next, it is expedient to authorize any number of Treasury Bills to be made out at the Colonial Treasury for any sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of £343,200.

(7.) Resolved, That all principal sums to be contained in any such Treasury Bills shall be chargeable upon, and paid out of, the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Colony; and that such Bills shall be made payable on the expiration of twelve calendar months from the date thereof.

(8.) Resolved, That all such Treasury Bills shall bear interest, payable half-yearly, at a rate not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, in respect of the whole moneys contained therein; and that such interest shall be chargeable upon, and paid out of, the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony and the growing produce thereof.

(9.) Resolved, That all sums of money raised by such Treasury Bills shall be carried to, and form part of the Consolidated Revenue of the Colony.

Resolutions then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, made (*with the concurrence of the House*), without Notice, read a second time, and agreed to.

9. Treasury Bills Bill:—Mr. Samuel having brought up this Bill, (founded upon Resolutions of Ways and Means, Nos. 6, 7, 8, and 9), Bill, intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bills*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time at a later hour this day.

10. Appropriation Bill:—Mr. Samuel having brought up this Bill (founded upon Resolutions of Ways and Means, Nos. 4 and 5), Bill, intituled "*A Bill to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the Year 1869 and for the Year 1868 and previous Years*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and, that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

11. Treasury Bills Bill:—Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Bill.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Amendment.

Ordered, That the adoption of that Report stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

12. Ways and Means :—The Order of the Day for the Resumption of the Committee of Ways and Means (*see Entry 8 above*) having been read,—on motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman reported Progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Chairman also reported from the Committee of Ways and Means certain Resolutions which (*with the concurrence of the House*) were received and read a first time, as follows :—

(10.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £13,260 be raised by the sale of Debentures, secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per centum per annum, to defray the expense of carrying on certain Public Works of the Colony.

(11.) Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £184,625 be raised by the sale of Debentures, secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per centum per annum, to defray the expense of carrying on certain Public Works of the Colony.

Resolutions then, on motion of Mr. Samuel, made (*with the concurrence of the House*) without Notice, read a second time, and agreed to.

13. Public Works Loan Bill :—Mr. Samuel having brought up this Bill, (founded upon Resolutions of Ways and Means, Nos. 10 and 11) Bill, intituled "*A Bill to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works,*" read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time at a later hour this day.

14. Postponement :—The Order of the Day (No. 2.) for the further consideration in Committee of the Compulsory Vaccination Bill further postponed, on motion of Mr. Robertson, until after the other Orders of the Day of Government business have been disposed of.

15. Public Works Loan Bill :—Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.

The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill as so reported stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

16. Diseases in Sheep Act Amendment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Forster, the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill was discharged from the Paper.

Bill then, on motion of Mr. Forster, withdrawn.

17. Small Pox Prevention Bill :—Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Tunks,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Josephson,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Egan,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Lucas,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Oatley,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Bell.
Mr. Driver,	
Mr. Neale,	

Noes, 8.

Mr. Parkes,
Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Mate,
Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Burns,

Tellers.

Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Piddington.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Bill.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

18. Compulsory Vaccination Bill :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill having been read, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Seventeen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Alexander, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Driver, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at thirteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 23 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. DODDS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Is it true that the mileage rate on the Northern Railway for passenger traffic is greater than that charged on the Southern and Western lines; and if so, is it the intention of the Government to readjust the rates and charges for travelling on the Great Northern line, with a view to assimilate the charges on that line with the charges for travelling on the other lines mentioned?
2. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have representations been made to the Government to the effect that the sum of £160, granted for a bridge between Plattsburgh and Wallsend, is insufficient to complete the work; and will the additional amount required be provided, to enable the Trustees to make the bridge available for public use?
3. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Has any proposal been made to the Wallsend Coal Company, with a view to obtain a piece of ground at Wallsend for the purpose of erecting a Police Station thereon?
4. MR. TIGHE *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) Did the Trustees for the Road from Newcastle *viâ* Wallsend to the junction of the Maitland and Gosford Roads, receive, during last year, the usual annual rate per mile for repairs for the whole length; and if not, will the deficiency be placed at the disposal of the Trustees for further repairs of the said Road?
 - (2.) Is it intended to include the road above-mentioned in a higher class than No. 5, in consideration of the increased population of the neighbourhood, and extensive traffic upon the road?
5. MR. MACLEAY *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has the Government caused inquiry to be made into the number and description of the Public Documents which were removed from the Public Offices during the late Administration?
 - (2.) If so, will the Colonial Secretary state what the papers were,—distinguishing those which were given to Mr. Parkes, after he ceased to be a Member of the Government, from those which Mr. Parkes took away with him on his retirement from office?
 - (3.) Have all the missing documents been returned, and how?
6. MR. CUMMINGS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What amount of money has been received at the Picton Goods Station during the past three months?
 - (2.) How many men employed at said Station, and what amount of wages has been paid them during the last three months?
 - (3.) Is the Secretary for Public Works aware that said Goods Station is closed at 1 o'clock on Saturdays,—to the great inconvenience of settlers, and others in the Picton district, who travel a long distance to it for goods?
7. MR. LUCAS *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make any provision for the erection of a Court House and Police Barracks at West Maitland; and if so, will the Government apply any portion of the funds voted this year for the purpose?
8. MR. DANGAR *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to establish District Courts at Warialda, Narrabri, and other portions of The Gwydir Electorate?
 - (2.) Have the Government any intention of proclaiming Tamworth a place for holding Assize Courts?
9. MR. DANGAR *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—
 - (1.) At whose suggestion, and by whose direction, was a new line of road surveyed and marked from Tamworth to Narrabri?
 - (2.) Are the Government aware that the new road completely destroys a great portion of the towns of Narrabri and Gunnedah, by diverting the traffic, and causing loss and depreciation of property to those parties who purchased land in the said towns from the Government on the faith that the road would exist as originally marked on the plans of these towns?
 - (3.) Will any steps be taken to remedy the evil complained of?
10. MR. S. BROWN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Was the Lease, or promise of Lease, of the runs called "Georgy" and "Georgy East," in the Warrego district, cancelled?
11. MR. S. BROWN *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—By whose authority has sixty acres, or thereabouts, of the Parramatta Domain been enclosed for the purposes of a Raccourse?
12. MR. PHELPS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When do the Government purpose calling for Tenders for the Construction of the Wells between Booligal and Wilcannia, in the Albert and Darling districts,—the money for which has been voted several Sessions past?

OTHER

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any opinions given by the Crown Law Officers, or any of them, on the Lunacy Act of 1867, or any section thereof.
2. MR. CHURCH to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, Copies of any Memorials or Petitions, or of any Correspondence between the Government and any person or persons, or of any Reports, Minutes, or other Public Documents having reference to a claim for a reward for the discovery of the Emu Creek Gold Field.
3. MR. MATE to move, That the Report of the Select Committee, appointed to inquire into the claims of the Rev. Denis M'Guinn, be now adopted.
4. MR. BURNS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain owners of landed property in the City of Sydney, against the passing of the Sydney Paving Bill, be printed.
5. MR. BURNS to move, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain Residents of the Borough of Balmain, against the Closing of the Cemetery in that Borough, be printed.
6. MR. S. BROWN to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House,—
 - (1.) Copies of all Correspondence between T. G. Dangar and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands; and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands and the Commissioner of the Warrego District, and all other persons, relative to the Bunnawannah Runs, and the acceptance of the Tenders for Georgy and Georgy East, and Copies of the original Tenders for Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (2.) Copies of the Maps furnished the Commissioner of the Warrego for his guidance by the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, having reference to the Bunnawannah Runs, and Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (3.) Copies of the Reports, submitted by the Commissioner of the Warrego to the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, upon the alleged encroachment of Georgy and Georgy East, upon the Bunnawannah Runs.
 - (4.) Copy of the final decision of the Land Board, and the report upon which it was made.
 - (5.) Copies of all Tenders accepted for land between the junction of the Culgoa and Bree, and the Bree and Darling.
 - (6.) Copies of accepted Tenders for the Mohanna, Bunnawannah, West Bunnawannah, Upper Turee, Birree, Kunrebrece, East Kunreboree, Gueranara, Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (7.) Also, Copies of all Correspondence and Minutes between the Minister for Lands and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, relative to the licensing of Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (8.) Also, Copies of all Correspondence between the Minister for Lands and T. G. Dangar, on the subject of the leasing of Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (9.) Copy of Tender for block A, at the junction of the Bree with the Culgoa.
 - (10.) Copies of T. G. Dangar's Tender for Bree, Culgoa, and Upper Bree.
7. MR. LUCAS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Mineral Lands situate in the Hunter River Districts, examined and reported upon by the Government Examiner of Coal Fields, from the 1st January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868,—together with all Minutes, Reports, Correspondence, and other documents connected therewith.
8. DR. LANG to move, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the following Resolutions, viz.,—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation,—which lapsed, on the 16th instant, from the House having been counted out,—be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
9. MR. BURNS to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Memorial from certain Public and Denominational School Teachers, respecting the continued omission of any allowance for house-rent to Non-vested, Public, and Certified Denominational School Teachers, presented to the Council of Education on or about the 1st March, 1868; and also Copies of all Minutes of the Council in reference to the same subject.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Burials Regulation Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on motion of Mr. Farnell, That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill; third reading.

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SAMUEL to move, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of the undermentioned Bills being passed through all their remaining stages in one day:—
The Appropriation Bill of 1869.
The Treasury Bills Bill of 1869.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Appropriation Bill ; second reading.
2. Treasury Bills Bill Reported ; Adoption of Report.
3. Ways and Means ; resumption of the Committee.
4. Public Works Loan Bill ; third reading.
5. Small Pox Prevention Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.

 WEDNESDAY, 24 MARCH.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.

 THURSDAY, 25 MARCH.
Question:—

1. MR. J. STEWART to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he can inform the House at, or about what date Government will probably re-assemble Parliament for the dispatch of business, after the next Prorogation ?

 FRIDAY, 26 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.
 2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
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New South Wales.

No. 60.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 23 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Railway Fares :—Mr. Dodds asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Is it true that the mileage rate on the Northern Railway for passenger traffic is greater than that charged on the Southern and Western lines; and if so, is it the intention of the Government to readjust the rates and charges for travelling on the Great Northern line, with a view to assimilate the charges on that line with the charges for travelling on the other lines mentioned? Mr. Sutherland answered,—Yes, to the first portion of the question; and the matter is now under consideration, with a view to the adjustment of the rates.
- (2.) Bridge between Plattsburgh and Wallsend :—Mr. Tighe asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Have representations been made to the Government to the effect that the sum of £160, granted for a bridge between Plattsburgh and Wallsend, is insufficient to complete the work; and will the additional amount required be provided, to enable the Trustees to make the bridge available for public use? Mr. Forster answered,—The sum of £91 is recommended to be granted for the completion of the bridge and repair of the road.
- (3.) Wallsend Police Station :—Mr. Tighe asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—Has any proposal been made to the Wallsend Coal Company, with a view to obtain a piece of ground at Wallsend for the purpose of erecting a Police Station thereon? Mr. Robertson answered,—Yes.
- (4.) Road from Newcastle *via* Wallsend to the Maitland and Gosford Roads :—Mr. Tighe asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—
- (1.) Did the Trustees for the Road from Newcastle *via* Wallsend to the junction of the Maitland and Gosford Roads, receive, during last year, the usual annual rate per mile for repairs for the whole length; and if not, will the deficiency be placed at the disposal of the Trustees for further repairs of the said Road?
- (2.) Is it intended to include the road above-mentioned in a higher class than No. 5, in consideration of the increased population of the neighbourhood, and extensive traffic upon the road? Mr. Forster answered,—
- (1.) The full amount voted has, as usual, been issued to Trustees for expenditure. As, however, it is not understood that the line is 13 miles longer than the distance stated in schedule, a further allowance will be specially appropriated.
- (2.) It is proposed to raise the portion of the line between Newcastle and Wallsend from 5th to 4th class next year; and to make provision for the remainder of the road as a 5th class road.
- Mr. Macleay withdrew the Question No. 5.
- (5.) Railway Goods Station at Picton :—Mr. Cummings asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 6,—
- (1.) What amount of money has been received at the Picton Goods Station during the past three months?
- (2.) How many men employed at said Station, and what amount of wages has been paid them during the last three months?

(3.)

(3.) Is the Secretary for Public Works aware that said Goods Station is closed at 1 o'clock on Saturdays,—to the great inconvenience of settlers, and others in the Picton district, who travel a long distance to it for goods?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—

(1.) £384 1s. 7d., received from Picton Station from 1st January to 21st March, 1869.

(2.) Seven. Amount paid and payable, from 1st January to 21st March, 1869, for wages, £150 0s. 11d.

(3.) No. The goods store is closed at the usual hour of 2 o'clock, on Saturdays.

(6.) Court House, West Maitland:—Mr. Lucas asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 7,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to make any provision for the erection of a Court House and Police Barracks at West Maitland; and if so, will the Government apply any portion of the funds voted this year for the purpose?

Mr. Robertson answered,—I think I answered this question once before, this Session. I take it, the honorable member refers to the purchase of land for building a Court-house and Police Barracks at West Maitland; and as I fully understand the object, I will answer it more fully. The Government has no intention of buying any land whatever, or of going into this matter in any way, whatever, behind the back of the parties.

(7.) District Courts for The Gwydir District:—Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Dangar, asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 8,—

(1.) Do the Government purpose taking any steps to establish District Courts at Warialda, Narrabri, and other portions of The Gwydir Electorate?

(2.) Have the Government any intention of proclaiming Tamworth a place for holding Assize Courts?

Mr. Robertson answered,—If ever we have the luck to get into a recess of Parliament, it is the intention of the Government to go carefully into the matter of all these Courts, and, it may be, to reduce them in some cases, and to increase them in others; but the Government will be prepared, if ever they meet Parliament again, with a proposition for dealing with this question—of a kind that, while I hope it will provide for greater efficiency, will provide also for greater economy.

(8.) Road from Tamworth to Narrabri:—Mr. Burns, on behalf of Mr. Dangar, asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 9,—

(1.) At whose suggestion, and by whose direction, was a new line of road surveyed and marked from Tamworth to Narrabri?

(2.) Are the Government aware that the new road completely destroys a great portion of the towns of Narrabri and Gunnedah, by diverting the traffic, and causing loss and depreciation of property to those parties who purchased land in the said towns from the Government on the faith that the road would exist as originally marked on the plans of these towns?

(3.) Will any steps be taken to remedy the evil complained of?

Mr. Forster answered,—

(1.) In August, 1866, an application was made by C. E. Smith, Police Magistrate, on behalf of conditional purchasers for a road along the right bank of the Namoi.

(2.) The directions were given, as usual, by the Surveyor General.

(3.) The new road from Tamworth to Gunnedah has been proclaimed, confirmed, and opened—no objections having been received against it. Objections against the road from Gunnedah to Narrabri are under reference to the District Surveyor, and his attention will be directed to the entrance of the road into the towns referred to; but the Government are not aware of the injuries to these towns alleged by the honorable gentleman.

(9.) Runs "Georgy" and "Georgy East," Warrego District:—Mr. S. Brown asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 10,—Was the Lease, or promise of Lease, of the runs called "Georgy" and "Georgy East," in the Warrego district, cancelled?

Mr. Forster answered,—The lease of the run called "Georgy East" was, with the concurrence of the holders, cancelled: it having been ascertained, by measurement, that the land was included in other runs of the same parties. The lease of "Georgy" has not been cancelled.

(10.) Parramatta Domain:—Mr. S. Brown asked the Secretary for Lands, pursuant to Notice No. 11,—By whose authority has sixty acres, or thereabouts, of the Parramatta Domain been enclosed for the purposes of a Racecourse?

Mr. Forster answered,—I am not aware. The proceeding in question is unauthorized, so far as the Government are concerned.

Mr. Phelps withdrew the Question No. 12.

2. Removal of Mr. Samuel Charles from the Commission of the Peace:—Mr. Garrett, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table, the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this matter was referred on 27th January, 1869,—together with Appendix.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Sydney Paving Bill of 1869 ("Formal" Motion):—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain owners of landed property in the City of Sydney, against the passing of the Sydney Paving Bill, be printed.

Question put and passed.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Burials Regulation Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 5, That the Petition presented by him on the 19th March, from certain residents of the Borough of Balmain, against the closing of the Cemetery in that Borough, be printed.
Question put and passed.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Mineral Lands in the Hunter River District (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Lucas moved, pursuant to Notice No. 7, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Mineral Lands situate in the Hunter River Districts, examined and reported upon by the Government Examiner of Coal Fields, from the 1st January, 1867, to the 31st December, 1868,—together with all Minutes, Reports, Correspondence, and other documents connected therewith.
Question put and passed.
6. Public, and Denominational School Teachers (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Burns moved, pursuant to Notice No. 9, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Copy of the Memorial from certain Public and Denominational School Teachers, respecting the continued omission of any allowance for house-rent to Non-vested, Public, and Certified Denominational School Teachers, presented to the Council of Education on or about the 1st March, 1868; and also Copies of all Minutes of the Council in reference to the same subject.
Question put and passed.
7. Standing Orders—Suspension of (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Samuel moved, pursuant to Notice of Government Business, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as will admit of the undermentioned Bills being passed through all their remaining stages in one day:—
The Appropriation Bill of 1869.
The Treasury Bills Bill of 1869.
Question put and passed.
8. Public Works Loan Bill (*"Formal" Order of the Day*), on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Samuel moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Samuel moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1869.

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Egan,	Mr. Graham,
Mr. Roberts,	Mr. Mate,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Cummings,	
Mr. Lackey,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. J. Campbell,	Mr. Hurley.

Noes, 13.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. W. Campbell,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Neale,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Samuel,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Stewart,	
Mr. Parkes,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Lucas,	Mr. Piddington.
Mr. Alexander,	

13. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Workhouse Act Repeal Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the Workhouse Act of 1866,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 23 March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

(2.)

(2.) Impounding Act Amendment Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Impounding Act of 1865*," with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule,—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 23 March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

IMPOUNDING ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Impounding Act of 1865," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 23rd March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Preamble, line 2. *Omit "any"*Clause 1, line 8. *Omit "any"*

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Farnell, That the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's Amendments in this Bill stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

14. Tenders for Runs in the Warrego District:—Mr. S. Brown moved, pursuant to Notice No. 6, That there be laid on the Table of this House,—
- (1.) Copies of all Correspondence between T. G. Dangar and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands; and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands and the Commissioner of the Warrego District, and all other persons, relative to the Bunnawannah Runs, and the acceptance of the Tenders for Georgy and Georgy East, and Copies of the original Tenders for Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (2.) Copies of the Maps furnished the Commissioner of the Warrego for his guidance by the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, having reference to the Bunnawannah Runs, and Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (3.) Copies of the Reports, submitted by the Commissioner of the Warrego to the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, upon the alleged encroachment of Georgy and Georgy East, upon the Bunnawannah Runs.
 - (4.) Copy of the final decision of the Land Board, and the report upon which it was made.
 - (5.) Copies of all Tenders accepted for land between the junction of the Culgoa and Bree, and the Bree and Darling.
 - (6.) Copies of accepted Tenders for the Mohanna, Bunnawannah, West Bunnawannah, Upper Turco, Birree, Kunrebere, East Kunrebere, Gueranara, Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (7.) Also, Copies of all Correspondence and Minutes between the Minister for Lands and the Chief Commissioner of Crown Lands, relative to the licensing of Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (8.) Also, Copies of all Correspondence between the Minister for Lands and T. G. Dangar, on the subject of the leasing of Georgy and Georgy East.
 - (9.) Copy of Tender for block A, at the junction of the Bree with the Culgoa.
 - (10.) Copies of T. G. Dangar's Tender for Bree, Culgoa, and Upper Bree.
- Question put and passed.
15. Australian Subscription, and Free Libraries:—Dr. Lang moved Notice, No. 8, as amended with the concurrence of the House, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the following Resolutions, viz.,—
- (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation,—which lapsed, on the 16th instant, from the House having been counted out,—be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
- Debate ensued.
Mr. Lucas moved the Previous Question.
Debate continued.
Previous Question put,—That that Question be now put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Farnell,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Josephson,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. S. Brown,	Mr. Church,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Forster,
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. Morrice,
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Hurley,
Mr. Neale,	
Mr. R. Stewart,	Tellers.
Mr. Gordon,	Mr. Roberts,
Mr. Macleay,	Mr. Burns.

Nocs, 8.

Mr. Parkes,
Mr. J. Campbell,
Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Lackey,
Mr. Wilson,
Tellers.
Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Lucas.

Original Question put and passed.

16. Postponements :—The Orders of the Day Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, of Other Business postponed, on motion of Mr. Samuel, till after No. 2 of Government Business.
17. Appropriation Bill—(*Order No. 1 Government Business*) :—Mr. Samuel moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed:
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill.
The Chairman having reported the Bill without Amendment, the House adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
18. Treasury Bills Bill :—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the House adopted the Report on this Bill from Committee of the Whole, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
19. Appropriation Bill, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Samuel moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the Year 1869 and for the Year 1868 and previous Years.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Samuel moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the Year 1869 and for the Year 1868 and previous Years,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1869. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
20. Treasury Bills Bill, on motion of Mr. Samuel, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Samuel moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bills.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Samuel moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bills,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1869. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
21. Burials Regulation Bill (Order of the Day No. 1 Other Business) :—Mr. Farnell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Bill.
The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Friday next.
22. Sale of Liquors Licensing Act Amendment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Wilson, the Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill was discharged from the Paper.
Bill then withdrawn, on motion of Mr. Wilson.
23. Postponement :—The Order of the Day No. 3 of Other Business postponed, on motion of Mr. Garrett, until to-morrow.
24. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill (Order No. 4 of Other Business) :—Mr. Hart moved, That this Bill be "now" read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. S. Brown moved, as an Amendment, That all the words after the word "now" be omitted, with a view to insert the following words—"recommitted for the re-consideration of Clause 4."

Debate

Debate continued.

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

Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—put and passed.

Question then,—That this Bill be now recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 4,—put and passed.

Whereupon the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee for the reconsideration of clause 4.

The Chairman having reported the Bill with an Amendment, the House adopted that Report, and ordered that the third reading of the Bill, as so reported 2^o, stand an Order of the day for a later hour this day.

25. Ways and Means (Order No. 3 of Government Business) :—On motion of Mr. Samuel, the Order of the Day was discharged from the Paper.

26. Sydney Boundaries Amendment Bill, on motion of Mr. Hart, read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hart moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney.*"

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Hart moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Boundaries of the City of Sydney,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from, and Minutes of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee thereon.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

27. Small Pox Prevention Bill (Order No. 5 of Government Business) :—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee having been read,—the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into Committee for such further consideration.

The Chairman having reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee, the Speaker counted the House, and there being a Quorum of Members present, the Committee resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with Amendments ;—

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, That the adoption of that Report stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

28. Impounding Act Amendment Bill :—On motion of Mr. Farnell, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

The Chairman having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Legislative Council's Amendments in the Bill, the House adopted that Report.

Mr. Farnell then moved, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Impounding Act of 1865.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1869.*

Speaker.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at eight minutes after Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY, 24 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. MACLEAY to ask THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—
 - (1.) Has the Government caused inquiry to be made into the number and description of the Public Documents which were removed from the Public Offices during the late Administration?
 - (2.) If so, will the Colonial Secretary state what the papers were,—distinguishing those which were given to Mr. Parkes, after he ceased to be a Member of the Government, from those which Mr. Parkes took away with him on his retirement from office?
 - (3.) Have all the missing documents been returned, and how?

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2. MR. PHILIPS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—When do the Government purpose calling for Tenders for the Construction of the Wells between Booligal and Wilcannia, in the Albert and Darling districts,—the money for which has been voted several Sessions past?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ROBERTSON to move, That the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the "Compulsory Vaccination Bill," which lapsed by the House having been counted out on Monday last, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Supply ; resumption of the Committee.
2. Small Pox Prevention Bill Reported ; adoption of Report.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. J. STEWART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all Crown Lands held by lessees or tenants in the first and second class settled and unsettled districts, specifying in columns,—
 - (1.) The names of the Tenants, in alphabetical order.
 - (2.) Name of the Run.
 - (3.) Estimated area.
 - (4.) Annual rental and assessment.
 - (5.) Date of the commencement of present tenure.
 - (6.) Term of present tenure.
 - (7.) Appraised rental and summary at end.
2. MR. LORD to move, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of the Commissioner's Report of his inquiry into the charges preferred against Mr. William Farrand, late Police Magistrate at Forbes, together with the report upon other charges made against him ; also, the Commissioner's notes of the evidence taken, and all the documents and correspondence relating to the case.
3. MR. HART to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return shewing :—
 - (1.) The respective denominations of the Members of the Council of Education, and the attendance of each Member during the past year.
 - (2.) The religious denomination, together with the salary, of each Member of the staff, in connection with the Council of Education Office.
 - (3.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Inspectors.
 - (4.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
 - (5.) The religious persuasions and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
 - (6.) The religious persuasions and salaries of the Teachers in the Public Schools of the Colony.
 - (7.) The same of Denominational Teachers.
 - (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
 - (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
 - (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
 - (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
4. MR. SUTHERLAND to move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Friendly Societies.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Australian Subscription and Free Libraries ; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
2. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.

THURSDAY, 25 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he can inform the House at, or about what date Government will probably re-assemble Parliament for the dispatch of business, after the next Prorogation?
2. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have the Government taken any, and if any, what steps towards providing a new Court-house at Gunnedah, and when it is probable tenders for the erection of the building will be invited?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. MR. GARRETT *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee on the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles, from the Commission of the Peace, be adopted.
2. MR. LUCAS *to move*,—the inhabitants of Rydal having petitioned this House, stating that they were induced to purchase from the Government land in the township of Rydal, at a very high price—viz., £105 per acre—upon which they have made valuable improvements, upon the faith and understanding that there should be reserved for their use, as a permanent water supply, that portion of Solitary Creek which runs through the town, and which is shown as a reserve upon the plan exhibited by the land agent on the day of sale, and in accordance with which plan they purchased their allotments; which reserve they have enjoyed up to a very late period, when the Government took it up for railway purposes. The petitioners expected that it was taken for railway purposes only, and that when the wants of the railway were supplied, the remainder would revert to its former uses. They now find that the Minister for Works has let the most important part of the Water Reserve to a private firm, viz., Messrs. Asher and Co., carrying on the business of wine, spirit, and general storekeepers, who have erected stores and out-offices on the banks of the creek, thereby destroying the water, and otherwise materially affecting the petitioners interest. Having taken into consideration the allegations of the people of Rydal, as well as the answer of the Honorable the Minister for Works, viz.,—that the water-closet, from the nature of the ground, unless proper precautions are taken, is likely to injure the water in the creek, and that the said land was leased to Asher and Co. at the rent of £1 per month, subject to quit on receiving twelve months notice, at any time,—This House is of opinion that the Commissioner of Railways should forthwith give Messrs. Asher and Co. the necessary notice to quit; and that, when the requirements of the railway are supplied, the remainder of the land taken should be permanently reserved for the inhabitants of Rydal, and that this Resolution should be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

FRIDAY, 26 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
 2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 3. Burials Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, 24 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day :—

- (1.) Attempted Assassination of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh :—Mr. Macleay asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—

(1.) Has the Government caused inquiry to be made into the number and description of the Public Documents which were removed from the Public Offices during the late Administration?

(2.) If so, will the Colonial Secretary state what the papers were,—distinguishing those which were given to Mr. Parkes, after he ceased to be a Member of the Government, from those which Mr. Parkes took away with him on his retirement from office?

(3.) Have all the missing documents been returned, and how?

Mr. Robertson answered,—

(1.) Yes.

(2.) I cannot distinguish the papers withdrawn subsequently to Mr. Parkes having left the Government from those taken before, because the only record of papers having got into his possession after he left the Government is of a packet of papers said to have been taken by Mr. Byrnes, late Minister for Works, and handed to Mr. Parkes; but the following papers have been received from Mr. Parkes since his retirement from office :—

SCHEDULE A.

No.	Nature of Document.	Date.	Original or Copy.	When returned by Mr. Parkes.	How returned.	Remarks.
1.	Permission from William Forster, Esq., Colonial Secretary, to Mr. J. T. Smith, Mayor of Melbourne, to see prisoner Gardiner in goal.	No date.	Original.	29 Jan., 1869.	Handed to the Under Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Department, on personal application.	
2.	Permission to Mrs. Fitzsimmons.	22 Mar., 1864.	Do.			(Sd.) M. F., H. H., Ch. T., jr.
3.	Permission to Rev. Dr. Lang.	23 Mar., 1864.	Do.			
4.	Permission to Dr. Moffitt.	27 April, 1864.	Do.			
5.	Permission to Mr. David Bell, M.P., and friends.	30 Mar., 1864.	Do.			
6.	Permission to Mr. Cuneen, M.P., with friends.	4 April, 1864.	Do.			
7.	Permission to Mr. Bell, M.P., with friends.	12 April, 1864.	Do.			
8.	Permission to Mr. Cummings, M.P., and friends.	11 April, 1864.	Do.			
9.	Permission to Mrs. Brown.	7 May, 1864.	Do.			
10.	Permission from William Forster, Esq., Colonial Secretary, to Miss Louisa Bain, to see prisoner Henry Cust.	24 Oct., 1864.	Do.			

No.	Nature of Document.	Date.	Original or Copy.	When returned by Mr. Parkes.	How returned.	Remarks.
11.	Permission from William Forster, Esq., Colonial Secretary, to Mr. Edward White and any friend to see prisoner Wilson in Gaol.	9 June, 1864.	Original.	29 Jan., 1869.	As above.	
12.	The original written statement made by the prisoner Meyers, <i>alias</i> Miller, <i>alias</i> Smith, <i>alias</i> Hallam, <i>alias</i> Hallman.	20 April, 1868.	Do.	8 Jan., 1869.	Laid before the Select Committee by Mr. Parkes, and now in custody of the Clerk of the Assembly.	This letter is unsigned, but is clearly Meyers's. It has been compared with another letter signed by him. [See concluding portion of Mr. Parkes's answer, No. 1,201.]
13.	Mr. A. Keith Collins to the Colonial Secretary, drawing attention to the fact that a report was in circulation in the Kiama District that the Duke of Edinburgh would be assassinated.	12 Mar., 1868.	Do.	7 Jan., 1869.	Do.	
14.	Telegram from T. M. Grenfell to Colonial Secretary, stating that Prince Alfred was hung in effigy on the Tyagong Gold Field.	29 April, 1868.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
15.	Telegram from E. Webb, Bathurst, to Minister for Works, respecting refusal of certain persons to sign Address to the Queen, with Minute of Mr. Parkes.	18 Mar., 1868.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
16.	Declaration of R. H. Reynolds as to certain language made use of by Mr. F. Fitzpatrick, of the Survey Department.	No date.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
17.	Memorandum of Principal Gaoler to the Hon. Henry Parkes, of statement made by O'Farrell to Warder Chapman, respecting his past life, and reasons for shooting Prince Alfred.	14 Mar., 1868.	Do.	Do.		
18.	Anonymous letter respecting Fenian organization in New South Wales, Victoria, and America.	20 April, 1868.	Do.			This letter is identical with the unsigned letter of Meyers. [See above, No. 12.]
19.	Memorandum of Principal Gaoler to Hon. Colonial Secretary, as to the identification of O'Farrell, by Mr. W. Withington, the person from whom O'Farrell and a man unknown was said to have agreed to rent a house at the Glebe.	24 Mar., 1868.	Do.	8 Jan., 1869.		
20.	Further Memorandum of Principal Gaoler to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary on the same subject.	26 Mar., 1868.	Do.	Do.		
21.	Statement made by Miss Janet Muston, respecting her observations of O'Farrell and another person, at Clontarf, on the day of the attempted assassination.	15 Mar., 1868.	Do.	Do.	As above.	
22.	Anonymous letter threatening the lives of His Excellency the Earl of Belmore and the Ministers.	No date.	Do.		Do.	

No.	Nature of Document.	Date	Original or Copy.	When returned by Mr. Parkes.	How returned.	Remarks.
23.	Anonymous letter threatening the Hon. James Martin and the Hon. Henry Parkes.	21 Mar.	Original.		As above.	
24.	Anonymous letter warning Henry Parkes, Colonial Secretary, to be on his guard.	19 Mar.	Do.		Do.	
25.	Anonymous letter, signed "A Member of the St. Joseph and St. Mary Society," warning the Hon. Henry Parkes, Esq., to beware.	No date.	Do.		Do.	
26.	Mr. D. W. L. Murray to the Colonial Secretary, referring to his past career in Tasmania as entitling to favorable consideration for employment.	Do.	Do.		Do.	
27.	Mr. D. W. L. Murray to the Colonial Secretary, referring to his father's connection with the late Duke of Kent, and urging his claim for employment.	Do.	Do.		Do.	
27a.	From the same, with reference to the position of himself and family.	Do.	Do.	8 Jan., 1869.	Do.	
28.	Anonymous letter to the Colonial Secretary, signed "for my country," respecting Fenian sympathizers at Bathurst and elsewhere.	15 Mar., 1868.	Do.		Do.	
29.	Letter from the Right Rev. Dr. Sheil, Roman Catholic Bishop, to H. J. O'Farrell.	31 July, 1867.	Do.	19 Dec., 1868.	Returned by Mr. Parkes to the Inspector General of Police, and now lodged in the Colonial Secretary's Office.	
30.	P. W. Welsh, Ballarat, to H. J. O'Farrell, Emerald Hill.	30 Aug., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
31.	W. Boyd, Ballarat, to H. J. O'Farrell.	6 Sep., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
32.	Bank of Australasia, Ballarat, to H. J. O'Farrell, Ballarat.	16 Sep., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
33.	Messrs. G. Walker and Co., Ballarat, to H. J. O'Farrell.	16 Sep., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
34.	Bank of Australasia, Ballarat, to Messrs. Norrie and Sim, Ballarat.	16 Sep., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
	Annex by Messrs. Norrie and Sim to H. J. O'Farrell.	17 Sep., 1867.				
35.	Messrs. McDowall and Gray, Ballarat, to H. J. O'Farrell.	17 Sept., 1867.	Do.	19 Dec., 1868.	As above.	
36.	Wm. Harrison to H. J. O'Farrell.	18 Sept., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	
37.	Leaves of private diary in handwriting of H. J. O'Farrell.	No date	Do.	Do.	Do.	
38.	Newspaper sent to O'Farrell,—L'Univers of.	24 Dec., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Returned by Mr. Parkes, as above—and now in the custody of the Clerk of the Assembly.	Laid on the Table of the Assembly by Mr. Robertson on 6th Jan., 1869.
39.	Do. Do.	24 Jan., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
40.	L'Univers, French Newspaper.	23 Mar., 1868.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
41.	Impartial Du Finisterre, French Newspaper.	21 Dec., 1867.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
42.	Do. Do.	18 Jan., 1868.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.

Besides these, the following are Papers that can be traced to Mr. Parkes, with more or less certainty, and which have not been returned ;—

SCHEDULE B.

No.	Nature of Document.	Date.	Reasons for believing the Documents to be with Mr. Parkes.	Remarks.
1.	Original notes of a conversation between the late Colonial Secretary and the prisoner H. J. O'Farrell, in Darlinghurst Gaol, reported by Mr. Samuel Cook.	18 Mar., 1868.	Original retained by Mr. Parkes, [See his answers to questions Nos. 1061 to 1067, before the Select Committee.]	Copy laid before the Assembly on 15th December, 1868.
2.	Notes of conversation between the Principal Warden of Darlinghurst Gaol and H. J. O'Farrell, reported by Mr. S. Cook.	20 Mar., 1868.	Do. do.	Do. do.
3.	Notes of conversation between Mr. Parkes and H. J. O'Farrell.	24 Mar., 1868.	Do. do.	Do. do.
4.	Declaration made by Mr. S. Cook before H. H. Voss.	18 Sept., 1868.	Do. do. [See Mr. Parkes's answer to question No. 1068.]	Do. do. (There appear to have been two declarations taken by Mr. Cook, one dated 17th & one 18th September.)
5.	Declaration by Mr. Henry Wager, Chief Detective, before H. H. Voss.	18 Sept., 1868.	Do. do. [See Mr. Parkes's answer to questions 1064 and 1065.]	Do. do. (There were two declarations of Mr. Wager, dated as above.)
6.	Declaration by Sergeant Baikie, before H. H. Voss.	18 Sept., 1868.	Do. do.	Do. do. (Two declarations, as above.)
7.	O'Farrell's dying declaration forwarded to the late Colonial Secretary.	21 April, 1868.	This document was opened by Mr. Parkes on the 22nd April, and cannot be further traced.	Copy laid before the Assembly, 27th April, 1868.
8.	O'Farrell's so-called Diary (the book out of which the leaves were torn).		Last seen in his custody by Chief Detective Wager, shortly before Mr. Parkes's retirement from office.	
9.	Statement of one Maher of probable attempt to assassinate the Governor and Mr. Martin.	Not stated.	This paper was forwarded by the Inspector-General of Police to the Department of the Colonial Secretary, on 7th July, 1868. It is not now in the Colonial Secretary's Office, and cannot be traced elsewhere.	
10.	Mr. Grievies' statement respecting attempted assassination, forwarded from Commissioner of Police, Invercargill, New Zealand.	Not stated.	Do. do.	
11. 16.	(Six orders for persons not named, to visit Darlinghurst Gaol.	Not known	It will be seen from the Sheriff's letter of the 15th February, and his note dated 16th Feb., that in all, seventeen (17) orders of admission were withdrawn from the Gaol by Mr. Parkes, of which only eleven (those signed by Mr. Forster) have been returned.	

(2) Construction of Wells in the Albert and Darling Districts :—Mr. Phelps asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2, —When do the Government purpose calling for Tenders for the Construction of the Wells between Booligal and Wilcannia, in the Albert and Darling districts,—the money for which has been voted several Sessions past?

Mr. Forster answered,—It is not yet decided whether the work can, with advantage, be done by tender, or not, the delay being chiefly caused by the uncertainty in the present dry season of getting fresh water in the wells. It is proposed, as soon as surface water can be relied on, to make trial borings; after which, the work will be proceeded with as expeditiously as possible.

2. Land Titles Department—Mr. W. Wright :—Mr. J. Stewart, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this subject was referred on the 23rd February, 1869,—together with Appendix.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Law relating to Lunacy :—Mr. Burns, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this subject was referred on the 4th March, 1869,—together with Appendix.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Mr. Thomas Scott—Sugar Cultivation :—Dr. Lang, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee, for whose consideration and report this subject was referred on the 9th February, 1869.

Ordered to be printed.

5. Intrusion of Strangers in the Passages to the House—Control of Messengers—Proposed New Parliamentary Refreshment Room :—Mr. Robertson, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up the following Report from the Standing Orders Committee :—

THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE of the Legislative Assembly have the honor to report to your Honorable House that, having had under consideration the Questions of the "*Intrusion of Strangers in the Passages to the House*," the "*Control of the Messengers of this House*," and the proposal to provide "*a New Parliamentary Refreshment Room*," they have arrived at the following Resolutions in reference thereto, viz. :—

- (1.) "That new entrances be made into the Ante-chamber of the Legislative Assembly and into the Parliamentary Library, and that the present entrances from the Hall be locked."
- (2.) "That the Messengers of the Legislative Assembly should be under the direction and control of the Speaker, who should also have the power to appoint and dismiss them."

Your Committee have the honor further to report to your Honorable House, that your Committee, on Thursday, 4th March, 1869, met in conference the Standing Orders Committee of the Legislative Council, and considered, conjointly with the latter, certain proposals with reference to the erection of a New Parliamentary Refreshment Room.

The Conference having had before them two plans (submitted by the Colonial Architect), and having examined the sites therein shown for the proposed new building, the Members representing your Committee returned to Mr. Speaker's Room.

Your Committee then agreed to the following Resolution :—

"That the Committee having had under consideration the plan, No. 2, submitted by the Colonial Architect for the proposed New Refreshment Room, recommend the said plan for adoption—20 feet in length being added; and that this Resolution be submitted to the Standing Orders Committee of the Legislative Council."

And the foregoing Resolution having been communicated to the Standing Orders Committee of the Legislative Council, that Committee has agreed to the following Resolution in reply thereto, viz. :—

"That although this Committee is of opinion that it would be more desirable to proceed to, and with, the erection of New Parliamentary Buildings, nevertheless, they now give their concurrence in the arrangement proposed in the Resolution of the Standing Orders Committee of the Legislative Assembly so communicated as aforesaid."

Speaker's Room,
24th March, 1869.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Chairman.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, to be printed, and that the consideration of the same, in Committee of the Whole, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

6. Paper :—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, "Fourth Progress Report from the Commission for the Supply of Water to the City of Sydney."

Ordered to be printed.

7. Motion for Adjournment :—Dr. Lang moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

8. Assent to Bills :—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Robertson, and read by the Speaker :—

- (1.) Summary Convictions and Orders Amendment Bill :—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 20.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Act 11 and 12 Victoria cap. 43*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

- (2.) Police Regulation Extension Bill :—

BELMORE,
Governor.

Message No. 21.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of and jurisdiction conferred by the Act 19 Vict. No. 24 at places other than Towns*," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

9. Mr. W. Farrand, Police Magistrate, Forbes (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Lord moved, pursuant to Notice No. 2, That there be laid on the Table of this House, Copies of the Commissioner's Report of his inquiry into the charges preferred against Mr. William Farrand, late Police Magistrate at Forbes, together with the report upon other charges made against him; also, the Commissioner's notes of the evidence taken, and all the documents and correspondence relating to the case.

Question put and passed.

10. Friendly Societies Bill (*"Formal" Motion*):—Mr. Sutherland moved, pursuant to Notice No. 4, That leave be given to introduce a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Friendly Societies.

Question put and passed.

Mr. Sutherland having presented this Bill, Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Laws relating to Friendly Societies*,"—read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and that the second reading stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

11. Compulsory Vaccination Bill:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice (Government Business), That the Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the "*Compulsory Vaccination Bill*," which lapsed by the House having been counted out on Monday last, be restored to the Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for Thursday next.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. R. Stewart,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Lord,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Neale,	Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Burns,	Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Bell,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Dodds,	
Mr. Mate,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Dr. Lang,	Mr. Hart,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Church.
Mr. Hurley,	

Noes, 2.

Tellers.

Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Wilson.

12. Supply:—On motion of Mr. Samuel, this Order of the Day was discharged from the Paper.
13. Small Pox Prevention Bill:—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the House adopted the Report of this Bill from Committee of the Whole, and ordered that the third reading, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
14. Crown Lands (held under Pastoral Occupation):—Mr. J. Stewart moved Notice No. 1, *as amended* with the concurrence of the House, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a continuation to the end of the year 1868, of a Return headed "*Crown Lands (held under Pastoral Occupation)*," laid upon the Table of this House, and ordered to be printed on April 4th, 1866.
- Question put and passed.
15. Council, and Teachers under Public Schools Act:—Mr. Hart moved Notice No. 3, *as amended* with the concurrence of the House, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing:—
- (1.) The attendance of each Member of the Council of Education, during the past year.
 - (2.) The "*religious denomination*," together with the salary, of each Member of the staff, in connection with the Council of Education Office.
 - (3.) The "*religious persuasions*" and salaries of the Inspectors.
 - (4.) The "*religious persuasions*" and salaries of the Teachers in connection with the Fort-street Training School.
 - (5.) The "*religious persuasions*" and salaries of Teachers in the other Model Schools under the Council of Education.
 - (6.) The "*religious persuasions*" and salaries of the Teachers in the Public Schools of the Colony.
 - (7.) The same of Denominational Teachers.
 - (8.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of the Public Schools throughout the Colony, and the localities where such expenditure took place.
 - (9.) The amounts expended on buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., of Certified Denominational Schools, and the localities where expenditure took place.
 - (10.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Public Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
 - (11.) What has been the average number in attendance at each of the Certified Denominational Schools for the last six months, and the actual cost to the country per head,—taking cost of tuition, buildings, furniture, &c., &c., into account.
- Debate ensued.
- Mr. Forster moved, as an amendment, That the words "*religious denomination*," in the second paragraph, be omitted, with a view to insert the word "*Names*."
- Mr. J. Stewart moved, That this Debate be adjourned till this day fortnight.
- Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 10.

Mr. Parkes,
Mr. Eagar,
Mr. Lucas,
Dr. Lang,
Mr. Dodds,
Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Burns,
Tellers.
Mr. Hill,
Mr. J. Stewart.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Robertson, Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Forster, Mr. Neale,
Mr. Josephson, Mr. Samuel,
Mr. Egan, *Tellers.*
Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Hart,
Mr. R. Stewart, Mr. Church.
Mr. Cunneen,
Mr. Garrett,
Mr. Morrice,
Mr. Phelps,
Mr. Bell,
Mr. Hurley,

Main Question stated.
Debate continued.

Notice being taken that there was not a Quorum present, the Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Burns, Mr. Church, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Egan, Mr. Forster, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hurley, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Morrice, Mr. Neale, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. R. Stewart, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at five minutes after Nine o'clock, until To-morrow, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 25 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Whether he can inform the House at, or about what date Government will probably re-assemble Parliament for the dispatch of business, after the next Prorogation?
2. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—Have the Government taken any, and if any, what steps towards providing a new Court-house at Gunnedah, and when it is probable tenders for the erection of the building will be invited?
3. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
(1.) Whether it is the intention of Government to erect a New Refreshment Room, without the authority of Parliament?
(2.) If so, what is the estimated cost of the building?
(3.) Out of what vote or fund is the cost to be paid?
4. MR. R. STEWART *to ask* THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,—
(1.) What amount had been received by the Curator of Intestate Estates in the Intestate Estate of John Tebbutt, previous to August 4th, 1864?
(2.) What payments have been made up to the same date?

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT :—

1. MR. ROBERTSON *to move*, That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until Seven o'clock P.M. on Saturday, the 27th instant, and that Government Business have precedence of all Other Business on that day.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Report from the Standing Orders Committee.
2. Compulsory Vaccination Bill; to be further considered in Committee.
3. Small Pox Prevention Bill; third reading.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. GARRETT *to move*, That the Report of the Select Committee on the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles, from the Commission of the Peace, be adopted.
2. MR. LUCAS *to move*,—the inhabitants of Rydal having petitioned this House, stating that they were induced to purchase from the Government land in the township of Rydal, at a very high price—viz., £105 per acre—upon which they have made valuable improvements, upon the faith and understanding that there should be reserved for their use, as a permanent water supply, that portion of Solitary Creek which runs through the town, and which is shown as a reserve upon the plan exhibited by the land agent on the day of sale, and in accordance with which plan they purchased their allotments; which reserve they have enjoyed up to a very late period,

period, when the Government took it up for railway purposes. The petitioners expected that it was taken for railway purposes only, and that when the wants of the railway were supplied, the remainder would revert to its former uses. They now find that the Minister for Works has let the most important part of the Water Reserve to a private firm, viz., Messrs. Asher and Co., carrying on the business of wine, spirit, and general storekeepers, who have erected stores and out-offices on the banks of the creek, thereby destroying the water, and otherwise materially affecting the petitioners interest. Having taken into consideration the allegations of the people of Rydal, as well as the answer of the Honorable the Minister for Works, viz.,—that the water-closet, from the nature of the ground, unless proper precautions are taken, is likely to injure the water in the creek, and that the said land was leased to Asher and Co. at the rent of £1 per month, subject to quit on receiving twelve months notice, at any time,—This House is of opinion that the Commissioner of Railways should forthwith give Messrs. Asher and Co. the necessary notice to quit; and that, when the requirements of the railway are supplied, the remainder of the land taken should be permanently reserved for the inhabitants of Rydal, and that this Resolution should be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Australian Subscription, and Free Libraries; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the following Resolutions, viz.:—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
2. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.

FRIDAY, 26 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
2. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
3. Burials Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 30 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. Friendly Societies Bill; second reading.
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New South Wales.

No. 62.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, 25 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.

Questions on Notice Paper for to-day:—

- (1.) Re-assembling of Parliament:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Colonial Secretary, pursuant to Notice No. 1,—Whether he can inform the House at or about what date Government will probably re-assemble Parliament for the dispatch of business, after the next Prorogation?

Mr. Robertson answered,—It is impossible for me to say at what date the Government will be prepared to call Parliament together, because we have no knowledge of what time we shall be able to prorogue Parliament,—and surely we must first know when we can prorogue before we can be asked when we shall call Parliament together. If the honorable member will give us some idea of how long he will keep us with the Small Pox Bill, we may be able to say when we can prorogue. All I can say is, that the Government will, as they have done from first to last since they have been in office, give every attention to the public business. They will work with all the zeal and ability they possess, and will call Parliament together as speedily as possible, having regard to the work to be performed before they can again meet.

- (2.) Court House, Gunnedah:—Mr. Farnell, on behalf of Mr. Burns, asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 2,—Have the Government taken any, and if any, what steps towards providing a new Court-house at Gunnedah, and when it is probable tenders for the erection of the building will be invited?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—A memorial from the inhabitants of the district was received in January last, representing that the building now used as a Court House at Gunnedah is liable to inundation. The Bench were requested to select another site; but, on reference to the Survey Office, it was ascertained that the site recommended had been sold. On the 22nd instant, the Bench of Magistrates were so informed, and requested to name another site. When a proper site has been determined, tenders will be invited for the erection of the building.

- (3.) New Parliamentary Refreshment Room:—Mr. J. Stewart asked the Secretary for Public Works, pursuant to Notice No. 3,—

(1.) Whether it is the intention of Government to erect a New Refreshment Room, without the authority of Parliament?

(2.) If so, what is the estimated cost of the building?

(3.) Out of what vote or fund is the cost to be paid?

Mr. Sutherland answered,—This matter will be brought under the consideration of this House by the first Order of the Day—"Consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Report from the Standing Orders Committee." That is all we know of it.

- (4.) Estate of John Tebbutt:—Mr. R. Stewart asked the Solicitor General, pursuant to Notice No. 4,—

(1.) What amount had been received by the Curator of Intestate Estates in the Intestate Estate of John Tebbutt, previous to August 4th, 1864?

(2.) What payments have been made up to the same date?

Mr.

Mr. Josephson answered,—Of course, this question has reference to the jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Court in this Colony; and therefore I am bound to say there is no such Intestate Estate in this Colony, and the Curator of Intestate Estates has received no money, and no payments have been made on account of this Intestate Estate. But, for the guidance of the honorable gentleman, I may state that, on the 11th August, 1858, £654 Os. 9d. was forwarded to England to the Solicitor of the Treasury; in June, 1859, £76 Os. 2d.; and in February, 1863, £300 5s. 11d., with the current accounts relating to these items.

2. Messages:—The Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Treasury Bills Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bills,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

(2.) Public Works Loan Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable the Government to raise a Loan for certain Public Works,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

(3.) Appropriation Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the Year 1869 and for the Year 1868 and previous Years,*" returns the same to the Legislative Assembly, without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

(4.) Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to all parts of the Colony,*" with the Amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, including Amendments in the Title—in which Amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th March, 1869.

T. A. MURRAY,
President.

SMALL DEBTS RECOVERY ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

SCHEDULE of Amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and apply the provisions of the Small Debts Act 10 Vic. No. 10 to all parts of the Colony," returned to the Legislative Assembly, with Message of 24th March, 1869.

R. O'CONNOR,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Title. *Omit "apply" insert "extend."*

" *Omit "to all parts of the Colony"*

Preamble, lines 4 and 5. *Omit "jurisdiction" insert "operation"*

Clause 1, lines 16 and 17. *Omit "and independently of the payment by him of any such costs or of the giving of any such security" insert "for that purpose set aside any judgment given in the absence of the defendant and"*

Clause 1, line 18. *Omit "in any cause"*

Clause 2. *Omit clause 2.*

Clause 3, line 24. After "*Colony*" *add "except the Police District of Sydney."*

Clause 4. *Omit clause 4.*

Clause 5. *Omit clause 5.*

Examined,—

GEORGE ALLEN,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Byrnes, That the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's Amendments in this Bill, stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

3. Paper:—Mr. Josephson laid upon the Table, Return (in part) to an Address, in reference to "*Equity Suit—the Attorney General v. Elliott (Administration of Justice)*,"—adopted by the Legislative Assembly, on motion of Mr. R. Stewart, on 23rd February, 1869.

4. Training Ship "Vernon":—Mr. Farnell, as Acting Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table, the Minutes of Proceedings of, and of Evidence taken before, the Select Committee for whose consideration and report this subject was referred on 12 January, 1869, together with Appendix.
Ordered to be printed.
5. Paper:—Mr. Robertson laid upon the Table, "Regulations for the Reformatory School for Girls, at Newcastle," pursuant to Act 30 Vict. No. 4, sec. 3.
Ordered to be printed.
6. Motion for Adjournment:—Mr. Cummings moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and negatived.
7. Motion Withdrawn:—Mr. Garrett withdrew the Motion standing in his name No. 1 on the Notice Paper for to-day.
8. Special Adjournment:—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice (*Government Business*), That this House, at its rising, do adjourn until Seven o'clock P.M. on Saturday, the 27th instant, and that Government Business have precedence of all Other Business on that day.
Debate ensued.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Robertson,	Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Forster,	Mr. Macleay,
Mr. Samuel,	Mr. Bell,
Mr. Sutherland,	Mr. Cummings,
Mr. Egan,	Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Lee,	Mr. Josephson,
Mr. Dodds,	Mr. Neale,
Dr. Lang,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mate,	
Mr. Garrett,	Mr. S. Brown,
Mr. Phelps,	Mr. Burdekin.

Noes, 5.

Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Tighe,
Mr. Lucas,
<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Stewart,
Mr. Farnell.

9. Postponements:—The undermentioned Orders of the Day postponed, respectively, on motion of the Member named:—
(1.) No. 1. By Mr. Robertson, till after the remaining Orders of Government Business.
(2.) No. 2. By Mr. Robertson, till after No. 3.
10. Small Pox Prevention Bill (*Order No. 3 Government Business*), on motion of Mr. Robertson, read a third time, and *passed*.
Mr. Robertson moved, That the Title of this Bill be "*An Act for the Prevention of Small Pox.*"
Question put and passed.
Whereupon Mr. Robertson moved, That this Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
MR. PRESIDENT,
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act for the Prevention of Small Pox,*" presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th March, 1869. Speaker.
- Question put and passed.
11. Compulsory Vaccination Bill (*Order No. 2 Government Business*):—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of this Bill having been read,—the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the said Committee.
The Chairman reported the Bill with Amendments;—
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, That the adoption of that Report stand an Order of the Day for Saturday next.
12. Standing Orders Committee (*Order No. 1 Government Business*):—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Report from the Standing Orders Committee.
The Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to a Resolution.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, that the reception of the Report stand an Order of the Day for Saturday next.
13. Motion Postponed:—Mr. Lucas postponed the Motion No. 2 standing in his name on the Notice Paper for to-day, until Tuesday next.
14. Postponements:—The Orders Nos. 1 and 2 of Other Business postponed, on motion of Mr. Garrett, until Saturday next.
15. Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill:—On motion of Mr. Byrnes, the Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. The Chairman reported that there was not a Quorum present in the Committee. The Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of the Speaker, namely,—Mr. Alexander, Mr. S. Brown, Mr. Burns, Mr. Byrnes, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Egan, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster,
Mr.

Mr. Hart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Josephson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Neale, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, and Mr. Tighe,—the Speaker adjourned the House, at twenty-eight minutes before Nine o'clock, until *Saturday next*, at *Seven o'clock*, P.M.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

SATURDAY, 27 MARCH, 1869.

MEMO.—*The House meets at Seven o'clock, P.M., this day.*

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

SATURDAY, 27 MARCH.

Question :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What quantity of coal is shipped per month by the Newcastle Steam Cranes, since they were leased?
 - (2.) To whom are the Cranes leased; for what period; and on what terms?
 - (3.) Has any complaint been made as to the management of the Cranes; and if so, how many, and of what nature?
 - (4.) Does any one on behalf of Government inspect the Cranes, to ascertain that they are maintained in proper state of repair?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill Reported; adoption of Report.
2. Standing Orders Committee; reception of Report from Committee of the Whole.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. STEWART *to move*, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the Depositions, and of all other Evidence, taken before the Water Police Magistrate, in the case referred to in a report by the Acting Municipal Officer of Health, dated and submitted to the Municipal Council of Sydney on the 22nd of March, instant.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Australian Subscription, and Free Libraries; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
 - (2.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the Australian Subscription Library, having resolved to dispose of the valuable collection of books belonging to that Institution, it is highly desirable that Government should purchase the said collection for the Free Library, if it can possibly be done on terms mutually satisfactory.
 - (3.) That the Shareholders and Proprietors of the said Australian Subscription Library, having also resolved to dispose of their valuable building and building-ground, situated in Bent-street and Macquarie-street, it is very desirable that Government should purchase the same on such terms as aforesaid, with a view to bring the Free Library into immediate operation.
2. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill; second reading.
3. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill; second reading.
4. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer, That this Bill be now read a second time.
5. Burials Regulation Bill; to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 30 MARCH.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That the Return in the case of Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others, be printed.
2. MR. LUCAS *to move*,—the inhabitants of Rydal having petitioned this House, stating that they were induced to purchase from the Government land in the township of Rydal, at a very high price—viz., £105 per acre—upon which they have made valuable improvements, upon the faith and understanding that there should be reserved for their use, as a permanent water supply, that portion of Solitary Creek which runs through the town, and which is shown as a reserve upon the plan exhibited by the land agent on the day of sale, and in accordance with which plan they purchased their allotments; which reserve they have enjoyed up to a very late period,

period, when the Government took it up for railway purposes. The petitioners expected that it was taken for railway purposes only, and that when the wants of the railway were supplied, the remainder would revert to its former uses. They now find that the Minister for Works has let the most important part of the Water Reserve to a private firm, viz., Messrs. Asher and Co., carrying on the business of wine, spirit, and general storekeepers, who have erected stores and out-offices on the banks of the creek, thereby destroying the water, and otherwise materially affecting the petitioners interest. Having taken into consideration the allegations of the people of Rydal, as well as the answer of the Honorable the Minister for Works, viz.,—that the water-closet, from the nature of the ground, unless proper precautions are taken, is likely to injure the water in the creek, and that the said land was leased to Asher and Co. at the rent of £1 per month, subject to quit on receiving twelve months notice, at any time,—This House is of opinion that the Commissioner of Railways should forthwith give Messrs. Asher and Co. the necessary notice to quit; and that, when the requirements of the railway are supplied, the remainder of the land taken should be permanently reserved for the inhabitants of Rydal, and that this Resolution should be embodied in an Address to His Excellency the Governor.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Friendly Societies Bill; second reading.

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GARRETT to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles, from the Commission of the Peace, be adopted.
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New South Wales.

No. 63.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SATURDAY, 27 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment; the Speaker took the Chair.
Question on Notice Paper for to-day :—
Mr. J. Stewart withdrew the Question on the Notice Paper for to-day.
2. Special Adjournment :—Mr. Robertson moved (*with the concurrence of the House*), without Notice, That this House do not meet on Wednesday next, the 31st March. Question put and passed.
3. Paper :—Mr. Josephson laid upon the Table, Return (in part) to an Address in reference to "*Re John Tebbutt, Legatee of Sophia Beeson,*" adopted by this House on motion of Mr. R. Stewart, on the 2nd February, 1869.
4. Administration of Justice ("*Formal*" Motion) :—Mr. J. Stewart moved, pursuant to Notice, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will please to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the Depositions, and of all other Evidence, taken before the Water Police Magistrate, in the case referred to in a report by the Acting Municipal Officer of Health, dated and submitted to the Municipal Council of Sydney on the 22nd of March, instant.
Question put and passed.
5. Compulsory Vaccination Bill :—On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Report from Committee of the Whole upon this Bill was adopted.
Ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson, That the third reading of the Bill, as so reported, stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
6. Standing Orders Committee :—The Chairman of Committees brought up the Report from a Committee of the Whole in reference to "*Intrusion of Strangers in the Passages to the House,*"—"Control of the Messengers of this House,"—"New Parliamentary Refreshment Room;" and, on motion of the Chairman, the same was received, and read a first time, as follows :—
Resolved, That the Report of the Standing Orders Committee in reference to the "*Intrusion of Strangers in the Passages to the House,*" the "*Control of the Messengers of this House,*" and the proposal to provide a "*New Parliamentary Refreshment Room,*" brought up on the 24th instant, be now adopted, and communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.
On motion of Mr. Robertson, the Resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.
7. Postponements :—The undermentioned Orders of the Day (Other Business) postponed, respectively, on motion of the Members named :—
 - (1.) No. 1. By Dr. Lang, until Tuesday next.
 - (2.) No. 2. By Mr. Garrett, until Tuesday next.
 - (3.) No. 3. By Mr. Garrett, until Tuesday next.
 - (4.) No. 4. By Mr. Lucas, until Friday next.
 - (5.) No. 5. By Mr. Farnell, until Friday next.

The House adjourned, at twenty-five minutes past Seven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS
OF THE DAY.

TUESDAY, 30 MARCH.

Questions :—

1. MR. BURNS *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR LANDS,—Have the Government yet received an official Report, and if so, to what effect, on the manner in which the grants for the road from Deep Creek, near Cessnock, to Allandale, have been expended?
2. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) What quantity of coal is shipped per month by the Newcastle Steam Cranes, since they were leased?
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 - (3.) Has any complaint been made as to the management of the Cranes; and if so, how many, and of what nature?
 - (4.) Does any one on behalf of Government inspect the Cranes, to ascertain that they are maintained in proper state of repair?
3. MR. J. CAMPBELL *to ask* THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
 - (1.) If he is aware that the Landing Waiter, or Customs Officer of Morpeth, resides at Newcastle?
 - (2.) If so, is it with the permission of the Government?
4. MR. J. CAMPBELL *to ask* THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
 - (1.) If the Government have decided on a Site for the Railway Station House at Morpeth?
 - (2.) When is it likely the building will be commenced?
5. MR. J. STEWART *to ask* THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,—Why the Registrar General's Office for the Registration of Deeds was closed on Saturday last?

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS :—

1. MR. R. STEWART *to move*, That the Return in the case of Attorney General *v.* Elliott and others, laid upon the Table on 25th March, be printed.
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3. MR. BYRNES *to move*, That the Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's Amendments in the Small Debts Recovery Act Amendment Bill, which lapsed by the counting out of the House on Thursday last, be restored to the Paper, and the further consideration stand an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Friendly Societies Bill; second reading.
2. Australian Subscription, and Free Libraries; consideration in Committee of the Whole, of the following Resolutions, viz. :—
 - (1.) That it is desirable that Government should forthwith carry out the Resolutions of this House, of the 13th January, 1862, for the establishment of a Free Library.
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3. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. Compulsory Vaccination Bill ; third reading.
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THURSDAY, 1 APRIL.

OTHER BUSINESS—NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GARRETT to move, That the Report of the Select Committee on the removal of Mr. Samuel Charles, from the Commission of the Peace, be adopted.
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FRIDAY, 2 APRIL.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer That this Bill be now read a second time.
 2. Burials Regulation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.
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New South Wales.

No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

TUESDAY, 30 MARCH, 1869.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. Unavoidable Absence of Mr. Speaker:—The Clerk having informed the House (in accordance with the 2nd Standing Order) of the unavoidable absence of the Speaker,—the Chairman of Committees (Mr. Garrett) counted the House, and there being only Nineteen Members present, exclusive of the Deputy Speaker, namely,—Mr. Byrnes, Mr. J. Campbell, Mr. Cunneen, Mr. Farnell, Mr. Forster, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Hart, Mr. Hill, Mr. Josephson, Dr. Lang, Mr. Mate, Mr. Neale, Mr. Oatley, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Samuel, Mr. J. Stewart, Mr. R. Stewart, and Mr. Sutherland,—the Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, at half-past Three o'clock, until *Thursday next*, at Three o'clock.

W. M. ARNOLD,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL.

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GOVERNMENT

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3. Treason Felony Act Amendment Bill ; second reading.
4. Recovery of Sewerage Rates Bill ; second reading.

FRIDAY, 2 APRIL.

OTHER BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Sydney Corporation Act Amendment Bill ; Debate on the motion of Mr. Windeyer That this Bill be now read a second time.
2. Burials Regulation Bill ; to be further considered in Committee.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency the Right Honorable SOMERSET RICHARD,
EARL OF BELMORE, a Member of Her Majesty's Most
Honorable Privy Council in Ireland, Governor and
Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales,
and Vice-Admiral of the same.

WHEREAS by the Bill passed by the Governor and Legislative
Council of New South Wales, in the seventeenth year of the
reign of Her Majesty the Queen, intituled "*An Act to confer a Con-
stitution on New South Wales and to grant a Civil List to Her Majesty,*"
and assented to by Her Majesty, under the authority of the Act of
the Imperial Parliament, passed in the Session of the eighteenth and
nineteenth years of the said reign, intituled "*An Act to enable Her
Majesty to assent to a Bill as amended of the Legislature of New
South Wales to confer a Constitution on New South Wales and to
grant a Civil List to Her Majesty,*" it was amongst other things
enacted, that it should be lawful for the Governor of New South
Wales to prorogue the Legislative Council and Assembly thereof from
time to time: And whereas it is expedient to prorogue the said
Council and Assembly: Now, therefore, I, SOMERSET RICHARD,
EARL OF BELMORE, the Governor aforesaid, in pursuance of the power
and authority so vested in me, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative
Council and Assembly until Tuesday the eleventh day of May next,
and the same stand so prorogued accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House,
Sydney, this first day of April, in the year of Our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the
thirty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign.

(L.S.) BELMORE.

By His Excellency's Command,
JOHN ROBERTSON.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!
