Votes
New South Wales.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 7 AUGUST, 1923.

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 tenth day of July, 1923.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Clerk, by direction of Mr. Speaker, read a copy of the said Proclamation, as follows:—

" NEW SOUTH WALES, 	 Proclamation by His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight 
" (L.9.) 	 Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint 
" W. STREET, 	 George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, 
" By Deputation from 	 in the Commonwealth of Australia.
" His Excellency the 
" " Governor, 

" WHEREAS the Parliament of New South Wales now stands prorogued to Tuesday, the seventeenth day of July: Now, I, Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, in pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the said State, do hereby further prorogue the said Parliament to Tuesday, the seventh day of August, next: And I do further announce and proclaim that the said Parliament shall assemble for the despatch of business on the aforesaid seventh day of August, next, at Twelve o'clock at Noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, situate in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney: And the Members of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, respectively, are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

" Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney this tenth day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

" GOD SAVE THE KING! "

CHARLES W. OAKES,

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR:—The Usher of the Black Rod, being admitted, delivered the following Message:—

" Mr. Speaker,—

" 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,—

3. ADJOURNMENT:—The House adjourned, on motion of Sir George Fuller, at nineteen minutes before One o'clock, p.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

The House resumed, pursuant to adjournment,—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

4. DEATH OF WARREN HARDING, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without notice, That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Harding, through His Excellency the Governor, the deepest sympathy of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, on behalf of themselves and the people of the State, at the sad death of her illustrious husband; and to the people of the United States of America, their profound regret and sorrow at the loss which the nation has thereby sustained.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Lang, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—Question put and carried unanimously, the members and officers of the House, rising in their places.

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5. ASSENT TO BILLS.—Mr. Speaker reported that, during the recess, he had received the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor:

(1.) Metropolitan Water and Sewerage (Amendment) Bill:

Message No. 1.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the proclamation of catchment areas; to amend the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1916; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(2.) Wollongong to Port Kembla Railway Transfer Bill:

Message No. 2.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer to the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales of a line of railway from Wollongong to Port Kembla; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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 November, 1922.

(3.) Encroachment of Buildings Bill:

Message No. 3.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision for the adjustment of boundaries where buildings encroach on adjoining land; to facilitate the determination of boundaries; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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 November, 1922.

(4.) Friendly Societies (Amendment) Bill:

Message No. 4.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912,"—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 His 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 November, 1922.

(5.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:

Message No. 5.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(6.) Workmen's Compensation (Lead Poisoning—Broken Hill) Bill:

Message No. 6.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to extend the provisions for the payment of compensation to persons disabled by lead poisoning in or upon the Broken Hill mines; to establish a Medical Board with jurisdiction in the county of Travancore; to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(7.) Country Towns Water and Sewerage (Reduction of Debts) Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to reduce the debts of the councils of certain municipalities in respect of works of water supply or sewerage; to vest certain water-works in the Minister for Public Works, and to authorise him to carry on such works or to sell same; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(8.) Government Railways (Supply of Electricity) Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Railway Commissioners for New South Wales to generate and supply electricity; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(9.) Armidale Water Supply Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the carrying out of certain works to augment the water supply of the Municipality of Armidale; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(10.) Sydney Harbour Bridge Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a high-level cantilever or arch bridge across Sydney Harbour by connecting Dawes Point with Milson's Point, together with the necessary approaches, railway connections, and other works connected therewith; to provide for the use of such works by the Constructing Authority and other persons; to provide for the cost of the said works and other expenses connected therewith; to impose a rate on certain lands in relation to such works; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(11.) Undercliffe to Forest Hill Tramway Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Undercliffe to Forest Hill; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(12.) Local Government (Validation and Amendment) Bill:
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to validate certain matters; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—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 His 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.

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(13.) Birds and Animals Protection (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918, in certain respects,"—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 His 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.

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(14.) Public Service (Amendment) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the determination of the remuneration of certain public servants; to define the constitution, powers, and duties of certain salaries committees; to provide for the representation of public servants thereon; to amend the Public Service Act, 1922, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(15.) David Morris Revesting Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to declare certain land resumed for an irrigation settlement at Penrith to be vested in David Morris, notwithstanding a certain notification of resumption; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(16.) Cabramatta Park Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Registrar-General to register a certain transfer from the Public Trustee to the Council of the Municipality of Cabramatta and Condell Vale of certain land for a public park; to declare the powers and duties of the Council with regard thereto; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(17.) Sydney Corporation (Fish Markets) Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to empower the Municipal Council of Sydney to acquire the assets of the Commonwealth Co-operative Fish Exchange, Limited, and to dispose of same; to authorise the said Council to establish fish markets throughout a certain defined area within the county of Cumberland and to regulate same; to regulate the sale of fish by wholesale or by auction in the said county; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(18.) Botany Road Trust Constitution Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to establish a Botany Road Trust for the purpose of the reconstruction and maintenance of the Botany Road; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; to make certain grants from the Consolidated Revenue Fund in aid of the Botany Road Trust, and to confer certain powers therein; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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.

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(19.) Voluntary Workers (Soldiers' Holdings) Amendment Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the surrender to the Crown of certain lands granted to the Public Trustee; to make further provisions in respect of the Soldiers' Garden Village at Matraville; to amend the Voluntary Workers (Soldiers' Holdings) Act, 1917, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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 November, 1922.

(20.) Liquor (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—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 His 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, 6th December, 1922.

(21.) Newington College Council Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Council of Newington College and to vest certain lands and other property in such council, and to confer certain powers thereon; and for other incidental 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 His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 11th December, 1922.

6. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 28, nominated,—

David Henry Drummond, Esquire,
William Robert Fitzsimons, Esquire,
Robert Greig, Esquire,
Edward James Lorton, Esquire, K.C.; and
Robert Emmet O'Halloran, Esquire,
to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees during the present Session.

7. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the requirements of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, laid upon the Table his Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, of which the following is a copy:—

"By the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"Pursuant to the power in that behalf vested in me as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales, in the Commonwealth of Australia, by the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, I do hereby appoint—

"William Roy Clifford Bagnall, Esquire, Edward Aloysius McTiernan, Esquire,
"The Hon. Walter Bennett, B.A., LL.B.,
"William Scott Fell, Esquire, Hugh Main, Esquire,
"Mark Gosling, Esquire, Mark Fairies Morkin, Esquire, and
"Edward James Lorton, Esquire, K.C., Robert James Stuart-Robertson, 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 seventh day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

"DANIEL LEVY,
"Speaker."

And intimated that if not disapproved by the Assembly upon motion in the course of the three next following days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business, it shall take effect as an appointment of such Committee.

8. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:—Mr. Lang informed the House that on the 31st July last he was appointed Leader of the Opposition, such appointment to take effect from the 1st August instant.
9. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARIAN.—Mr. Speaker announced that leave of absence prior to retirement had been granted to Mr. F. Walsh, Parliamentary Librarian, and that Mr. J. J. Quinn had been appointed Acting Librarian during the period of such leave.

10. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER.—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esq., be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only. Question put and passed.

11. PAPERS:

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers,—

(1.) Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
(2.) Certified Copy of Agreement between the Council of the Municipality of Warren and Charles Alexander Saunders, relating to a franchise granted by the Council for the supply of electricity.
(3.) Copy of Agreement between the Council of the Municipality of Granville and the Parramatta Electric Supply Company, Limited, relating to a franchise granted by the Council for the supply of electricity.
(4.) Proclamations declaring certain lands to be private lands, under the provisions of the Mining Act, 1906.
(5.) New Regulations under the Mining Act, 1906.
(6.) Particulars of Gold and Mineral Leases, &c., in force in the several mining districts for the half-year ended 20th June, 1923.
(7.) Report of the Department of Mines for 1922.
(8.) Minute by the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. P. W. Hay and J. L. Lewis as Inspectors of Collieries, Department of Mines.
(9.) Minute by the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. J. W. Salter as Inspector of Mines, Department of Mines.
(10.) Minute by the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Harold George Ruggatt as Field Assistant, Geological Survey Branch, Department of Mines.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations under the Public Service Acts, 1902–1922.
(2.) Repeal of Regulations, Amended, New, and Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(3.) Minute by the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Bernard King, as Clerk in the Crown Solicitor's Office.
(4.) Rules of the Supreme Court, under the Legal Process Facilitation Act, 1904, regarding the issue of process at country towns.
(5.) Rule of the Supreme Court, under the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Acts, 1900–1912, extending the powers of the Prothonotary or Deputy Prothonotary.
(6.) Substituted Supreme Court Rule, under the Charter of Justice, regarding the examination for persons graduated LL.B.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Captain Chaney laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations Nos. 1 to 134, under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918, for the regulation and control of officers and servants of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission.
(2.) Repeal of Regulation No. 6 under the Water Act, 1912, and new Regulation No. 6 in lieu thereof.
(3.) Regulation No. 3a under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918.
(4.) Regulations under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918; for the supply of water for irrigation purposes for stock and domestic supply and for industrial and special purposes.
(5.) Regulations and By-laws under the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, as amended by the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918.

Amended Regulation No. 3a under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918 relating to the sinking of shallow bores.

(7.) Regulations Nos. 1 to 56 under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918, re Town Water Supply.
(8.) Additional Regulation No. 34 and Additional By-law No. 18a under the Wentworth Irrigation Act, 1890, as amended by the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918.
(9.) Repeal of Regulation No. 29 under the Irrigation Acts, 1912–1918.
(10.) Statement of receipts and expenditure of the Hay Irrigation Area for 1922.
(11.) Statement of receipts and expenditure of the Carlwa (Wentworth) Irrigation Area, for 1922.
(12.) Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. H. D. Barlow as Senior Dairy Instructor, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amended Regulations under the Conveyancing Act, 1910.
(3.) Return (in part) to an Order made on 17th March, 1892, “Convictions under the Liquor Acts.”
(4.) Amended Regulations under the Liquor Acts, 1912–1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Minutes of the Public Service Board, respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. D. L. Davison as Surveyor, Mr. C. E. Lewis as Engineering Draftsman, and Mr. E. O. R. Green as Supervising Engineer, Department of Public Works.

(2.)
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(2.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways, for the Quarter ended 31st December 1922.

(3.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways, for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1923.

(4.) Regulations under the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1916, for the Conduct of Elections of Suburban Members.

(5.) Amended By-laws under the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1916.

(6.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—
   (a) Railway between Coonabarabran and Barren Junction.
   (b) Railway between Regent's Park and Cabramatta.
   (c) Railway between Sydney and Bankstown.
   (d) Railway between Molong and Dubbo.
   (e) Railway traffic between Sydney and Parramatta, by widening of road near Frederick street, Mortlake.
   (f) Railway traffic between Sydney and Albury by provision of refuge siding between Callicoi and Fish River.
   (g) Railway traffic between Parramatta and Castle Hill by provision of additional accommodation at Model Farm road.
   (h) Railway traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of quadruplication between Sydney and Rockdale.
   (i) Railway traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of improved access to Banskia Station.
   (j) Railway traffic between Flemington and Wardell road by provision of additional accommodation for marshalling yards at Enfield.
   (k) Railway traffic between Sydney and Wallangarra by provision of road diversions near Armidale.
   (l) Railway traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of duplication arrangements at Wollongong.
   (m) Tramway traffic between Burwood and Mortlake, by widening of road near Frederick street, Mortlake.
   (n) Railway traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of carriage sheds at Punchbowl.
   (o) Railway traffic between Sydney and Albury by provision of Gate House at Bowral.

(7.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—
   (a) Railway traffic between Sydney and Bourke by provision of deviation between Bowenfels and Dicawa, Part 2.
   (b) Railway traffic between Liddoome and Regent's Park by provision of goods loop and regrading at Liddoome.
   (c) Railway traffic between Parramatta and Penrnattra by widening of main suburban line at Flemington.
   (d) Railway traffic between Stockinbingal and Forbes by provision of quarry siding at Tubbul Road.

(8.) Notifications of appropriation of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—
   (a) Railway traffic between Sydney and Albury by provision of additional water supply at Henty.
   (b) Railway traffic between Sydney and Nowra by extension of turn-table road at Kiama.
   (c) Railway traffic between Sydney and Wallangarra by provision of Railway Powder Magazine at Foostern.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Brunton laid upon the Table the following Papers—

(1.) Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. S. A. Broome, J. W. Hogarth, J. J. Christie, J. R. Patterson, H. Malcolm, G. J. A. Thompson, E. Smith, J. W. Raynor, B. Biddoul, and Messrs. L. M. E. Hicks, E. Lane, B. S. K. Vines, L. M. S. Plummer, D. D. Cartwright, D. M. George, C. E. Southwell, as teachers, under the Technical Education Branch, Department of Public Instruction.

(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment of Mr. G. Raynor BA as teacher of Greek and Life Drawing, Modelling, Architectural Modelling, and Sculpture, Applied Art Department, Technical Education Branch, Department of Public Instruction.

(3.) Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment on probation of Drs. K. St. Vincent Welch, S. A. Backingham, F. Tooth, D. H. Ratcliff, A. W. McCloy, as medical officers; and of Messrs. K. C. Warton, W. T. Hyder, J. K. Brooks, and B. J. Cohen, as dental officers, Medical Branch, Department of Education.

(4.) New and Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney.

(5.) By-laws and Rules of Wesley College, University of Sydney.

(6.) New By-law of St. Andrew's College, University of Sydney.

(7.) Regulations under the Architects Act, 1921.

(8.) Report of the Senate of the University of Sydney for 1922.

(9.) Report of the Trustees of the Public Library for the year ended 30th June, 1922.

(10.) Notifications of resumptions of land for Public School purposes at Beaury Creek, Bilaabul Upper, Bray's Creek, Breu, Bulli, Byrrill Creek, Cabolan, Corindi Upper, Glebe, Gordon, Kurnell Limpinwood, Mark Lodge, Mount Pritchard, Lynfield, Oakburn, Rose Bay, Ryde North, Sandringham, Sydney School of Arts, Tempe, Tush's Wooly, Woodburn, Woowons, and Yanco.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Papers—

(1.) Amended Regulation and form of Special License under the Forestry Act, 1916.

(2.) Return showing amount expended on afforestation under the Forestry Act, 1916, for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
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(3.) Notice of intention to declare that Homestead Selection No. 1920/4, Land District of Inverell, being portions 17 and 23, Parish of McDonald, County of Arawatta, shall cease to be voidable.

(4.) Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts from 26th August, 1922, to 27th July, 1923.

(5.) Cancellation of Regulation No. 16 and Form No. 10 under the Returned Soldiers' Settlement Lands Consolidation Act, 1916.

(6.) Amended Regulations Nos. 55 and 52 and Additional Form No. 49 under the Closer Settlement Acts, 1904-1919.

(1.) Report of the Registrar, regarding Friendly Societies, Trade Unions, Building Societies, Co-operative Societies, and Transactions under the Workmen's Compensation Acts, for the year ended 30th June, 1922.


(3.) Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners for 1922.

(4.) Report of the Royal Commission on Lunacy Law and Administration, with Notes of Evidence and Appendices.

(5.) Regulations under the Aborigines Protection Act, 1909.

(6.) Regulations under the Ambulance Transport Service Act, 1919.

(7.) Regulations under the Fisheries Act, 1902.

(8.) Regulations under the Natives Act, 1902.

(9.) Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899.

(10.) Regulations under the Public Health Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Registrar, regarding Friendly Societies, Trade Unions, Building Societies, Co-operative Societies, and Transactions under the Workmen's Compensation Acts, for the year ended 30th June, 1922.


(3.) Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners for 1922.

(4.) Report of the Royal Commission on Lunacy Law and Administration, with Notes of Evidence and Appendices.

(5.) Regulations under the Aborigines Protection Act, 1909.

(6.) Regulations under the Ambulance Transport Service Act, 1919.

(7.) Regulations under the Fisheries Act, 1902.

(8.) Regulations under the Natives Act, 1902.

(9.) Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899.

(10.) Regulations under the Public Health Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

12. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Frank Burke, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table:—
(1.) Railway from Ungarie to Mollie Gap:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Railway from Ungarie to Mollie Gap.

(2.) Railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding.

(3.) Railway from Comurra towards Boggabilla:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Railway from Comurra to Boggabilla.

(4.) Railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin.

Ordered to be printed.

13. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER:—Mr. Davidson (by consent) moved, without Notice, That leave of absence for two months be granted to Mark Gosling, Esquire, one of the Honorable Members for St. George, on account of absence from the State.

Question put and passed.

14. PRO FORMA BILL.—LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL:—Sir George Fuller presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence,"—and moved, pro forma, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

15. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—Mr. 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. It is with pleasure that I call you together for the discharge of your high and important duties.

2. Economic conditions have improved somewhat since you were last called together, though commercial and industrial affairs are not yet normal. It is regretted that the State as a whole was visited by drought conditions, districts throughout New South Wales being affected by this unfortunate dry period with rather disastrous results in many places. The welfare of the pastoral and agricultural community has engaged the unremitting attention of my Advisers, who have been able to afford relief to primary producers who are in necessitous circumstances through no fault of their own, by the reduction of railway freights, advances of seed, fodder and stores, and through other avenues of relief. The efforts of the Government in this direction have been most helpful to settlers throughout the State, and in the best interests of the general community. The bountiful rains recently experienced have relieved the anxiety of sheep-owners and agriculturists, but owners of cattle are still having an anxious time. My Advisers are hopeful that the measures which they have taken will considerably improve this state of affairs in the near future.

3. The necessity still exists for finding markets abroad for our products, and the Government is taking steps in the direction of encouraging co-operative marketing. The Premier during his visit to England took up with the Imperial Authorities the question, amongst others, of the encouragement of the consumption in England of Australian goods and the granting of preference. It is hoped...
hoped that his efforts will have proved effective, and that the Economic Conference to be held in London shortly will pave the way for the completion of arrangements in this connection. My Advisers are watching very carefully the effect of the Agreement made with the Commonwealth Government in the appointment of the Trade Commissioner in the East, and no effort is being spared to secure that New South Wales will reap the full benefit of the arrangement.

4. Ministers, in accordance with the promise made in that behalf, have caused a survey to be made of the Crown Lands and also of large estates within reach of railways and ports, with a view to arranging for the future use of agricultural areas. A Land Settlement Board has been constituted for the purpose of carrying out certain of the Government's Land Settlement proposals. The Board is working in conjunction with the Government Savings Bank Commissioners, and already there is considerable movement towards the breaking up of privately-owned estates, thus paving the way for the absorption of a considerable number of land settlers, especially those of our own citizens.

5. The main object of the Premier's visit to London was to bring to finality the negotiations between the Commonwealth and New South Wales Governments and the Imperial Government for an agreement relating to the migration of persons from Great Britain and their settlement on lands in this State. The visit has been most successful, and the agreement provides for the migration of six thousand new settlers who, wherever necessary, will receive the requisite instruction in farming, not only on farms devised for that purpose, but under arrangement with practical farmers, and will, in all suitable cases, be provided with land at a later date. The State Immigration Department is alive to the necessity for caring for those immigrants who are brought out under its auspices.

6. The Agreement entered into with the Prime Minister also makes provision for the advance of six million pounds for widespread developmental work. The State will be called upon to pay only one-third of the interest for the first five years.

7. Measures for the improvement and advancement of agriculture have, during the recess, received the attention of my Advisers who have conceived those engaged in agricultural pursuits throughout the State through the medium of conferences, with the result that the needs of all classes of primary producers, and the various disabilities under which they labour, are calculated to be better met under the proposals to be discussed during this Session, relating particularly to rural credit, community settlement, and fodder conservation. The discussions at the conferences threw considerable light upon the whole subject, and it is thought that the placing of a Community Settlement and Rural Credit Act upon the Statute Book will be most beneficial, and will provide the means and the inducement for the healthy co-operation, especially in country districts, which is so necessary, but which, under present circumstances, is so often lacking.

8. Replies to representations made to the Federal Government with regard to the provision of better and cheaper telephone facilities for country homes, show that this subject is receiving very careful consideration. With the advance that is being made in wireless telegraphy and wireless telephony, the people in country districts are likely to be brought into closer touch with distant parts of the world, thus making their lives more interesting than at present.

The system of agricultural instruction for children is being extended and improved as far as circumstances permit.

My Advisers made arrangements for the visit to New South Wales of Dr. Elwood Mend, Professor of Irrigation and Rural Institutions, University of California, with a view to his reporting upon the conservation and irrigation, and other matters relating to land settlement, with particular reference to the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area. Dr. Mend has not yet furnished his report, but it is felt that his advice will be most valuable.

Dr. Lasch has conducted a survey of the Murray lands, and has furnished the Government with valuable suggestions for the construction of certain railways, for the making of improved highways, and for other public works, designed to open up and develop large and rich areas of land. These reports will be given effect to by the Government, and proposals based upon them will be submitted for your approval.

The official Committee above-mentioned has also been deputed to make similar investigations and report on the Southern Coastal and Southern tablelands area. It has almost completed this task, and it is expected that within a few weeks reports and suggestions will be received bearing on the subject of roads, railways, and public works essential for the proper development of these portions of the State. When these reports and suggestions are received the Government will give full and favourable consideration to them, and submit them for the necessary action to give effect to them.

The agreement arrived at with the Government of the State of Victoria for the construction of several bridges across the Murray River and for the construction of certain lines of railway into this State from the border is about to be carried out, and the necessary work preliminary to the construction of the bridges and railways is well advanced.

Ministers have been in conference with members of the Federal Government and of the Queensland Government with a view to railway extensions which will link up the New South Wales railway, along the North Coast with the Queensland lines across the border. It is hoped that a successful conclusion will soon be made to these conferences.

It is proposed to instruct this official Committee to proceed further with its inspections and investigations in order to review systematically the needs of other country districts for public works requisite for their development. The assistance of all public bodies in various parts of the State which are visited by this Committee is requisite in order to forward the task entrusted to the Committee.
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10. The Coal Industry has recently passed through one of its periodical upheavals, but it is hoped that the settlement which has been effected will be a lasting one. From inquiries that are constantly being made, it is apparent that, if there were stability of conditions, a large export trade could be built up and maintained. Local consumers would be materially benefited by a cheaper and better supply.

11. My Advisers were recently in conference with Commonwealth Ministers and Ministers from the other States on the subject of taxation, and the agreement reached with the Federal Authorities will give relief to the bulk of the taxpayers in New South Wales from the necessity for furnishing duplicate returns and from other hardships.

12. Another matter of vital importance which was considered by the conference was that of the delimitation of the respective powers of the Commonwealth and States with regard to the regulation of industrial conditions. A provisional agreement was reached, and it is hoped that the matter will be considered shortly in such a way as to put an end to the duplication of control over the industries of Australia.

13. The resolution passed last Session recommending the holding of a Convention to consider the desirability of rearranging the present boundaries of the States was communicated to the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and to the Premiers of the other States. Information has been received to the effect that the whole matter will be taken into consideration by the Federal Government during the next Session. In view of this fact, no further action by the State is considered necessary at this stage.

14. The housing shortage and associated problems have been receiving the careful attention of Ministers, and legislation will be submitted for consideration dealing with these subjects.

15. The serious shortage of skilled labour is receiving earnest consideration, and it is found that the present law governing apprenticeship is quite unsuitable to existing conditions. Proposals to amend the law on apprenticeship and to increase the numbers in skilled occupations will be introduced.

16. An exhaustive inquiry has been made into various proposals for unemployment insurance. In view of the expressed intention of the Commonwealth Government to hold an inquiry into this question, it is proposed to await the results of this investigation before any legislation action is taken. It is, however, satisfactory to know that, apart from special industrial disturbances, the general proportion of unemployed shows a strong tendency to decrease.

17. The matter of the generation of hydro electric power is receiving attention. Work in connection with the Barrington scheme is proceeding, and a contract has been entered into for the necessary connecting machinery, etc. The survey staff has been greatly strengthened with a view to expediting the completion of investigations in hand and carrying on the power survey of the State. The water used for the generation of power will, of course, be utilized also for stock and domestic purposes.

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,—

18. There will be submitted for your consideration, in accordance with the promise made in that behalf, a measure for the reform of the Legislative Council.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

19. Steps which have been taken by my advisers have resulted in a considerable saving of Public Expenditure. It is hoped that it will be found possible to effect further savings without impairing efficiency, and the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the financial year will be framed with this object in view.

20. The construction of the City Railway and the preparatory steps for the erection of the Sydney Harbour Bridge are being pushed forward. The erection of the bridge will, it is estimated, facilitate the transport of primary products as well as conveniences and benefit residents on both sides of the harbour.

21. The revolution in transport brought about by petrol-driven vehicles, and their growing widespread use, necessitates the giving of consideration to the constitution of a Main Roads Board, and the imposition on the owners of such vehicles of fees more commensurate with the services rendered, which will be sufficient to maintain such service and relieve the general taxpayer of obligations for which he receives no benefit. Associated with this question is that of the evident need for the registration and regulation of all vehicles using the roads.

22. During the currency of the financial year 1922-23, the Government honoured the finding of the Wheat Compensation Committee relative to the 1916-17 Pool by paying over to the Wheat Board the sum of £549,214. In addition thereto the sum of £965,000 had been previously paid during this Government's term of office to meet the responsibilities of a former Government in respect of the 1920-21 Pool, and consequent upon the action of the Premier whilst in London it is anticipated that fullity in regard to all wheat pools will be reached before the close of this year.

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

23. A Bill safeguarding from allegations of invalidity marriages made pursuant to the law of the State will be introduced during this Session, together with one relating to matrimonial causes.

24. You will be asked to give consideration to a measure providing for the amendment of the Government Railways Act in certain respects, and to one relating to the reconstitution of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.

25. A Bill providing for the setting up of an Electricity Commission will be presented for your deliberations.
26. The Board of Trade, in its present form, will be abolished. As, however, there are certain important functions now discharged by that authority, which it is desirable to continue, it is proposed to replace it by a body of three experts to discharge such functions and duties as may be vested in it.

27. Investigations have taken place into the position of both the Railway and Public Service Superannuation Funds. The serious financial problems associated therewith will be dealt with in legislation which will conserve the interests both of the contributors and of the public.

28. A measure dealing with monopolies and combinations in restraint of trade will be submitted for your consideration.

29. Bills relating to the following subjects will be presented:—
   Returned Soldier Settlement and Closer Settlement.
   Boy Migration and Apprenticeship of Migrants.
   Irrigation.
   The Dairy Industry and Dairy Supervision.
   Stamp Duties and Finance.
   Pure Foods.
   The Liquor Traffic.
   Public and Private Hospitals.
   Lunacy, Mental Deficiency, and Venereal Diseases.
   Poisons.
   The Electoral Law.
   Undesirable Advertisements.
   Optometry.
   Housing, Fair Rents, and Building and Co-operative Societies.
   Insurance.
   Early Closing.
   The Living Wage.
   Legal Reform.
   Prickly-pear, Ticks, and Vermin.

The establishment of a Board to deal with works in the metropolitan area, and, in addition, other measures that were submitted to Parliament last session.

I now invite your earnest consideration of the matters proposed as the subjects of your deliberations, and pray that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, your labours will conduce to the well-being and prosperity of all classes of the community.

Mr. Jaques moved, and Mr. Jackson seconded the motion, That the following Address in Reply to the Speech which His Excellency the Governor has addressed to both Houses of Parliament on Opening this Session of the Parliament of New South Wales, be now adopted by this House:—

May it please Your Excellency,—

We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State.

Mc. Lang moved, That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

16. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-five minutes after Eight o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—Mr. Mark F. Morton presented a Petition from the Council of the Municipality of Illawarra (Central), representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed.

Petition received.

2. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only. Question put and passed.

3. PAPERS:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—

A letter from the Auditor-General, transmitting for presentation to the Legislative Assembly, under the directions contained in the 34th Section of the Audit Act, 1902, copies of minutes of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council, authorising transfers of amounts from one head of service to supplement a Vote for another service, and an amalgamation of certain Votes, viz.:—

(a) £650 from Vote, "Item No. 161," Petty Sessions—Contingencies—to the following Votes, viz. :-£50 to Vote "Item No. 151," Prothonotary and Registrar in Divorce—Contingencies; £60 to Vote "Item No. 152—Master-in-Equity—Contingencies; £50 to Vote, "Item No. 153," Registrar in Bankruptcy—Contingencies; £200 to Vote, "Item No. 157,"—District Court—Contingencies; and £300 to Vote, "Item No. 158,"—Fair Rents' Courts—Contingencies.

(b) £300 from Vote, "Item No. 71,"—Special Grants to Hospitals, &c., to Vote, "Item No. 73"
—United Dental Hospital of Sydney—Towards upkeep and maintenance.

(c) £2,646 from Vote, "Item No. 71,"—Special grants to Hospitals, &c., to Vote, "Item No. 87,"—Board of Fire Commissioners—Subsidy.

(d) £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 13,"—Anzac Memorial Hall of Fame Subsidy to Vote, "Item No. 14,"—Motor Cars—Expenses of Upkeep, &c.

(e) £70 from Vote, "Item No. 5,"—Legislative Council—Contingencies to Vote, "Item No. 7," Legislative Council and Assembly—Contingencies.

(f) £500 from Vote, "Item No. 145," To meet the legal expenses (with the exception of verdicts in cases against the Crown, &c.) of all Departments of the State, &c., to Vote, "Item No. 143," Judges' Contingencies; and £475 from Vote, "Item No. 161," Petty Sessions—Contingencies, to the following Votes, viz.:-£75 to Vote, "Item No. 153," Registrar in Bankruptcy—Contingencies; £200 to Vote, "Item No. 157,"—District Court Contingencies; and £200 to Vote, "Item No. 168,"—Purchase of Law Books, &c., for Courts of Petty Sessions, and Department of the Attorney General and of Justice.

(g) £700 from Vote, "Item No. 288,"—Crushing Batteries, to Vote, "Item No. 287,"—To promote prospecting for gold and other minerals, &c.
(1) £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 293"—Agriculture—Salaries ;—£3,400 from Vote, "Item No. 282"—Stock and Brands—Contingencies; £1,400 from Vote, "Item No. 309"—To organise and subsidise an Agricultural Bureau, &c.; £700 from Vote, "Item No. 320"—To organise and subsidise an Agricultural Bureau, &c.; £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 321"—Control, Marking, Fencing, and improving Water, &c., to the following Votes, viz. :—£5,500 to Vote, "Item No. 299"—Agriculture—Contingencies, and £100 to Vote, "Item No. 310”—To meet Salaries of Acting Inspectors, &c.

(2) £685 from Vote, "Item No. 56," Subsidies, Hospitals, and other Benevolent Institutions, Aid, &c., to Vote, "Item No. 57," Police and Firemen's Hospital Carnival, 1923, Aid, &c.

(3) £10,000 from Vote, "Item No. 91," Maintenance, Transmission of Institute Persons within and beyond the State, Charitable Relief, &c., to Vote, "Item No. 35," Director-General of Public Health, Contingencies.


(5) £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 233," Public Instruction, Salaries, to Vote, "Item No. 275," To provide for the payment to dependent relatives of gratuities equal to the monetary value of accumulated recreation leave due to Officers at date of their death.

(6) £500 from Vote, "Item No. 206," Schools of Art, Building Subsidies, to Vote, "Item No. 362," In aid of Educational Institutions for maintenance purposes, &c.

(7) £1,000 from Vote, "Item No. 81," Incidental, Unforeseen, and Petty Expenses, &c., and £1,429, from Vote, "Item No. 97," To provide outfits of infants' clothing in necessitous cases, to Vote, "Item No. 86," Amount required to provide for subventions to Friendly Societies.

(8) £2,000 from Vote, "Item No. 71," Special Grants to Hospitals, to Vote, "Item No. 75," Medical Practitioners—towards subsidising Medical Practitioners in Bush Settlements.

(9) £40 from Vote, "Item No. 207," Forestry Commission—Contingencies, to Vote, "Item No. 211," To meet claims for royalty on timber required in connection with settlement of repatriated soldiers.

(g) Amalgamation of the Items of Appropriations under Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, numbered 140 to 172, inclusive.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers :—

(1.) Amended Regulation and Form under the Pastures Protection Act, 1912.

(2.) Amended Regulation, New Regulation, Amended Form, and new Forms under the Pastures Protection Act, 1912.

(3.) Amended Regulation under the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901.

(4.) New Regulation under the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Paper.—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Sydney Cricket Ground Trust for year ended 30th June, 1923.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper.—New Regulation under the Public Service Protection Act, 1902, relating to the Department of Navigation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

(1.) Sale of Goods Bill :—

Mr. Speaker,—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to codify and amend the law relating to the Sale of Goods,"—forwarded to the Legislative Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, not having been finally dealt with because of the prorogation of the Legislature, the Legislative Council requests that the said Bill be proceeded with under the Assembly's Standing Order in that behalf.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 8th August, 1923.

FRED. FLOWENS, President.

And the 296th Standing Order of the House, providing for the restoration of the Bill to the stage it had reached at the close of the previous Session.

Ordered.—That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) Factors (Mercantile Agents) Bill :—

Mr. Speaker, A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to factors; to repeal the Factors Act, 1889, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—forwarded to the Legislative Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, not having been finally dealt with because of the prorogation of the Legislature, the Legislative Council requests that the said Bill be proceeded with under the Assembly's Standing Order in that behalf.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 8th August, 1923.

FRED. FLOWENS, President.

And the 296th Standing Order of the House providing for the restoration of the Bill to the stage it had reached at the close of the previous Session.

Ordered.—That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.
(3.) Boorabil Commission (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,

A Bill, intitled "An Act to amend the Boorabil Commission Act 1914,"—forwarded to the Legislative Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, not having been finally dealt with because of the prorogation of the Legislature, the Legislative Council requests that the said Bill be proceeded with under the Assembly's Standing Order in that behalf.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 8th August, 1923.

And the 296th Standing Order of the House providing for the restoration of the Bill to the stage it had reached at the close of the previous Session.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

(4.) Bank of New South Wales Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intitled "An Act to amend an Act intitled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned' ; and 'An Act to amend an Act intitled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales;' and for other purposes therein mentioned,'—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

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Bill, on motion of Mr. Cowan, read a first time.

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

The Governor's Opening Speech:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidsox, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"May it please Your Excellency,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person."

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Lang moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—

"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons: (a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practiced by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £519,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted.

Debate continued.

Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

6. Adjournment:—Mr. Wearne moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at half-past Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

[VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. 8th August, 1923.]
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 9 AUGUST, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. George Cann—From the Grand Council of Canterbury District Municipal Progress Associations.

(2.) By Mr. George Cann—From the Punchbowl Progress Association.

(3.) By Mr. George Cann—From the Mildura and Clissold Progress Association, Campsie.

(4.) By Mr. George Cann—From Harcourt–Redman Progress Association, Campsie.

(5.) By Mr. George Cann—From the Campsie Branch of the Australian Labour Party.

(6.) By Mr. George Cann—From the West Marrickville Branch of the Australian Labour Party.

(7.) By Mr. George Cann—From the Arncliffe Branch of the Australian Labour Party.

(8.) By Mr. George Cann—From St. George Electoral Council Australian Labour Party.

(9.) By Mr. Morrow—From the Council of the Municipality of Parramatta.

Petitions received.

2. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

3. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

May it please Your Excellency,—

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2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State.”

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Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made, and actions taken, regarding the payment of £549,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Loughlin moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next at Four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

**Water and Sewerage Rating System:**—Mr. Cromarty presented a Petition from Hamilton Municipal Council representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of taxable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal and Shire rates are imposed. Petition received.

2. **Papers:**—
   
   Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:
   
   (1.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
   (2.) Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the quarter ended 30th June, 1923.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

   Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement of Accounts showing income and expenditure under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, for the year ended 30th June, 1923.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

   Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Papers:
   
   (1.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Public Recreation Ground at Kempsey.
   (2.) Gazette Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication of certain lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
   (3.) Gazette Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication covering Garden Island, Port Jackson, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

   Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Director, Botanic Gardens, Garden Palace Grounds, Government Domains, Centennial Park, and State Nursery, Campbelltown, for 1922.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

   Mr. Brunskill laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minutes relating to the amendment or Regulations under the Public Instruction Act, 1880.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

   Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—A letter from the Auditor-General transmitting for presentation to the Legislative Assembly, under the directions contained in the 34th Section of the Audit Act, 1902, copy of Minute of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council, authorising the transfer of an amount from one Head of Service to supplement a Vote for another Service, viz., £4,000 from Vote “Item No. 31,” Police Contingencies, and £4,000 from Vote “Item No. 91,” Maintenance, Transmission of Destitute Persons within and beyond the State, Charitable Relief, &c., to Vote “Item No. 36,” Lunacy Contingencies.

   Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. **Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.
4. **The Governor's Opening Speech**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

May it please Your Excellency,

We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State.

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practiced by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £49,214 to the Australian Wheat Board.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Horsington moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. **Adjournment**—Mr. Ley moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at nine minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. Mowle,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Daniel Levy,
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:—
Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Recommendation of the Board appointed to assess the amount of compensation payable by the Government in respect of losses caused through faulty administration of the 1916-17 and 1917-18 Wheat Pools. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following papers:—
1. Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for:—
   a. Canterbury, Campsie, Belmore, and Bankstown Sewerage (3).
   b. Sydney Harbour Bridge (5).
   f. Hunter District Water Supply (5).
   g. Sydney Water Supply (7).
   h. Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer (6).
   i. Port Kembla Fire Station.
   j. Construction of a Breakwater at Port Kembla.
   l. Bowral Water Supply.
   m. Addition to Hickson-road, Sydney.
   n. Lake Victoria Works.
   o. Manly Water Supply.
   p. Wybung Creek Bridge.
   q. Tamworth Sewerage.
   r. Wyong Court House.
   s. Newcastle Stormwater Drainage.
   t. Railway Traffic between Sydney and Nowra by provision of Over-bridge at North Wollongong.
   u. Tramway Traffic between McMahon's Point and Lane Cove by provision of Watering Arrangements at Artarmon.
2. Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Local Government Act 1919, for:—
   a. Canterbury Drainage (2).
   b. Nowra Drainage.
   c. Access to Denison Park.
   d. Extending a public road in Newcastle.
   e. Electricity Substation at Warringah.
   f. Street-widening purposes at Kogarah.
   g. Drainage easement in the Municipality of Prospect and Sherwood.
(d) Water Supply Purposes and Storage Depot within the Blue Mountains Shire.
(e) Street-widening purposes at Manly.
(f) Springwood Tumble Recreation purposes.
(g) Blackheath Drainage.
(h) Widening King's and Harris Roads, Five Dock.
(i) Boule Park.
(j) Bankstown Sanitary Depot.
(k) Tumbaramba Water Supply.
(l) Recreation purposes within Nepean Shire.
(m) Granville Municipal Council.
(n) Extending Townsend street to Gregory Street, Kogarah.
(0) Quarry at Kurrajong.
(p) Tumbarumba Water Supply.
(q) Recreation purposes within Nepean Shire.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

3. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS:—

(1.) Maturity of Warraitt Reported:—Mr. Speaker reported that his Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, laid upon the Table on Tuesday, 7th August, 1923, not having been disapproved by the Assembly in the course of the three next following 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 159th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912.

(2.) Member Sworn:—Edward Aloysius McTiernan, Esquire, B.A., LLB., came to the Table, and was sworn by the Clerk as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

4. THE GOVERNOR’S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House,—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty’s loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency’s Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty’s Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Sir Charles Rosenthal moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Wrenn moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at six minutes after Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

W. S. MOYLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEDIMENT RATING SYSTEM.—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of taxable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed, were presented by Mr. Fitzsimons:—
1. From the Hornsby and District Chamber of Commerce.
2. From the Normanhurst Progress Association.
3. From the East Fairfield Progress Association.

Petitions received.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Lang, as Chairman, brought up the First Report, during the currency of the Twenty-sixth Parliament, of the Public Accounts Committee, together with Minutes of Evidence. Ordered to be printed.

PAPERS:—Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
1. Regulations for the Receipt and Coinage of Gold at the Sydney Branch of the Royal Mint.
2. Amended Regulation under the Navigation Acts, 1901-4, in regard to the examination of Masters and Mates in the Mercantile Marine.
10. Treasury Regulations under the Audit Act, 1902.
12. Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales, together with Balance-sheet, for 1922.
13. Minute by the Colonial Treasurer in regard to the exemption from Stamp Duty of certain documents.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment on probation of Mr. R. V. D. Gallagher as Teacher of Electrical Trades, Technical Education Branch, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Davidson (by consent) moved, without Notice, that leave of absence for two months be granted to John Edward Birt, Esquire, one of the Honourable Members for Sydney, on account of illness.

Question put and passed.
5. **CHAIRESHMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

6. **COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—MEMBERS SWORN:**—Edward James Loxton, Esquire, K.C., the Hon. Walter Bennett, William Scott Fell, Esquire, and Mark Fairies Morton, Esquire, came to the Table, and were sworn by the Clerk as Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

7. **THE GOVERNOR’S OPENING SPEECH:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House,—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"May it please Your Excellency,—

"We, His Majesty’s loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency’s Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty’s Throne and Person.

"1. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

"2. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State.”

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—“We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,314 to the Australian Wheat Board.”

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Drummond (by consent) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Mr. Wearne moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o’clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at fifteen minutes after Eleven o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o’clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
No. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY 21 AUGUST, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Bagnall—From the Business Men's Forum.
(2.) By Mr. Bagnall—From the Hurstville and District Chamber of Commerce.
(3.) By Mr. Bagnall—From the National Association of New South Wales, Campsie Branch.
(4.) By Mr. Bagnall—From the Council of the Municipality of Rockdale.
(5.) By Mr. Cromarty—From the Council of the Municipality of Warners Bay.
(6.) By Mr. Cromarty—From the Council of the Municipality of Merewether.
(7.) By Major Connell—From the Teralba Progress Association.
(8.) By Major Connell—From the Stockton Progress Association.

Petitions received.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only. Question put and passed.

PAPERS:—
Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902, respecting conditions of employment and rates of pay of temporary office assistants. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wears laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication of certain lands, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Forty-third General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS:—Members sworn:—William Roy Clifford Bagnall, Esquire, Hugh Main, Esquire, and Robert James Stuart-Robertson, Esquire, came to the Table and were sworn by the Clerk as Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"May it please Your Excellency,—
"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

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"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3: "We further beg to inform Your Excellency that Your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Mr. Doe moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Havin moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at seven minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
WEDNESDAY, 22 AUGUST, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Goldstein:—

(I.) From the Clovelly Citizens' Progress Association.
(2.) From the Coogee Vigilants' and Ratepayers' Association.
(3.) From the Lawson Ward Progress Association.

Petitions received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Acts, 1912-22, governing the conditions of apprenticeship in the industry or occupation of Bricklaying.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Fourth Report of the Commonwealth Royal Commission on Taxation.
(2.) Fifth and Final Report of the Commonwealth Royal Commission on Taxation, together with Appendices.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

4. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and Its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"May it please Your Excellency,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon
Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, that the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £343,214 to the Australian Wheat Board.

And the Question being again proposed, that the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted.—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge moved, that this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, that the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller moved, that this House do now adjourn, until To-morrow at Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-two minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DAVID LEVY
Speaker
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 23 AUGUST, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Frank Burke:—

(1.) From the Municipality of Alexandria._

(2.) From the Political Labour League, Waterloo.

Petitions received.

2. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

3. PAPER:—Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Bruce Murray Arthur, as Agricultural Instructor, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

To His Excellency
Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON,
Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished "Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,014 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And
And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Dr. Stopford moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir Arthur Cocks moved, That this House do now adjourn, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-two minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Ness—From the Council of the Municipality of Marrickville.
(2.) By Mr. Ness—From the National Association of New South Wales, Marrickville Branch.
(3.) By Mr. Wilson—From the Ashfield Shopkeepers' Progress Association.
(4.) By Mr. Wilson—From the Women's Christian Temperance Union of New South Wales.

Petitions received.

2. PAPER I—Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper,—Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

4. CHILD WELFARE BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Bruntnell, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to children.

State Government House, Sydney, 22nd August, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. The Governor's Opening Speech:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

May it please Your Excellency,—

We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.
"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,314 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Buttenshaw moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

6 ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Wearne moved that this House do now adjourn, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Two minutes before Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow at Four o’clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—Protection of lands to be private lands, under the provisions of the Mining Act, 1906. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
   (1.) Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1906.
   (2.) Repeal of Regulation under the Second-hand Dealers and Collectors Act, 1906.
   (3.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Dr. John Postock as Senior Medical Officer, Department of Mental Hospitals, Department of Public Health.
   (4.) Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment, on probation, of Dr. L. Sharpestein as Resident Medical Officer, Newington Asylum, Department of Public Health.
   (5.) Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment, on probation, of Dr. D. T. Ruston Smith as Assistant Medical Officer, Sanatorium, Waterfall, Department of Public Health.
   (6.) Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment, on probation, of Dr. E. T. Hilliard as Junior Resident Medical Officer, Department of Mental Hospitals, Department of Public Health.
   (7.) Memorandum by the Government Statistician regarding the area of New South Wales within which experience has shown that wheat for grain can be grown profitably. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to abolish the Housing Board; to confer certain powers on the Minister; to provide for the vesting of certain lands in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and for the vesting of certain lands and securities in the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales; to confer on the said Commissioners respectively certain powers of management and other powers; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House.
Sydney, 16th August, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER:—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only. Question put and passed.
4 THE Governor's Opening Speech.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House:

1 To His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished "Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

2 MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of "New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's "Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne "and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the "measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be "made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, "our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—We further be, to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers "have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary "education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of "the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the "imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement "have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the "State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of "prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception "practised by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the "payment of £549,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 30 AUGUST, 1923, A.M.

Debate continued.

Mr. Grimm moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow, and (with the unanimous concurrence of the House) take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn, until Four o'clock p.m., This Day.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty minutes before Four o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock p.m., This Day.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker,
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No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 30 AUGUST, 1923.

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

DEATH OF MR. JOHN RAMSAY AND ACCIDENT TO MR. W. S. MOWLE, C.M.G., AND OTHERS:—Sir George Fuller made reference to the tragic death of Mr. John Ramsay, of the Hansard staff, which took place this morning, as a result of a motor-car accident, and to the injuries received by Mr. W. S. Mowle, C.M.G., Clerk of the House, and others, and moved,—That this House do now adjourn until Seven o'clock this evening.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Lang, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner and Mr. Dooley, and Mr. Speaker having addressed the House,—

Question put and carried unanimously, the Members and Officers of the House rising in their places.

The House adjourned accordingly.

The House resumed pursuant to adjournment,—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES AND DEPUTY-SPEAKER :—Sir George Fuller moved, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker for this day only.

Question put and passed.

3. The Governor's Opening Speech :—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Jaques, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, be now adopted by this House :—

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

1. We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of the State."

Upon which Mr. Lang had moved, That the Address be amended by the insertion of the following words to stand as paragraph 3:—"We further beg to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers have lost the confidence of the House for the following reasons:—(a) The facilities for primary education of the country and outer suburban children have been curtailed by the abolition of the system of free conveyance, and the facilities for higher education have been restricted by the imposition of High School fees and other means. (b) The efforts to promote Land Settlement have been wholly inadequate to meet the legitimate claims of land seekers already in the State, while unemployment has been intensified by the encouragement of immigration of prospective settlers from overseas for whom provision has not been made. (c) The deception practiced by your Advisers in the uncertain statements made and actions taken regarding the payment of £549,214 to the Australian Wheat Board."

And
And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put, "That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 47.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Arkell, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Leston,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Main,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nimingham,
Mr. Benett, Mr. Menzies,
Lecturer: Mr. Mack P. Morton,
Mr. Bissettshaw, Mr. Nobsites,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Perkins,
Sir Arthur Cook, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Constancy, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Doe, Lect.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Drummond, Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Scott Felt, Mr. Thorby,
Mr. I. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Fitrimson, Mr. Walker,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Warne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Grimes, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Hosley, Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Nos,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jages,

Noes, 35.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. H. Murray,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. Matt, Mr. Knight,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. George Cana, Mr. O'Halahan,
Mr. Clark, Mr. O'Hearn,
Major Connell, Mr. Scally,
Mr. Davidson, Mr. Sheehy,
Mr. William Davy, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Flannery, Mr. Ratchiffe,
Mr. Gregg, Mr. Rorhdine,
Mr. Horningine, Mr. Rorke,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazenni,
Mr. Longhin, Mr. McClelland,
Mr. James McCurr, Mr. McKeel,
Mr. McFerren, Mr. McFerren,
Mr. Munawa, Mr. Moldsworth,
Mr. Murphy,

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted.

Point of Order in Division:—Mr. Davidson submitted that certain Honorable Members had admitted during the debate that they had a pecuniary interest in a certain matter which was mentioned in the amendment, and that therefore, under Standing Order 204, these Honorable Members were not eligible to vote on this question.

Mr. Speaker said it was not competent for him to decide whether any Honorable Member was or was not personally interested in this vote. There was a way of testing that question admitted during the debate that they had a pecuniary interest in a certain matter which was by moving a substantive motion that certain votes be disallowed. At the present stage the vote must be taken. The Honorable Member might later on move a motion such as he had indicated.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. O'Toole,
Mr. George Cana, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Clark, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Major Connell, Mr. Scally,
Mr. William Davy, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. James McCurr,
Mr. Flannery, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Gregg, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Horningine, Mr. Longhin,
Mr. Lang, Mr. McClelland,
Mr. Lazenni, Mr. Moore,
Mr. Longhin, Mr. Mulligan,
Mr. James McCurr, Mr. McKeel,
Mr. McFerren, Mr. McFerren,
Mr. Munawa, Mr. Moldsworth,
Mr. Murphy,

Noes, 47.

Mr. Arkell, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Leston,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nimingham,
Mr. Scott Felt, Mr. Noke,
Mr. I. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Fitrimson, Mr. Walker,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Warne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Grimes, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Hosley, Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Nos,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jages,

And so it passed in the negative.

Question proposed,—That the Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House.

Debate continued.

FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST, 1923; A.M.

Debate continued.

Mr. Ley moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put.

The
The House divided.  

**Ayes, 46.**  
Mr. Anderson,  
Dr. Arthur,  
Mr. Bagall,  
Mr. Ball,  
Mr. Bavin,  
Mr. Buresell,  
Lient.-Col. Bruxner,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Captain Chadly,  
Sir Arthur Coote,  
Mr. Cramberry,  
Mr. Doe,  
Mr. Drummond,  
Mr. Scott Fell,  
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,  
Mr. Grimm,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morris,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leeton,  
Mr. Manchester,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Goldstein,  
Mr. NSW,  
Mr. Veer,  
Mr. Kilpatrick,  
Mr. Lane,  
Mr. Lee,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  

**Noes, 43.**  
Mr. Baddeley,  
Mr. Frank Burke,  
Mr. George Cann,  
Mr. Clark,  
Mr. James McGirr,  
Mr. McColl,  
Mr. McFirman,  
Mr. Monah,  
Mr. B. D. Murray,  
Mr. Match,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. O'Halloran,  
Mr. O'Hearn,  
Mr. Atkins,  
Mr. Baddeley,  
Mr. Francis Burke,  
Mr. George Cann,  
Mr. Clark,  
Mr. James McGirr,  
Mr. McColl,  
Mr. McFirman,  
Mr. Monah,  
Mr. B. D. Murray,  
Mr. Match,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. O'Halloran,  
Mr. O'Hearn,  

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—Question put—That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at a quarter before Four o'clock.  

**Question put,—That the Question be now put."**  
The House divided.  

**Ayes, 44.**  
Mr. Anderson,  
Dr. Arthur,  
Mr. Bagall,  
Mr. Ball,  
Mr. Bavin,  
Mr. Buresell,  
Lient.-Col. Bruxner,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Captain Chadly,  
Sir Arthur Coote,  
Mr. Cramberry,  
Mr. Doe,  
Mr. Drummond,  
Mr. Scott Fell,  
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,  
Mr. Grimm,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morris,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Leiton,  
Mr. Main,  
Mr. Morro,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Nesbitt,  
Mr. Nes,  
Mr. Perdoni,  
Dr. Stephen,  
Sir Charles Roseenthal,  
Lient.-Col. Rutledge,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Wilson,  

**Noes, 33.**  
Mr. Arkia,  
Mr. Baddeley,  
Mr. Francis Burke,  
Mr. George Cann,  
Mr. Clark,  
Mr. James McGirr,  
Mr. McColl,  
Mr. McFirman,  
Mr. Monah,  
Mr. B. D. Murray,  
Mr. Match,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. O'Halloran,  
Mr. O'Hearn,  
Mr. Atkins,  
Mr. Baddeley,  
Mr. Francis Burke,  
Mr. George Cann,  
Mr. Clark,  
Mr. James McGirr,  
Mr. McColl,  
Mr. McFirman,  
Mr. Monah,  
Mr. B. D. Murray,  
Mr. Match,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. O'Halloran,  
Mr. O'Hearn,  

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—Question put—That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at a quarter before Four o'clock.  

The
The House divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Ley,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lotten,
Mr. Bell, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Bevin, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Lst. Col. Beuvin, Mr. Nash,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nesbitt,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Ness,
Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Perdriat,
Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Dox, Mr. Percivali,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Skelton,
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stephord,
Mr. J. G. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Trechy,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wearn,
Mr. Grimm, Mr. Weaver,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hill, Teller,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bagwell,
Mr. Jacques, Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Kilpatrick.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Babbidge, Mr. O'Keane,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. Clark, Mr. Scally,
Major Connell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Davidson, Teller,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Fitzgerald,
Captain Dunn, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Flannery, Mr. Greig,
Mr. Hoedron, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Doe, Mr. MacKinnon,
Lieut.-Col. Hutledge, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Vincent,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wearn,
Mr. Grimm, Mr. Weaver,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hill, Teller,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bagwell,
Mr. Jacques, Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Kilpatrick.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at ten minutes before Two o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next at a quarter before Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. 

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH.—The Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor their Address in Reply to the Speech His Excellency had been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament on opening the Session.

And being returned,—

The Speaker reported that the Assembly had presented to the Governor their Address in Reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to give thereto the following answer:—

Government House, Sydney.

The Honorable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,—

I beg to thank you for your Address, and to express my gratification on receiving your pledge of continued attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

I am glad to receive your assurance that your earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to you, and that the necessary provision for the Public Service will be made in due course.

I have every confidence that, under Divine Providence, your zealous labours will conduce to the general welfare and happiness of all classes of the community.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

4th September, 1923.

2. ACCIDENT AT BELLBIRD COLLIERY, CESSNOCK.—ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller said that it was with a sense of profound regret that he had to announce that since the House met on Thursday last a catastrophe of a most serious nature had occurred on the Maitland Coalfields, at the Bellbird Colliery, Cessnock, accompanied by a tremendous loss of life, and to mark the sympathy of the House moved, That this House do now adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening.

Mr. Lang seconded the Motion, and It.-Colonel Bruxner and other Members having addressed the House,—

Question put and carried unanimously, the Members and Officers of the House rising in their places.

The House adjourned accordingly.

The House resumed pursuant to adjournment,—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had granted to the Clerk of the Assembly, William Stewart Mowle, Esquire, C.M.G., two months' leave of absence to allow him to take the rest which his medical adviser considered, after his recent injuries, necessary to restore his health sufficiently to enable him to resume his duties in this House, and that he had recommended Mr. Sydney Grant Boydell, the Clerk Assistant, for appointment as Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the absence of Mr. Mowle.

4. ACTING CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission in favour of Sydney Grant Boydell, Esquire, who had been appointed, by the Governor and Executive Council, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly during the absence, on leave, of the Clerk of the Assembly.

Mr. Speaker then administered to Mr. Boydell the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office as Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, respectively.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Real Estate and Stock Agents Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of real estate and stock agents; to prohibit certain acts by unregistered agents; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 14th August, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Bankstown Resumption Recession Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the resumption of certain lands at Bankstown, resumed under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912; to authorise the resumption of certain lands by the Railway Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 23rd August, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

6. PETITION OF WILLIAM JOSHER THOMAS:—Mr. Speaker referred to a Petition presented on Thursday last by Mr. William Davies from William Joseph Thomas, praying to be heard at the Bar of the House, in reference to matters mentioned in a speech delivered in the House by an Honorable Member, and said that he had looked into the question and found that the Petition conflicted with the provisions of Standing Order 90, and with the usage of the House of Commons (May's Parliamentary Practice, 12th Edition, p. 555), under which it was not permissible for a Petition to be presented in which reference is made to a Debate in Parliament, and he was therefore clearly of opinion that it could not be entertained.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Lane:—

(i.) From the Free Trade and Land Values League.
(ii.) From the Taxpayers' Association of New South Wales.
(iii.) From the Rating on Unimproved Values for Water and Sewerage League.
(iv.) From the Annandale National Association.
(v.) From the Annandale Vigilant Association.

Petitions received.

8. PAPERS:—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(i.) Agreement between the Council of the Municipality of Gulgong and Leslie Whenlock Norris relating to a franchise granted by the Council for the supply of electricity.
(ii.) Report of the Housing Board on the Dacey Garden Suburb and Observatory Hill ("The Rocks") resumed area, and other Housing Schemes for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
(iii.) Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands under the provisions of the Mining Act, 1906.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(i.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—
(a) Hunter District Water Supply.
(b) Sydney Harbour Bridge.
(ii.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Local Government Act, 1919, for—
(a) Hornsby Shire Council for roadway purposes.
(b) Canterbury Municipal Council for park purposes.
(c) Canterbury Municipal Council for roadway purposes.
(e) Woollahra Municipal Council for town-planning purposes.

(iii.) Return showing comparative fares and freights charged by the New South Wales and Victorian Government Railways.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Director, Botanic Gardens, Garden Palace Grounds, Government Domains, Centennial Park, and State Nursery, Campbelltown, for 1921.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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9. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Cameron moved, pursuant to Notice, That Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House. Question put and passed.

10. BUSINESS DAYS (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of Business at "Four" o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week. Question proposed, That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question. The House divided. Noes, 23. Ayes, 27.

11. PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice,—(1) That during the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, General Business shall take precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays.

(2) That General Notices of Motions and General Orders of the Day shall take precedence respectively on each alternate Tuesday.

(3) That Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Question put and passed.

12. LIBRARY COMMITTEE (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice,—That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Greig, Mr. Wilson, and the Mover, with authority and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council, in accordance with the Assembly's resolution of 6th August, 1892. Question put and passed.

13. PRINTING COMMITTEE (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice,—(1) That the Printing Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Goldstein, Major Connell, Captain Dunn, Mr. Fitzsimmons, Mr. Gosling, Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Nesbitt, and the Mover, to whom are hereby referred all papers (except such as the Standing Orders or the House direct shall be printed, Reports from Select Committees on Private Bills, Estimates of Expenditure, and Estimates of Ways and Means), which may be laid upon the Table of the House. It shall be the duty of such Committee to report from time to time which of the papers referred to them ought, in their opinion, to be printed, and whether in full or in abstract, and it shall be in the power of the Committee to order such papers, or abstracts thereof, to be prepared for press by the Clerk in attendance upon such Committee, and such papers or abstracts shall be printed unless the House otherwise order;

(2) That the Clerk of the House shall cause to be printed, as a matter of course, all reports from the Printing Committee.

(3) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House. Question put and passed.

14. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice,—That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session consists of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Lang, Lt.-Colonel Brayner, Captain Dunn, Mr. Greig, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Main, Mr. Walker, and the Mover, with leave 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, and that Mr. Speaker be empowered to convene meetings of the Committee. Question put and passed.

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15. EARLY CLOSING (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Saturday Half Holiday Act, 1910, in certain respects.

Question put.

The House divided.

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And so it passed in the negative.

16. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-three Minutes after Nine o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDEL, 
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Papers:

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Farms—Farm Account,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
2. Mittagong Farm Home—Farm Account,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
3. Grosford Farm Home for Boys—Farm Account,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
5. Enfield Bootmaking School—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for year ended 30th June, 1923.
7. Prisons Bread Account—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
8. Emu Plains Prison Farm—Farm Account,—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Brunton laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment of Mr. W. Arundel Orchard, Mus. Bac., as Director, New South Wales Conservatorium of Music, Department of Public Instruction.
2. Mental Defectives—Report of Miss Lorna Myrtle Hodgkinson, Supervisor of the Education of Mental Defectives, Department of Education.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper—Agreement between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Commonwealth Government regarding the settlement in New South Wales of migrants from the United Kingdom.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF STATE FORESTS:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Wearne, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 19th section of the Forestry Act, 1916, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly that a resolution be adopted authorising the revocation of the dedication as State Forests of certain lands as per attached Schedule.


Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Schedule and Explanatory Statement.

3. REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF STATE FORESTS:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Wearne, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

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W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 19th Section of the Forestry Act, 1916, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly that a resolution be adopted authorising the revocation of the dedication as State Forests of certain lands as per attached Schedule.

State Government House, Sydney, 22nd August, 1923.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Schedule and Explanatory Statement.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Wearne,—

(1.) Crown Lands Amendment (Disposal) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise, as if such lands had been acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Mr. Baxtin,—

(2.) Public Service (Temporary Officers) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to authorise the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain returned soldiers, now or lately temporarily employed in such Service; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 3rd September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(3.) Crimes (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Criminal law, and for that purpose to amend the Crimes Act, 1900, and certain other Acts, and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 3rd September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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By Mr. Lay,—
(1.) Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill.
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to confer additional powers on the Public Trustee; to amend the Public Trustee Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.
State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
(5.) River Murray Waters Bill.
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith.
State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Stuart-Robertson, one of the Honorable Members for Balmain, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—The sentences inflicted on persons addressing meetings in Macquarie-street and Bathurst-street, Sydney.
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Stuart Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Mr. Speaker said that as it appeared that the matter referred to in the motion was the subject of an appeal, or a pending appeal, it could not be discussed under a motion for adjournment; and, therefore, he ruled the motion out of order.

7. RIVER MURRAY WATERS BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Lay on behalf of Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria, and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Lay then presented a Bill intitled "A Bill to ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria, and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
8. MAINTENANCE ORDELS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL:—Mr. Lay moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill, which was introduced in the Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, but was interrupted before its completion by the close of the Session, be now reintroduced at the stage it had reached at the time of such interruption.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

9. PUBLIC TRUSTEE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Lay moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill, which was introduced in the Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, but was interrupted before its completion by the close of the Session, be now reintroduced at the stage it had reached at the time of such interruption.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Bill be further considered in Committee of the Whole To-morrow.
10. PUBLIC SERVICE (TEMPORARY OFFICERS) BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Rivlin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain returned "soldiers," now or lately temporarily employed in such service; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Loughlin moved, That the question be amended by inserting, after the word "soldiers," the words "and other persons."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted.

Debate continued.

Question put, That the words proposed to be inserted, be so inserted.

The House divided.

**Ayes, 25.**

Mr. Frank Burke,
Mr. Clark,
Major Connell,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davies,
Captain Dunn.
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Greig,
Mr. Kogan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Loane,
Mr. Lochab,
Mr. McCallland,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. McTearian,
Mr. Stuyph,
Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Nutch,
Mr. O'Halloran.

**Noes, 37.**

Mr. Arkia,
Mr. Bagall,
Mr. Bavin,
Liet.-Col. Brunnner,
Mr. Cameron,
Captain Charley,
Sir Arthur Coles,
Mr. Cormarthy,
Mr. Doon,
Mr. Drummond,
Mr. Scott Foll,
Mr. Ettinson,
Sir George Fuller,
Mr. Goldstein,
Sir Thomas Henley,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Jacquet,
Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Lane.

Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ley,
Mr. Lottan,
Mr. Main,
Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Morton,
Mr. Neshitt,
Mr. Neve,
Mr. Perkins,
Liet.-Col. Ralston,
Dr. Stephed,
Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Wilson.

And so it passed in the negative.

Original question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill intituled "A Bill to authorise the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain Returned Soldiers, now or lately temporarily employed in such service; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

11. CROWN LANDS AMENDMENT (DISPOSAL) BILL.:

(1.) Mr. Wearne moved, pursuant to Notice, That Jesse be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise, as if such lands had been duly acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Wearne then presented a Bill intituled, "A Bill to provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise, as if such lands had been duly acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

12. FACTORS (MERCHANTILE AGENTS) BILL.:

The order of the day having been read,—Mr. Bavin 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. Bavin, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ettinsons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bavin the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

13. SALE OF GOODS BILL.:

The order of the day having been read,—Mr. Bavin 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. Bavin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bavin the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The House adjourned at five minutes before Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow at Four o’clock.
No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—EARTHQUAKE DISASTER IN JAPAN—Sir George Fuller referred to the terrible occurrence that had recently taken place in Japan, and to the Message sent by the Acting Prime Minister of Australia, and intimated that he had sent a Telegram to the Acting Prime Minister inquiring whether, on behalf of the people of Australia, he had made offers of assistance to the Japanese nation, and whether the Government of New South Wales could afford any practical help in this direction. On receipt of a reply he would make a communication to the House.

2. WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM.—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Baguell:
   (1.) From the Warren and South Ward Progress Association, Marrickville.
   (2.) From the North East Canterbury (South Ashfield) Progress Association.
   (3.) From the Kogarah Bay Progress Association.
   (4.) From the Penshurst Progress Association.
   (5.) From the Lakemba Progress Association.

Petitions received.

3. PAPERS:—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Memoranda, Reports of Debates, and Decisions arrived at by the Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers, held at Melbourne, May—June, 1923. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by the Chief Inspector of Coal Mines on the Bellbird Colliery Disaster. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—By-laws under the Broken Hill Water Supply Administration Act, 1915, respecting waste and misuse of water. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:
   By Mr. Ley:
   (1.) Liquor (Amendment) Bill.—W. E. DAVIDSON, Message No. 31.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to vest in Licensing Magistrates to be appointed the powers and duties of the Licensing Courts and of the Licenses.
Licenses Reduction Board; to provide for the periodical submission of the question of prohibition with compensation to the popular vote; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 6th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Captain Cheffey,—

(2.) Registration of Stock Brands (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Registration of Stock Brands Act, 1921, in certain respects.

State Government House, Sydney, 6th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(3.) Veterinary Surgeons Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 6th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(4.) Mines Inspection (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to extend certain provisions of the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, to smelting works, quarries, and dredges; to amend the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(5.) Local Government (Advertisement Hoardings) Amendment Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to empower the Councils of Municipalities and Shires to regulate advertisement hoardings and the display of advertisements, to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Stuart-Robertson, one of the Honorable Members for Balmain, a Notice, under the 40th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—"The sentence passed by Magistrate Le Brun Brown, on Tuesday, 4th September, 1923, upon Messrs. Denford and Foley for speaking in Bathurst-street, City."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Bruntnell moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

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The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick.
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane.
Mr. Clark, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Baggaill, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Poole.
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Main.
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Birmingham.
Mr. Bitternshaw, Mr. Blackford.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. News.
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Pedrigan.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Coombery, Mr. Stephenson.
Mr. Doee, Mr. Walker.
Mr. J. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Womers.
Mr. Ettison, Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Dunne.
Mr. Hill, Mr. Drummond.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Perkins.
Mr. Jaynes, Mr. Quirk.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Scully.
Mr. Clark, Mr. Schwel.
Majr. Cooewell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Davisoen, Tellers.
Mr. Dem, Mr. Doeezy.
Mr. Dooy, Mr. Skeltenon.
Mr. Fisión, Mr. Fition.
Mr. Horsington, Mr. Lang.
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. McClelland, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. McNeil, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. McTiernan, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. Molesworth, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. D. Murray, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. M'Neill.
Mr. Quirk, Mr. Quirk.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."

And Mr. Stuart-Roberton having spoken in reply.

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Scully.
Mr. Clark, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Baggaill, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Poole.
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Main.
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Birmingham.
Mr. Bitternshaw, Mr. Blackford.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. News.
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Pedrigan.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Coombery, Mr. Stephenson.
Mr. Doee, Mr. Walker.
Mr. J. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Womers.
Mr. Ettison, Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Dunne.
Mr. Hill, Mr. Drummond.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Perkins.
Mr. Jaynes, Mr. Quirk.

Noes, 42.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick.
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane.
Mr. Clark, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Baggaill, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Poole.
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Main.
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Birmingham.
Mr. Bitternshaw, Mr. Blackford.
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Captain Chaffey, Mr. Pedrigan.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Coombery, Mr. Stephenson.
Mr. Doee, Mr. Walker.
Mr. J. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Womers.
Mr. Ettison, Mr. Weaver.
Sir George Fuller, Teller.
Sir Thomas Henley, Teller.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Dunne.
Mr. Jaynes, Mr. Jackson.

And so it passed in the negative.

6. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee.

7. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS:—Member sworn.—Mark Gosling, Esquire, came to the Table and was sworn by the Acting Clerk as a Member of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

8. FACTORS (MERCHANTILE AGENTS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Bevin, read a third time. Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to factors; to repeal the Factors Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6th September, 1923.

FACTORS (MERCHANTILE AGENTS) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 6th September, 1923.

S. G. Boydell,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

Page 1, clause 1, line 7. Omit the figure " 2 " secondly occurring, insert the figure " 3 ."
Page 1, clause 1, line 10. Omit "two " insert " three."

Examined,—
R. B. Walker,
Chairman of Committees.

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9. SALE OF GOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Bavin, read a third time.
Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "An Act to codify and amend the law relating to the Sale of Goods," with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6th September, 1923.

SALE OF GOODS BILL.
Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 6th September, 1923.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Page 2, clause 1, line 3. Omit "three," insert "four.

Examined,—

H. B. WALKER,
Chairman of Committees.

10. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL:—(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Regulation of the Practice of Veterinary Science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Captain Chaffey then presented a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the Regulation of the Practice of Veterinary Science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

11. RIVER MURRAY WATERS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball 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. Ball, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. O'Halloran, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

12. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (EXCEPTION) BILL:—The Order of the day having been read,—Mr. Ley 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. Ley, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ley, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

13. PUBLIC TRUSTEE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ley, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

14. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Three minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:

Captain Chafer laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Abstract of Crown lands intended to be dedicated to public purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Irrigation (Amendment) Acts, 1916–1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weare laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1923. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Weights and Measures Branch, Chief Secretary's Department, for 1922. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ravin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations Nos. 128A and 292A under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. William Davies, one of the Honorable Members for Wollondilly, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—

"The defective lamps at the Scarborough Mine."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr. Davies moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

3. BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Cromarty moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkus, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Lt.-Col. Brummer, Sir Arthur Coote, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Dee, Mr. Scott Fall, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fitzsimmons, Sir George Fuller, Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jones, Mr. Kilpatrick, and so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noses, 25:

Mr. Bardeley, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Campbell Dunn, Captain Dunn, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Kean, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McColl, Mr. Stuart-Robson, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. James McGur, Mr. Gregory Mclntire, Mr. McKell, Mr. McTernan, Mr. Missingham.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Cromarty, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present.—
Mr. Speaker counted the House, and there being only Eighteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely:—Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Clark, Mr. William Davies, Captain Dunn, Mr. Flannery, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Hill, Mr. Horsington, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McKell, Mr. McTernan, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Banion, Mr. Perdrixan, and Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at twenty-two minutes after Ten o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,  DANIEL LEVY,  
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  Speaker.
No. 17.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Dr. Arthur:

(1.) From the Shire of Warringah.
(2.) From the Freshwater Tramway League and Progress Association.
(3.) From the Dee Why Progress Association.
(4.) From the Curl Curl Progress Association.
(5.) From the Brookvale Progress Association.
(6.) From the North Narrabeen Improvement Society.

Petitions received.

ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. O'Hearn, one of the Honorable Members for Maitland, a notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:

"Failure of the Government to carry out Dredging Work in the Hunter River, thereby causing serious inconvenience to large numbers of primary producers."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr. O'Hearn moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

3. RIVER MURRAY WATERS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, entitled, "An Act to ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 12th September, 1923.
4. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time.
Ordered, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

MRS. PRESIDENT,

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the enforcement in New South Wales of maintenance orders made in England and Ireland and certain other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates and vice versa,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, 
Sydney, 12th September, 1923.

5. PUBLIC TRUSTEE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time.
Ordered, 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 confer additional powers on the Public Trustee; to amend the Public Trustee Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, 
Sydney, 12th September, 1923.

6. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Leg moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to vest in Licensing Magistrates to be appointed the powers and duties of the Licensing Courts and of the Licenses Reduction Board; to provide for the periodical submission of the question of prohibition with compensation to the popular vote; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) Factors (Mercantile Agents) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled, "An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to factors; to repeal the Factors Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Council Chamber, 
Sydney, 12th September, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, 
President.

(2.) Sale of Goods Bill:

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled "An Act to codify and amend the law relating to the Sale of Goods."

Legislative Council Chamber, 
Sydney, 12th September, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, 
President.

8. CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Bavin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Criminal Law, and for that purpose to amend the Crimes Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Criminal Law, and for that purpose to amend the Crimes Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADVERTISEMENT HOBARDINGS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Councils of Municipalities and Shires to regulate advertisement hoardings and the display of advertisements; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to empower the Councils of Municipalities and Shires to regulate advertisement hoardings and the display of advertisements; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.
10. Bankstown Resumption Rescission Bill:—
(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the rescission of a resumption of certain lands at Bankstown resumed under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912; to authorise the resumption of certain lands by the Railway Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for the rescission of a resumption of certain lands at Bankstown resumed under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912; to authorise the resumption of certain lands by the Railway Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed; and read a second time To-morrow.

11. Mines Inspection (Amendment) Bill:—
(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend certain provisions of the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, to smelting works, quarries, and dredges; to amend the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled, "A Bill to extend certain provisions of the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, to smelting works, quarries, and dredges; to amend the Mines Inspection Act, 1901, the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

12. Public Service (Temporary Officers) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
The House adjourned, at ten minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 1923

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following paper:—Regulations under the Sunday Trading (Refreshment Rooms) Act, 1916.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following papers:—
(1) Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication of certain lands under the Crown lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(2) Abstract of Crown lands intended to be dedicated to Public purposes under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:
(1.) Public Roads (Amendment) Bill:—
MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Public Roads Act, 1902; to validate certain notifications purporting to be made under the provisions of that Act; and for other purposes incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.
Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) Seat of Government Surrender (Amendment) Bill:—
MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Seat of Government Surrender Act, 1909, and for that purpose to ratify and confirm an agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales; and for other purposes," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.
Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(3.) Crown Purchases Vesting Bill:—
MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to declare that certain lands purchased by the Crown were vested in the Crown; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.
Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:
13th September, 1923.

(4.) Crown Lands Purchase Validation Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to validate a certain additional conditional purchase made by John Kane,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(5.) Closer Settlement Purchases Validation Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to validate certain settlement purchases, and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(6.) Observatory Park Weather Bureau Site Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Commonwealth of Australia to occupy and use a certain portion of Observatory Park for the purpose of the erection and maintenance thereon of a Weather Bureau; to amend the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(7.) Conveyancing (Amendment) Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law with regard to easements of air; and for that purpose to amend the Conveyancing Act, 1919,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(8.) Transfer of Records Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer of certain records from the Supreme Court to the office of the Registrar-General; to amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.
Bill, on motion of Mr. Bavin, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(9.) Prisoners Detention (Amendment) Bill:
Mr. Speaker,—
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Prisoners Detention Act, 1908, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—forwarded to the Legislative Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, not having been finally dealt with because of the prorogation of the Legislature, the Legislative Council requests that the said Bill be proceeded with under the Assembly's Standing Order in that behalf.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th September, 1923.

And the 296th Standing Order of the House providing for the restoration of the Bill to the stage it had reached at the close of the previous Session.

Ordered, that the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

3. ADJOURNEMENT—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Murphy, one of the Honorable Members for North Shore, a Notice under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz:—
"The failure of the Government to adopt a progressive policy for the purpose of alleviating the "distress that is prevalent, due to the vast number of unemployed in the State."
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Murphy moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Mr. Speaker having heard argument, ruled the motion out of order, on the grounds, that the terms of the motion were not definite, as provided by the Standing Order, and did not embrace a single specific matter of recent occurrence.

4.
4. Forestry Act, 1916—Revocation of Dedication of State Forests:—Mr. Wearne moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Forestry Act, 1916, this House agrees to the revocation of the dedication of the State Forests indicated in the Schedule hereunder:

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(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

Debate ensued.

5. Public Service (Temporary Officers) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Bavin,—

"That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the question being again proposed—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

6. Printing Committee:—Mr. Goldstein, on behalf of Sir Thomas Henley, Chairman, brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee.

7. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at ten minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. Boydell, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

Daniel Levy, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 19.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

DEATH OF HIS EXCELLENCY SIR WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, K.C.M.G., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND ITS DEPENDENCIES.—Sir George Fuller announced to the House the death of His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, K.C.M.G., Governor of this State, which took place on the 16th instant.

2. ADDRESS OF CONDOLENCE TO DAME MARGARET DAVIDSON.—Sir George Fuller moved, without Notice,—That the following Address of Condolence to Dame Margaret Davidson on the death of His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, K.C.M.G., Governor of this State, be now adopted by this House:—

"To Dame Margaret Davidson, 

State Government House, Sydney.

Madam,—

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our profound sympathy with you and your family in the irreparable loss which you have sustained by the death of your distinguished husband, His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, K.C.M.G., Governor of the State of New South Wales.

We are also deeply sensible of the loss sustained by the Citizens of this portion of the British Empire.

We recall the tact, zeal, and wide experience he possessed, and assure you of the universal love and respect which His Excellency inspired in all classes of the community, during his term of office extending over almost six years." The motion having been seconded by Mr. Lang, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Dr. Fallon, Mr. Skelton, and Mr. Nesbitt,—Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House rising in their places. Whereupon Sir George Fuller moved, That the Address of Condolence now adopted be communicated by Mr. Speaker to Dame Margaret Davidson. Question put and passed.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, as a tribute to the memory of His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, K.C.M.G.

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House rising in their places. The House adjourned accordingly, at seven minutes before Five o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. C. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

2. Water and Sewerage Rating System:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Municipality of Eastwood.
(2.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Eastwood District Progress Association.
(3.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Willoughby and District Progress Association.
(4.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Artarmon District Progress Association.
(5.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Roseville East Progress Association.
(6.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Northbridge Progress Association.
(7.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Gordon Progress Association.
(8.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Tambourine Bay Progress Association.
(9.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Croydon Progress Association.
(10.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Central Concord Progress Association.
(11.) By Mr. Loxton—From the North Strathfield Ratepayers and Citizens’ Association.
(12.) By Mr. Loxton—From the North Strathfield Progress Association.
(13.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Strathfield Improvement Association.
(14.) By Mr. Loxton—From the South Strathfield Progress Association.
(15.) By Mr. Bennett—From the Municipality of East Maitland.

Petitions received.

3. Control of the Practice of Optometry or Sight-testing.—Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner presented a Petition from certain residents of the State urging that legislation be passed to control the practice of optometry or sight-testing.

Petition received.

4. Papers:—

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amended By-laws of the University of Sydney.
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. F. J. Bragan as Teacher of Mathematics, Broken Hill, Technical Education Branch, Department of Education.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulation under the Harbour and Tonnage Rates Act, 1920.
(2.) Regulations under the Navigation Acts, 1901–4, in regard to the carriage of motor vehicles by ship.
(3.) Aborigines Protection Board—Produce and Sale Store Account—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
(4.) Mental Hospitals generally—Farm and Garden Account—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
(5.) Public Health Farm Account—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1923.
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19th September, 1923.


(8.) Statement of Accounts of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1923. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. Ley, pursuant to leave granted on 12th September, 1923, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to vest in Licensing Magistrates to be appointed the powers and duties of the Licensing Courts and of the Licenses Reduction Board; to provide for the periodical submission of the question of prohibition with compensation to the popular vote; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith," which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed and read a second time tomorrow.

6. THE ACTING CLERK SUMMONED:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker informed the House that the Acting Clerk had received a subpoena calling upon him to appear before the Supreme Court at Darlinghurst on Monday next, the 24th day of September, 1923, in the case of "The King versus Walter James Boston, John Andrew Harrison, and Henry Ernest Mitchemore" to produce the Governor's Writ, dated the 8th day of November, 1913, for the Electoral District of Wagga Wagga. And having reminded the House that the Acting Clerk could not comply with such subpoena without leave of the House, put a Question—That the Acting Clerk have leave to comply with the subpoena, personally, or by any of the Officers of his Department, as may be most convenient to the business of this House,—which was resolved in the affirmative.

7. MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker:

By Mr. Ball:

(1.) Hunter District Water and Sewerage (Amendment) Bill:—W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for water supply, sewerage, and drainage for the Hunter District; to amend the Hunter District Water and Sewerage Acts, 1892-1908; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 19th September, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Junee Water Supply Administration (Amendment) Bill:—W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision for the future administration of the Water Supply at Junee; to amend the Junee Water Supply Administration Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 19th September, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Sir Arthur Cocks:

(3.) Supply Bill:—W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan.

State Government House,
Sydney, 19th September, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Bagnall, one of the Honourable Members for St. George, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the Adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz:—"The recent killing of Percy Carratt, five years of age, by Puddifoot, sexual pervert."—And the Motion for the Adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members—Mr. Bagnall moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Point of Order:—Mr. Loxton submitted, That as the time for an appeal on behalf of the Crown, or on behalf of the convicted person, had not yet expired it was not competent for this House to discuss the matter on a Motion for Adjournment. The Deputy-Speaker said, that as an appeal had not been lodged the matter was not sub judice, and he therefore could not uphold the point of order.
Mr. Ley moved, That the Question be now put, Question put,—That the Question be now put. The House divided.

**Ayes, 35.**

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Ley, Mr. Arkie, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Rossingham, Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Captain Claffey, Mr. Perkins, Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Doe, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Therby, Mr. D. Morris, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wann, Mr. Evans, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Late, Mr. McKell, Tellers.

**Noes, 26.**

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. George Canned, Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. Clark, Mr. Quirk, Major Connell, Mr. Racliffe, Mr. Dunne, Mr. Keogh, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Teller, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. McCelland, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Doe, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wann, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Late, Mr. McKell, Tellers.

And it appearing by the Tellers’ Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of at least Thirty Members,—

And Mr. Bagnall having spoken in reply,—Question put—that this House do now adjourn. The House divided.

**Ayes, 29.**

Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Arkie, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Rossingham, Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Captain Claffey, Mr. Perkins, Sir Arthur Coads, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Doe, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wann, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Late, Mr. McKell, Tellers.

**Noes, 25.**

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lee, Mr. Arkie, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Rossingham, Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Captain Claffey, Mr. Perkins, Sir Arthur Coads, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Doe, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Wann, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Late, Mr. McKell, Tellers.

And so it passed in the negative.

9. **PUBLIC SERVICE (TEMPORARY OFFICERS) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time. Ordered, 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 authorise the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain returned soldiers, now or lately temporarily employed in such Service; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

**Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 19th September, 1923.**

10. **CROWN LANDS AMENITY (DISPOSAL) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Wearne 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. Wearne, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment. On motion of Mr. Wearne, the report was adopted. Ordered that the Bill be read a third time Tomorrow.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-eight minutes after Eleven o’clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o’clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

R. B. WALKER, Deputy-Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Absence of Mr. Speaker:—The Acting Clerk informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent.

Whereupon the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.

2. Water and Sewerage Rating System:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. D. Murray:—

(1.) From the Workers Industrial Union of Australia, Mining Department.
(2.) From the Federal Council of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.
(3.) From the United Operative Bricklayers' Trade Society.
(4.) From the Operative Painters and Decorators' Union of Australia, New South Wales Branch.
(5.) From the Operative Stonemasons' Society of New South Wales.
(6.) From the Waterside Workers' Federation of Australia, Sydney Branch.
(7.) From the Blacksmiths' Society of Australia.
(8.) From the Australian Clerical Association, New South Wales Branch.

Petitions received.

3. Papers:—Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker:

By Sir George Fuller,—

(1.) Factors (Mercantile Agents) Bill:—

W. P. Cullen.

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to factors; to repeal the Factors Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrollment, in the manner required by law.

State Government House,
Sydney, 20th September, 1923.
(2.) Sale of Goods Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to codify and amend the law relating to the Sale of Goods,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.


By Captain Chapple,—

(3.) Plant Diseases Bill.

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor

in accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill relating to diseases in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith.


Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(4.) Stock Diseases Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill relating to diseases in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith.


Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. River Murray Waters Bill:—Mr. Deputy-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 ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 20th September, 1923.

6. Crown Lands Amendment (Disposal) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued. Question put and passed. Bill read a third time. Ordered 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 provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise as if such lands had been duly acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 20th September, 1923.

7. Public Roads (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Wearne 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. Wearne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

5. VACANT SEAT—Electoral District of Namoi.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had to-day received
a letter from Patrick Charles Scully, Esquire, resigning his seat as a Member for the Electoral
District of Namoi.
Whereupon Sir George Fuller moved, That the seat of Patrick Charles Scully, Esquire, a Member
for the Electoral District of Namoi, hath become and is now vacant by reason of the resignation
thereof by the said Patrick Charles Scully.
Question put and passed.

9. NOMINATION OF MEMBER—Electoral District of Namoi.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that,
pursuant to the provisions of the Parliamentary Elections (Casual Vacancies) Act, 1920, as
amended by the Parliamentary Elections (Casual Vacancies) Amendment Act, 1921, he had
received from the recognized party leader, John Thomas Lang, Esquire, the nomination of William
James Scully, Esquire, of Tamworth, in the State of New South Wales, Contractor, as the person
titled to be elected to the Legislative Assembly in place of the late Member, Patrick Charles
Scully, Esquire, resigned.

10. MEMBER SWEORN.—William James Scully, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed
the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as one of the Members for the
Electoral District of Namoi.

13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT PURCHASE VALIDATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr.
Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

14. CROWN LANDS PURCHASE VALIDATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr.
Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

15. OBSERVATORY PARK WEATHER BUREAU SITE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr.
Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question put and passed.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee
of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.
16. **Standing Orders Committee—Reference to Committee**—Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider, and, if they think desirable, to prepare and submit for consideration by this House new or amended Standing Orders,—

(a) Investing the Clerk of the House, while acting as a Chairman for the election of Speaker, with plenary powers for the maintenance of order, and the putting of all questions which may be put with the Speaker in the Chair.

(b) Providing for the recording of pairs in divisions in the House or in Committee of the Whole.

(c) Limiting the application of the closure by providing that the motion, "That the question be now put," shall not be submitted from the Chair, if in the opinion of the Speaker or Chairman of Committees, such motion is an abuse of the rules of the House or an infringement of the rights of the minority.

(d) Providing that the Speaker shall decide whether a subject of which notice is given for consideration under Standing Order No. 49 is of urgent public importance and of recent occurrence.

(e) Providing that instead of printing the evidence taken before Select Committees six typewritten copies shall be deemed sufficient.

(f) Providing that the Speaker may, in certain circumstances, allow questions to be asked after the lapse of thirty minutes from Mr. Speaker calling on Notices of Motions and Questions as provided in Standing Order No. 79.

(g) Giving precedence, on days on which it is appointed that General Business shall take precedence to motions to disallow Regulations, By-laws, or Ordinances laid upon the Table of the House.

(h) Providing for a time limit of speeches by Honorable Members.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Eighteen minutes after Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock

S. G. Boydell,  
*Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

Daniel Levy,  
*Speaker.*
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Ness presented a Petition from certain
women citizens of Marrickville, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave
danger to our young people and have become a national menace, and praying that legislation for
their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of the Colonial Treasurer’s Statement
of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and other Accounts for the
Financial Year ended 30th June, 1923, together with the Auditor-General’s Report thereon;
transmitted to the Legislative Assembly under the provisions of the Audit Act, 1902.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Warrne laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return showing surrender and allotment of
lands under the Promotion provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return showing estimated number of
unemployed in the State for each month of the years 1917 to 1923, inclusive.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—
(a) Sydney Harbour Bridge.
(b) Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer.
(c) Hunter District Water Supply.

(2.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Local
Government Act, 1919, for a Storage Depot for the Blacktown Shire Council.

(3.) Amending By-law under the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880–1922, respecting
hydrostatic test to house-drains.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Report of the State Debt Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1923, together with
Appendices.

(2.) Return respecting salaries of Government employees, together with information relating to
loans and total indebtedness of the State.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of
Mr. Cromarty, read a third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, entitled "An Act to
amend an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company
called the 'Bank of New South Wales,' and for other purposes therein mentioned"; and "An Act
to amend an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company
called the 'Bank of New South Wales'"; and for other purposes therein mentioned,"—returns
the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th September, 1923.
4. GRANTING OF TITLES.—Mr. George Cann moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1) That, in the opinion of this House, the granting of titles is contrary to the sentiment of the citizens of New South Wales.

(2) That the above Resolution be conveyed to His Gracious Majesty King George, through His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Debate ensued.

Captain Dunn moved, That the Question be now put.

Question, "That the Question be now put,"—put and passed.

Original question put.

The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Question put.

The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-one minutes after Eight o'clock, until To-morrow at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Morrow presented a Petition from certain residents of Parramatta and district, representing that wine bars and wine licences constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith. Petition received.

2. ADDRESS OF CONDOLENCE TO DAME MARGARET DAVIDSON ON THE DEATH OF HIS EXCELLENCY SIR WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, K.C.M.G.:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the resolution of this House, he had presented to Dame Margaret Davidson the Address of Condolence passed on the 18th instant; and that Dame Margaret had made thereto the following reply:

"State Government House,
Sydney, 26th September, 1923.

The Honorable
The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

"Mr. Speaker,—

Would you be so kind as to express for me to the Members of the Legislative Assembly, my most sincere thanks for the message of sympathy they have sent me, through you, in the great sorrow that has befallen me.

"My husband's sole consideration, from the first day he assumed the Governorship of New South Wales, was to devote himself absolutely to the weal of the State. Though he was not permitted to complete his labours here, it gives me much satisfaction to know that his endeavours have been appreciated by you and by the loyal people of New South Wales.

"MARGARET DAVIDSON.

3. PAPERS:—

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1) Report on the Murrumbridgee Irrigation scheme by Dr. Elwood Mead.
(2) Report on Fodder Conservation by Dr. Elwood Mead.
(3) Report on Irrigable Areas in the Drainage of the Hawkesbury River by Dr. Elwood Mead.
(4) Memorandum by Dr. Elwood Mead respecting Allocation of Murray Waters and Amendments to Laws governing Water Rights.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1) Report respecting charges against the Station-master at Broadmeadow.
(2) Report of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage for the year ended 30th June, 1923, together with Appendices, Photographs, Diagram, and Plan.

Ordered to be printed.

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MESSAGES FROM THE DEPUTY-GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker,—

By Mr. Ball,—

(1) River Murray Waters Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 46.

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to ratify an agreement for the variation of the agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria, and other Waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; to repeal the River Murray Waters (Amendment) Act, 1920, and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th September, 1923.

By Sir Arthur Cocks,—

(2.) Bread Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 47.

Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to regulate the weight of bread; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the enforcement in New South Wales of maintenance orders made in England and Ireland and certain other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates, and vice versa,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th September, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "An Act to confer additional powers on the Public Trustee; to amend the Public Trustee Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—with the Amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which Amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th September, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

PUBLIC TRUSTEE (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 26th September, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 2, clause 2, line 36. After "court" insert "and the substitution therefor of the words "being registered under the Registration of Deeds Act, 1897.""

Examined,—

B. B. O'CONNOR,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the Amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Loxton, one of the Honorable Members for Ryde, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.—"The refusal of the Minister of Justice to take the necessary steps for an inquiry under Section 475 of the Crimes Act of 1900, as to the guilt or otherwise of one Ernest Grant, recently convicted of conspiracy to defraud the Railway Commissioners, in view of the subsequent confession on oath of one Charles Frederick Clark, exculpating the said Ernest Grant, and inculpating another employee in the service of the Railway Commissioners."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr.
Mr. Loxton moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Loxton moved, That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Question put.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read as follows:—

Ordered,—That the report be now received.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered,—That it be agreed to.

Thursday, 27 September, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read as follows:—

(1) Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty:—

(a) A sum not exceeding £2,218,800, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the State during the month of October or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1924, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1923, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1923-1924.

(b) A sum not exceeding £3,000, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for Services (as set forth in Schedule A to the Supply Bill).

(c) A sum not exceeding £3,200, payable out of the Public Works Fund in anticipation of Votes (as set forth in Schedule B to the Supply Bill).

(d) A sum not exceeding £750,900, payable out of the General Loan Account in anticipation of Loan Votes (as set forth in Schedule C to the Supply Bill).

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

9. Ways and Means.—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker moved the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read as follows:—

(1) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the financial year 1923-1924, the sum of £3,013,900 be granted, viz.:—£2,218,800 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £3,200 out of the Public Works Fund, and £750,900 out of the General Loan Account.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

10. Supply Bill.—

(1) Ordered, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 1), to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund; and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan.
21st September, 1923.

(2.) Sir Arthur Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account, for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21st September, 1923, a.m.

The House adjourned at sixteen minutes before Two o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock p.m., This Day.

S. G. BOYDELL, 
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, 
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the chair.

VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF THE STATE IN THE SENATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a despatch which he has received from the President of the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia, dated the 27th instant, notifying that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of New South Wales in the said Senate, through the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th September, 1923.

"Your Excellency,—
"Pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of New South Wales in the Senate, through the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen, which occurred on the 14th September, 1923.
"I have the honor to be,
"Your Excellency's obedient Servant,
"(Signed) THOS. GIVENS,
"His Excellency, Sir William P. Cohen, K.C.M.G.,
"President of the Senate.

"Sydney, 27th September, 1923."

(2.) Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House meet the Legislative Council for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Sir George Fuller moved, That the following Message be forwarded to the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Assembly having resolved to meet the Legislative Council for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen, requests the Legislative Council to name the place and hour for such meeting.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th September, 1923.

Question put and passed.

2. PAPERS:—
Mr. Cavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations Nos. 286a and 385, and substituted Regulations Nos. 289 (1) and (2), 333, 333a, 333b, 335 to 346, and 349a under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of letter dated 12th June, 1923, from the Honorable the Prime Minister of Australia to the Acting Premier of New South Wales, respecting Resolutions passed by the New South Wales Legislative Assembly on 19th September, 1922, relating to a proposed New State.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Fisheries Department for 1922.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
3. **Messages from the Legislative Council:**—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) **Crown Lands Amendment (Disposal) Bill:**—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise as if such lands had been duly acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlements Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith,” returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.

(2.) **Public Service (Temporary Officers) Bill:**—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to authorise the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain returned soldiers, now or lately temporarily employed in such Service; to amend this Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith,” returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.

4. **Adjournment:**—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. McTiernan, one of the Honorable Members for Western Suburbs, a notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:

“The necessity for an immediate investigation by the Government into the methods employed by tenderers for public contracts in relation to their tenders.”

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr. McTiernan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

5. **Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time.

Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.

6. **Public Roads (Amendment) Bill:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a third time.

Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.

7. **Crown Purchases Vesting Bill:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a third time.

Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.

8. **Closer Settlement Purchases Validation Bill:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a third time.

Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

**FRED. FLOWERS,**<br>President.
9. CROWN LANDS PURCHASE VALIDATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a third time. Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to validate a certain additional conditional purchase made by John Kame,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 27th September, 1923.

10. OBSERVATORY PARK WEATHER BUREAU SITE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued. Question put and passed. Bill read a third time. Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Commonwealth of Australia to occupy and use a certain portion of Observatory Park for the purpose of the erection and maintenance thereon of a Weather Bureau; to amend the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 27th September, 1923.

11. REGISTRATION OF STOCK BRANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Registration of Stock Brands Act, 1921, in certain respects. Debate ensued. Question put and passed. (2.) Captain Chaffey then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Registration of Stock Brands Act, 1921, in certain respects,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

12. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.

13. VETERINARY SURCHARGES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Captain Chaffey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Question put and passed. Bill read a second time. On motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

14. SUPPLY BILL:—Mr. 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 towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 27th September, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADVERTISEMENT HOARDINGS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

A.BOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES.—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Lee—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Botany.
(2.) By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Parramatta.
(3.) By Mr. Goldstein—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs.

Petitions received.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Sir George Fuller:—

(1.) Supply Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by law,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 2nd October, 1923.

(2.) Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the enforcement in New South Wales of maintenance orders made in England and Ireland and certain other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates, and vice versa,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 2nd October, 1923.
(3.) Crown Lands Amendment (Disposal) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN.

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of lands acquired by purchase or otherwise, as if such lands had been duly acquired under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd October, 1923.

By Mr. Ley,—

(4.) Auctioneers Licensing (Amendment) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN.

Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make certain alterations in the law relating to auctioneers; to authorise the issue of auctioneers' licenses for New South Wales to auctioneers resident in other States of the Commonwealth of Australia; to amend the Auctioneers Licensing Act, 1898, and the Sydney Corporation Act of 1902; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 28th September, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Baddeley, one of the Honorable Members for Newcastle, a Notice under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz:—"The closing down of the West Wallsend Colliery, thereby throwing out of employment four hundred and fifty employees." And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put and negatived.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn. Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at one minute after Nine o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,

Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Morrow:

(1.) From the Council of the Municipality of Granville.
(2.) From the Municipality of Auburn.
(3.) From the Council of the Municipality of Lidcombe.
(4.) From the Council of the Municipality of Bankstown.
(5.) From the Granville East Progress Association.
(6.) From the Wentworthville Progress Association.
(7.) From the Toongabbie Progress Association.
(8.) From the Pendle Hill Progress Association.
(9.) From the Wentworthville Soldiers' Settlement Progress Association.
(10.) From the Upper Bankstown Progress Association.
(11.) From the Ryde Progress Association.
(12.) From the North Bankstown Progress Association.
(13.) From the Salt Pan Progress Association.

Petitions received.

2. ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Ness presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of Western Suburbs, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

3. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:

By Sir George Fuller:

(1.) Public Service (Temporary Officers) Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intitled "An Act to authorise the appointment as permanent officers of the Public Service certain returned soldiers, now or lately temporarily employed in such Service; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd October, 1923.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
3rd October, 1923.

By Sir Arthur Cocks,—

(2.) Income Tax (Commonwealth Collection) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to authorise the making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State of the income tax payable in the State under Commonwealth law, and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement; to amend the Income Tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 3rd October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. McTiernan, one of the Honourable Members for Western Suburbs, a Notice, under the 40th Standing Order, that he desired to move the Adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:— "The recent proceedings under the Poisons Act in connection with the sale of drugs,"—

And the Motion for the Adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,—

Mr. McTiernan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

5. FORESTRY ACT, 1916—REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF STATE FORESTS:—Mr. Wearne moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Forestry Act, 1916, this House agrees to the revocation of the dedication of the State Forests indicated in the Schedule hereunder:—

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Question put and passed.

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Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
7. CONVEYANCING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lee moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put, — "That the Question be now put."
The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkus, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Bagmati, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bruntell, Lieut. Colonel Buxton, Mr. Buttkesaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaifey, Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Cronanty, Mr. Dee, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott Ellott, Sir Thomas Hemsley, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jaynes, Mr. Kepplestrach, Mr. Lam., Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Ly, Mr. Meningham, Mr. Morris, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Noss, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Tewbry, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Walker, Mr. Warne, Mr. Wilson, Tellers, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Goldstein.

Mr. George Cunn, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Fishmore, Mr. Hargreaves, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lanzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. James McGregor, Mr. McTirman, Mr. Moleworth, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. O'Hearn, Mr. Quirk, Mr. W. J. Scally, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Tellers, Mr. William Davis, Mr. Skelton.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Question put and passed.
The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Arkus, Mr. Lee, Mr. Davenport,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ley, Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Longtin, Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Flanagan,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Huntington,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark P. Morton, Mr. Keen,
Mr. Braithwaite, Mr. Ness, Mr. Lasauni,
Lient.-Col. Brunner, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Longdon,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Vincent, Mr. McElhane,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Walker, Mr. McTierman,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Warne, Mr. Melanworth,
Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Mack,
Mr. Cramerty, Tellers, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Doig, Mr. Lane, Mr. O'Harrow,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Scott Fall, Mr. Phillips, Mr. W. J. Scully,
Mr. Fitzmaurice, Mr. Skeffington, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Goldstein, Tellers, Mr. James McGirr,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. James Murray,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Jaques,

Noses, 31.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Lee, Mr. Davenport,
Mr. Ley, Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Longtin, Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Missingham, Mr. Flanagan,
Mr. Morrow, Mr. Huntington,
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Mr. Walker, Mr. McTierman,
Mr. Warne, Mr. Melanworth,
Mr. Wilson, Mr. Mack,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. O'Harrow,
Mr. O'Harrow, Mr. W. J. Scully,
Mr. Skeffington, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. James McGirr, Mr. James Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bavin the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

8. TRANSFER OF RECORDS BILL:—The Order of the day having been read,—Mr. Bavin 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. Bavin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

9. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the
Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration
of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after midnight,—

THURSDAY, 4 OCTOBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit
again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at Fourteen Minutes before Four o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock p.m., This
Day.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 4 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of taxable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed, were presented by the members named:

(1.) By Mr. Greig—From the Abbotsford Ratepayers’ and Residents’ Association.
(2.) By Mr. Greig—From the East Hyde Progress Association.
(3.) By Mr. Greig—From the Sunnyside Progress Association.
(4.) By Mr. Greig—From the Australian Labour Party—Five Dock Branch.
(5.) By Mr. Greig—From Hyde Electoral Council—Australian Labour Party.
(6.) By Mr. William Davies—From Nepean Shire Council.

Petitions received.

MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:

By Sir George Fuller,—

(1.) Public Roads (Amendment) Bill:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Public Roads Act, 1902; to validate certain notifications purporting to be made under the provisions of that Act; and for other purposes incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

(2.) Closer Settlement Purchases Validation Bill:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to validate certain Settlement Purchases; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

(3.)
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
4th October, 1923.

(3.) Crown Lands Purchase Validation Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to validate a certain additional conditional purchase made by John Kane,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

(4.) Crown Purchases Vesting Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to declare that certain lands purchased by the Crown were vested in the Crown, and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

(5.) Observatory Park Weather Bureau Site Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Commonwealth of Australia to occupy and use a certain portion of Observatory Park for the purpose of the erection and maintenance thereon of a Weather Bureau, to amend the Sydney Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1908; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

(6.) Bank of New South Wales Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales," and for other purposes therein mentioned"; and "An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of New South Wales"; and for other purposes therein mentioned,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

By Mr. J. C. J. Fitzpatrick,—

(7.) Police Regulation (Appeals) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making a provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to constitute a Police Appeal Board, and to make provision for the reference to such Board of appeals by members of the police force; to amend the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF THE STATE IN THE SENATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council.—

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council, having taken into consideration the Legislative Assembly's Message, dated 27th September, 1923, agrees to meet the Assembly for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen, in this Chamber, on Wednesday, 17th October, 1923, at Five o'clock p.m.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923,
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
4. PAPERS:
Mr. Ley laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return of transactions for 1922, with Comparative Statements for the years 1912 to 1922 inclusive, under Statutes administered by the Registrar-General.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations and Amended Forms under the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. ADJOURNMENT:
Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Davidson, one of the Honourable Members for Start, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a definite Matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—

'The expressed intention of the Government to appoint a Commission from outside Australia to exhaustively inquire into the railways of New South Wales.'

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,
Mr. Davidson moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Ley moved,—That the Question be now put.
Question put,—"That the Question be now put."
The House divided.

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Quirk, Mr. William Davison, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Gossling, Tellers, Mr. Hoskington, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Kenny, Mr. Skelton.

Mr. Ley moved,—That the Question be now put.
Question put,—"That the Question be now put."
The House divided.

Ayes, 29. Noes, 42.
Mr. Arkless, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ball, Mr. Benn, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Bray, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mayor, Mr. Marks, Mr. McKechnie, Mr. James McPherson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Lorenzini, Mr. Long, Mr. McPherson, Mr. MeEwan, Mr. Morgan, Mr. O'Brian, Mr. O'Hearn, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. William Davison, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne.

Mr. Fitzsimons, Teller, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Horsington, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lee, Mr. Loxton, Mr. MeEwan, Mr. Main, Mr. McTiernan, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mulcran, Mr. Ness, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Perdriau, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Lieut.-Col. Rutledge, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Walker, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Wilson.

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And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."

And Mr. Davidson having spoken in reply.

Question put,—"That this House do now adjourn," The House divided.

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Question,—That this Bill be now read a third time,—put and passed.
Bill read a third time.
Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

Mr. President,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law with regard to easements of air; and for that purpose to amend the Conveyancing Act, 1919,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

8. Transfer of Records Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Davin, read a third time.
Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

Mr. President,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer of certain records from the Supreme Court to the office of the Registrar-General; to amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1928, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

9. Veterinary Surgeons Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill. On motion of Captain Chaffey, the report was adopted.
Ordered, that the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

10. Local Government (Advertisement Holdings) Amendment Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill. And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,

FRIDAY, 5 OCTOBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.
Ordered, that the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

11. Police Regulation (Appeals) Bill:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, moved pursuant to Notice, That the Police Regulation (Appeals) Bill, which was introduced in the Assembly during a previous Session of the present Parliament, but was interrupted before its completion, by the close of the Session, be now reintroduced at the stage it had reached at the time of such interruption.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Bill be further considered in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next.

12. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present,—
Mr. Speaker counted the House, and there being only Thirteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely,—Mr. Davidson, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Godling, Mr. Holf, Mr. Horsington, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Lang, Mr. James McGirr, Mr. Molensworth, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Quirk, and Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at Twenty minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
TUESDAY, 9 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Parramatta.
(2.) By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Parramatta.
(3.) By Mr. Jacques—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs.
(4.) By Mr. Hoskins—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Western Suburbs.
(5.) By Mr. George Cann—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.
(6.) By Mr. George Cann—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.

Petitions received.

2. WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—Mr. Greig presented a Petition from the Chatswood Branch of the Australian Labour Party representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive; and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as municipal rates are imposed.

Petition received.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Papers regarding charges against Mr. J. P. Lloyd, Inspector of Examiners, and Leading Examiner Wilson, of the Railway Department.
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. W. T. Anderson as Engineering Draftsman, First Grade, Department of Public Works.
(3.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. K. Ross as Supervising Engineer, First Grade, Department of Public Works.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Brunton laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Department of Labour and Industry on the working of the Factories and Shops Act for 1922.
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. D. Humphrey as Teacher of Electrical Trades, Technical Education Branch, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
9th October, 1923.

4. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker,—

By Mr. Warren,—

(1.) Forest Vale (Share Farmers) Enabling Bill:—

W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the disposal of certain lands on the Forest Vale Estate, acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to validate certain leases and agreements; to confer preferential rights on certain occupiers and lessees; to amend the Closer Settlement Act, 1904, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Sir George Fuller,—

(2.) Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill:—

W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to confer additional powers on the Public Trustee; to amend the Public Trustee Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 4th October, 1923.

5. Basic Wage Computation:—Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Basic Wage recently declared is totally inadequate to keep a man, his wife, and two children, the computation of same being based upon a fictitious basis, and should be fixed at a much higher rate.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 23rd October.

6. Marriage (Amendment) Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Main moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Marriage Act of 1899 in certain respects.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Main then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Marriage Act of 1899 in certain respects,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 6th November.

7. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

8. Claims of Mr. George H. Dingle against the Railway Commissioners:—Mr. Walker moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the claims of Mr. George H. Dingle against the Railway Commissioners, for services rendered during the years 1919 and 1920.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Molesworth, Mr. Ness, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Anderson, Major Connell, Mr. Fitzsimons, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

9. Administration of the Estate of the Late Thomas Steele Grehan, of Quirindi:—Mr. Dooley moved pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the estate of the late Thomas Steele Grehan, of Quirindi.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ley, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Greig, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Loughlin, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

10. Claims of Mr. J. J. Hickey, Recently Retired from the Department of Public Instruction:—

Mr. Lazzarini moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims of Mr. J. J. Hickey, recently retired from the Department of Public Instruction to a retiring allowance.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Brumell, Mr. Keogan, Mr. Wilson, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. McTernan, Major Connell, Mr. Vincent, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
11. **Conduct and Administration of Pony Racing:**—Mr. O'Halloran moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the conduct and administration of Pony Racing in this State, with particular reference to the advisability of having such placed on a non-proprietary basis.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Main, Mr. Craig, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Jacques, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

Question put and voices given,—Mr. Speaker stated his opinion that the "Ayes" had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were four Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz. — Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Lane, Mr. Ley, and Mr. Skelton.

12. **Precedence of Business on Tuesdays (Sessional Order):—** Sir George Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, General Business shall take precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays until 6.30 a.m., and after that hour Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.

Debate ensued.

Question put. The House divided.

- Ayes, 40.
  - Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane, Mr. Raddeley, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Jacques, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Jacques, Mr. Goldstein.

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  - Mr. Raddeley, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Jacques, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lee, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Skelton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

13. **Child Welfare Bill:**—

(1.) Mr. Bruntnell moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to children.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bruntnell then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to children,"—which was read a first time.

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

14. **Adjournment:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twenty-five minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
WEDNESDAY, 10 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Fitzsimons presented a Petition from certain Electors of the Electoral District of Cumberland, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. GOVERNOR DESIGNATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—Sir George Fuller informed the House that the Lieutenant-Governor had received a cablegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that His Majesty the King had been pleased to approve of the appointment of Admiral Sir Dudley Rawson Stratford de Chair, K.C.B., as Governor of New South Wales.

3. HORSE-BREEDING BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Captain Chaffey, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. CULLIN.
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to improve the breed of horses; to provide for the inspection and registration of stallions, and for the issue of certificates in respect of stallions which are sound and of an approved standard; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

4. PAPERS:

Mr. Beutnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1922.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations No. 114a and 291a under the Public Service Act, 1902.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Rule under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and the Police Regulation (Superannuation) Act, 1906.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for year ended 30th June, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
5. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Captain Chaffey moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Flannery moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word “That,” and inserting the words “the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 5”—instead thereof.

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

Debate continued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jaques,
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lazenby,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Main,
Mr. Bentnell, Mr. Manningham,
Mr. Bantry, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Neath,
Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Neve,
Mr. Crompton, Mr. Perdrix,
Mr. Drummond, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Scott Bell, Lord-Gal. Rutledge,
Mr. J. C. Fitzpatrick, Dr. Shepherd,
Mr. Fleshamous, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wessan,
Mr. Grim, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Hankey, Tellers,
Mr. Bill, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Perkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That this Bill be now read a third time—put and passed.

Ordered, 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 provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science, and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th October, 1923.

6. INCOME TAX (COMMONWEALTH) COLLECTION BILL:—
(1.) Sir Arthur Cooks moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State of the income tax payable in the State under Commonwealth law, and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement; to amend the Income Tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

(2.) Sir Arthur Cooks then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to authorise the making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State of the income tax payable in the State under Commonwealth law, and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement; to amend the Income Tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,”—which was read a first time.

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

7. CHILD WELFARE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bentnell 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. Bentnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at Five minutes after Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. Arkins:—

(1.) From the Municipality of Hurstville.
(2.) From the Municipality of Kogarah.
(3.) From the Bankstown East Progress Association.
(4.) From the Municipality of Canterbury.

Petitions received.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Brunthwaite laid upon the Table the following paper:—Papers respecting inquiry held by Mr. W. M. Enchlaan, Special Magistrate, Children's Court, Sydney, regarding punishment of Joseph Buryliss, Gosford Farm Home for Boys.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. DEPUTY-SPEAKER'S COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission, under the Public Seal of the State, dated this sixth day of October, 1923, and signed by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, empowering Robert Bruce Walker, 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,—which Commission, by direction of Mr. Speaker, was read by the Acting Clerk, as follows:—

"By His Excellency The Honorable Sir William Portus Cullen, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Lieutenant-Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir William Portus Cullen, as Lieutenant-Governor of the State of New South Wales, do hereby authorise Robert Bruce Walker, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, 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 His Majesty the King, required by law to be taken or made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall be permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

"Given under my Hand and the Public Seal of the State, at Sydney, in the State of New South Wales aforesaid, this sixth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and in the fourteenth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth.

"W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"GEORGE W. FULLER."
4. ANNOUNCEMENT.—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. Stuart-Robertson, one of the Honourable Members for Ballmain, a Notice, under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz.:—“The failure of the Railway Department to pay the Basic Wage increases from date of publication.”

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,—

Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, that this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. J. L. Fitzpatrick moved.—“That the Question be now put.

Question put.—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided. Ayes, 43.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick.

Mr. Babidiney, Mr. Molesworth.

Mr. Bale, Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. George Cane, Mr. O'Halloran.

Mr. Clark, Mr. O'Hearns.

Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Quirk.

Mr. Dawson, Mr. Ratcliffe.

Mr. William Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Mr. Dooley, Tellers.

Mr. Fitzsimons, Tellers.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Tellers.

Mr. Lazzarini.

Mr. Logan, Mr. McGirr.

Mr. McCullough, Mr. McKell.

Mr. McKellar, Mr. McKernan.

Mr. McNeill, Mr. Kilpatrick.

Mr. Motesworth.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of at least thirty Members,—

And Mr. Stuart-Robertson having spoken in reply,—

Question put.—“That this House do now adjourn.”

The House divided. Ayes, 33.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick.

Mr. Babidiney, Mr. Molesworth.

Mr. Bale, Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Mitchell.

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Mr. Logan, Mr. McGirr.

Mr. McCullough, Mr. McKell.

Mr. McNeill, Mr. McKernan.

Mr. Motesworth.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the Sixth Report from the Printing Committee.

6. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 12 OCTOBER, 1923, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ley, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.
7. Income Tax (Commonwealth) Collection Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Sir Arthur Cocks moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Molesworth moved, That Sir Arthur Cocks, one of the Honorable Members for North Shore, be not further heard.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 21.
Mr. Clark, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Captain Dunn, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Hornington, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McEachrnan, Mr. James McGregor, Mr. McKell, Mr. Molesworth, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Skelton.

Tellers,
Mr. Gurney, Mr. Keegan.

And so it was passed in the affirmative.

Sir Arthur Cocks continued his speech.

Debate ensued.

Lieut.-Colonel Brusner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lee moved, That Mr. Molesworth, one of the Honorable Members for Cumberland, be not further heard.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 36.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkie, Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bagnall, Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Scott Bull, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Grigor, Mr. Horsington, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. James McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Molesworth, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Ratcliffe.

Tellers,
Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—That the Question be now put.
The House divided.

Ayes. 38.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Brunton, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Lient.-Col. Bunner, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. Nest,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Perkins,
Sir Arthur Cocks, Lient.-Col. Rollo,
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stephford,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thoby,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Grim, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Jackson, Tellers,
Mr. Knights, Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Perkins.

Noes. 24.

Mr. Clark, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Major Connell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Davison, Tellers,
Captain Dunn, Mr. Fitzsimonds,
Mr. Keegan, Tellers,
Mr. Flamney, Mr. Gosting,
Mr. Greg, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Horvington, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Lang, Mr. McCulland,
Mr. Lazenby, Mr. McKelle,
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McKellar,
Mr. James McGirr, Mr. McNeill,
Mr. McCell, Mr. Molesworth,
Mr. Peal, Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Mutel, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. James McGirr, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was re-solved in the affirmative.

Sir Arthur Cocks moved, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Brunthell moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes. 38.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Main,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Brunton, Mr. Nest,
Lient.-Col. Bunner, Mr. Perkins,
Sir Arthur Cocks, Lient.-Col. Rollo,
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Mr. Clark, Mr. Quirk,
Major Connell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Davison, Tellers,
Captain Dunn, Mr. James McGirr,
Mr. Gosting, Mr. Ratcliffe.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—"That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday next."

The House divided.

Ayes. 38.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Main,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Brunton, Mr. Nest,
Lient.-Col. Bunner, Mr. Perkins,
Sir Arthur Cocks, Lient.-Col. Rollo,
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stephford,
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Noes. 24.

Mr. Clark, Mr. Quirk,
Major Connell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Davison, Tellers,
Captain Dunn, Mr. James McGirr,
Mr. Gosting, Mr. Ratcliffe.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lee moved, That Captain Dunn, one of the Honorable Members for Wammerawa, be not further heard.

Question put.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzgerald moved, That the Question be now put. Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

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And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn. The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at four minutes before Eight o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock, p.m.

S. G. BOYD, Act-Ing Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. J. Haques—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs.
(2.) By Mr. Fitzsimons—From certain residents of Hornsby.
(3.) By Mr. Goldstein—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs.

Petitions received.

2. PAPERS:

Mr. Loy laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return showing particulars of children serving sentences in gaol on 10th October, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. C. Brown as Supervising Engineer, 2nd Grade, Department of Public Works.
(3.) Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. P. Leathley as Assistant Engineer, Department of Public Works.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations and substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. CO-OPERATION, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL:—The following Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. Bavin and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the law relating to co-operation; to provide for the formation, registration and management of co-operative societies, including rural societies, trading societies, community settlement societies, community advancement societies, building societies, rural credit societies, urban credit societies, investment societies, and associations and unions of societies; to provide for an advisory council; and to repeal the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, and to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
4. CASE OF WILLIAM MORRIS, OF FOREST LODGE:—Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(I.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of William Morris, of Forest Lodge, arising out of an action, Morris v. Terkin, for compensation for injury, in accordance with the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Bavin, Mr. McKernan, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Lane, Mr. Molesworth, Captain Dunn, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Vincent, and the Mover.

(3.) That such Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.

Debate ensued.

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 20th November, 1923.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted 9th October, 1923.

5. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Sir George Fuller made a statement to the House in reference to the Land Settlement and Migration Proposals of the Government.

Mr. Lang and Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner also addressed the House.

6. INCOME TAX (COMMONWEALTH) COLLECTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, “That this Bill be now read a second time.”

And the Question being again proposed.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported a Point of Order from the Committee, and obtained leave to sit again as soon as the Point of Order had been decided by the House.

Point of Order:—That the Chairman was in error in ruling that no amendment could be made to the Agreement contained in the Schedule to the Bill.

The Chairman stated that the Honorable Member (Mr. Lane) proposed to move an amendment to the Agreement contained in the Schedule of the Bill, and refused to allow any amendment to be made in the Agreement.

Debate ensued:

Mr. Speaker said that it would be against all precedents, and against all rules of convenience to allow any amendment to be made to the executed Agreement which constituted the Schedule to this Bill.

He therefore upheld the ruling of the Chairman.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments, and an amended Title.

Sir Arthur Cocks moved, “That the report be now adopted.”

Mr. Loughlin moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word “That,” and inserting the words “the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 3,”—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question,—That the report be now adopted,—put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at Twenty minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. ROYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licences.—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licences constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by Mr. Ness:—

(1.) From certain residents of the Electoral District of Western Suburbs.
(2.) From certain residents of the Electoral District of Western Suburbs.

Petitions received.

2. Papers:

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amended Regulation under the Closer Settlement Acts.
(2.) Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the Dedication of Certain lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

Report of the Migration Agreement Advisory Committee respecting the Imperial Migration Agreement.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

Amended Regulation and New Form under the Workmen’s Compensation (Lead Poisoning—Broken Hill) Act, 1922.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—Mr. Frank Burke, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan, relating to the Proposed New Jetty at Byron Bay.

Ordered to be printed.

4. Vacancy in the Representation of the State in the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that the time had arrived for this House to meet the Legislative Council in the Legislative Council Chamber, for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia, rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen.
(2.) The Order of the Day having been read, the House proceeded to the Legislative Council Chamber to meet the Legislative Council, and being returned,—

Sir George Fuller reported that this House met the Legislative Council in the Legislative Council Chamber, this day, for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward Davis Millen, and that Walter Many Greene, Esquire, was duly chosen to hold the vacant place.
5. INCOME TAX (COMMONWEALTH) COLLECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time.
Ordered 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 making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State of the income tax payable in the State under Commonwealth law, and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement, and make certain provisions as to compensation of officers of the Public Service who may be retired in pursuance of the agreement; to amend the Income Tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th October, 1923.

6. STOCK DISEASES BILL.—
(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relating to diseases in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Captain Chaffey then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill relating to diseases in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith”—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

7. PLANT DISEASES BILL.—
(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision to prevent the introduction into New South Wales of diseases and pests affecting plants or fruit; to provide for the eradication of such diseases and pests, and to prevent the spread thereof; to make certain provisions with regard to the sale and grading of fruit and vegetables; to provide for the registration of orchards and nurseries; to make certain provisions as to the growing of cotton; to repeal the Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912; to amend the Fruit Cases Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Captain Chaffey then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to make further provision to prevent the introduction into New South Wales of diseases and pests affecting plants or fruit; to provide for the eradication of such diseases and pests, and to prevent the spread thereof; to make certain provisions with regard to the sale and grading of fruit and vegetables; to provide for the registration of orchards and nurseries; to make certain provisions as to the growing of cotton; to repeal the vine and vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912; to amend the Fruit Cases Act, 1912; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith”—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

8. CHILD WELFARE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at Nine minutes after Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow at Four o’clock.

S. BOYDELL, DANIEL LEVY,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 18 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Jackson presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of Sydney, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
   (1.) Memorandum respecting the appointment of a Government representative on the Trust formed in connection with the Bellbird Disaster Fund.
   (2.) Memorandum respecting the proposed re-transfer from the Commonwealth to the State of the Randwick Rifle Range.
   (3.) Memorandum relating to the employment of labour in Country Districts at rates other than those fixed by arbitration awards.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. BOORABIRL COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill was, on the motion of Mr. Ravin, discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

4. CO-OPERATION, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL:—
   (1.) Mr. Ravin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to co-operation; to provide for the formation, registration, and management of co-operative societies, including rural societies, trading societies, community settlement societies, community advancement societies, building societies, rural credit societies, urban credit societies, investment societies, and associations and unions of societies; to provide for an advisory council; and to repeal the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, and to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ravin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the law relating to co-operation; to provide for the formation, registration, and management of co-operative societies, including rural societies, trading societies, community settlement societies, community advancement societies, building societies, rural credit societies, urban credit societies, investment societies, and associations and unions of societies; to provide for an advisory council; and to repeal the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, and to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee.

6. ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE, 1923-1924:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir Arthur Cocks, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the following:

(1.) Consolidated Revenue Fund.—Estimates of Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1923-1924.

(2.) Consolidated Revenue Fund.—Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to "Treasurer," 1922-1923, submitted for Parliamentary Appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.

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18th October, 1923.


State Government House, Sydney, 12th October, 1923.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates and Statements, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

7. Supply.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(2.) Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty a sum not exceeding £41,754 as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1923-24.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

8. WAYS AND MEANS.—(Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

9. PAPER:—Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Estimates of the Ways and Means of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1923-1924.

Ordered to be printed.

10. CHILD WELFARE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported a Point of Order from the Committee, and obtained leave to sit again so soon as the Point of Order had been decided by the House.

Point of Order:—That the Chairman was wrong in ruling that a proposed New Clause giving the Minister power in his discretion to grant relief in all deserving cases where need is shown to exist, was out of order on the grounds—(a) That it was outside the scope of the Bill; (b) that it was not covered or contemplated by the Message, and would impose an additional burden on the Crown.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker ruled that the proposed New Clause would so widen the scope of the Bill as to embrace cases of relief to people not contemplated, and for that reason went beyond the scope of the Bill. The Amendment would also impose an additional burden on the Crown.

He, therefore, upheld the ruling of the Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the Committee resumed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

Mr. Bruntnell moved, "That the report be now adopted.

Mr. Match moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 14," instead thereof.

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

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Lenox.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main.
Mr. Barrie, Mr. Musingham.
Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Monnor.
Lieut.-Col. Brunker, Mr. Nesbit.
Mr. Broughton, Mr. New.
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Pender.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Perkins.
Mr. Gernardy, Sir Charles Rosenthal.
Mr. Scott Find, Lieut.-C. R. Boulton.
Mr. J. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Skelton.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Thornby.
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Walker.
Mr. Gurney, Mr. Warren.
Sir Thomas Henley, Teller.
Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Kilpatrick.

Noes, 21.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Davidson, Teller.
Mr. Williams Davies, Mr. Clark.
Mr. Flannery, Mr. Quidch.
Mr. Horsington, Mr. Keogan.
Mr. Lazenby, Mr. Loughlin.
Mr. McMillan, Mr. McKell.
Mr. McNally, Mr. McTear.
Mr. Murray, Mr. O'Hara.
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Hearn.
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Stilart-Robertson.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Kilpatrick.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question.—That the report be now adopted.—put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

The House adjourned, at Twenty-five Minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY
Speaker
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

**ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:** The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:

1. By Mr. Gosling—From certain residents of Canterbury.
2. By Mr. Wilson—From certain residents of Marrickville.
3. By Mr. Arkins—From certain residents of Hurlstone Park.
4. By Mr. Fitzsimons—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Cumberland.
5. By Mr. Weaver—From certain residents of Mosman.

Petitions received.

2. **WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:** The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed, were presented by the Members named:

1. By Mr. Loxton—From the Malvern Hill Progress Association, Croydon.
2. By Mr. Loxton—From the Central Burwood Progress Association.
3. By Mr. Loxton—From the Putney and District Progress Association.
4. By Mr. Frank Burke—From the Council of the Municipality of Erskineville.
5. By Mr. Frank Burke—From the St. Peters Branch of the Australian Labour Party.
6. By Mr. Frank Burke—From the Municipality of St. Peters.
7. By Mr. William Davies—From the Council of the Municipality of Campbelltown.
8. By Mr. William Davies—From the Austinmer Branch of the Australian Labour Party.
9. By Mr. William Davies—From the Workers’ Industrial Union of Australia, Mount Pleasant Lodge.

Petitions received.

3. **MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:** The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:

By Mr. Oakes,—

1. **Dangerous Drugs Bill:**

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to regulate the manufacture, possession, supply and use of certain dangerous drugs; to amend the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 23rd October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

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23rd October, 1923.

By Sir Arthur Cocks,—

(2.) Supply Bill (No. 2):—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-24, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by loan.

State Government House,
Sydney, 22nd October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation and new Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amended Police Rule under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and the Police Regulation (Supernumeration) Act, 1906.
(2.) Amended Regulations under the Dentists Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

(4.) Information respecting the establishment and control of the State Trawling Industry in New South Wales and the disposal of the State trawlers.

Ordered to be printed.

Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Additional Regulation under the Irrigation Acts, 1912-1918.
(2.) Amended Regulation under the Fruit Cases Act, 1912.
(3.) Amended Regulations under the Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. BASIC WAGE COMPUTATION:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr Stuart-Robertson, "That, in the opinion of this House, the Basic Wage recently declared is totally inadequate to keep a man, his wife, and two children, the computation of same being based upon a fictitious basis, and should be fixed at a much higher rate,"

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 4th December.

And it being Half-past Six o'clock, Government business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted 9th October, 1923.

6. HUNTER DISTRICT WATER AND SEWERAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for water supply, sewerage, and drainage for the Hunter District; to amend the Hunter District Water and Sewerage Acts 1892-1906; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make further provision for water supply, sewerage, and drainage for the Hunter District; to amend the Hunter District Water and Sewerage Acts 1892-1906; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

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

7. DUBBO GAS AND ELECTRICITY FRANCHISE BILL:—

(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gas Works, and to grant permission under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns, to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to enable the Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gas Works, and to grant permission under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns, to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

8. CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McFarland moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow,
9. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL.—

(1.) Mr. Ley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, in certain respects; to validate the formation of existing dioceses, and to sanction the existing boundaries thereof; to provide for the formation of new dioceses, and for the alteration of boundaries of dioceses; to validate conveyances of trust property of the Church of England in certain cases; to waive conditions of forfeiture in Crown grants of trust property of the Church of England; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ley then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, in certain respects; to validate the formation of existing dioceses, and to sanction the existing boundaries thereof; to provide for the formation of new dioceses, and for the alteration of boundaries of dioceses; to validate conveyances of trust property of the Church of England in certain cases; to waive conditions of forfeiture in Crown grants of trust property of the Church of England; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

10. REGISTRATION OF STOCK BRANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Captain Chaffey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Arthur, Mr. Reginald, Mr. Ball, Mr.aval, Mr. Bennett, Lieut.-Col. Brumner, Mr. Brittonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Mr. Cronyn, Mr. Do, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. J. G. L. Elyea, Mr. Fitzsimons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson, Mr. James, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lane, Mr. Ley, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Main, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Moreton, Mr. Mark F. Morten, Mr. Nesbit, Mr. Perkins, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Lieut.-Col. Rosledge, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Wilson, Tolmers, Mr. Ness, Dr. Stanford.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Captain Dunn, Mr. Faunery, Mr. Greig, Mr. Hemington, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lawrims, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. James McGirr, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. O'Keeffe, Mr. Stuart-Robertson Tolmers, Mr. Clark, Mr. O'Hearn.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at two minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 24 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses.—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Lazzarini—From the Marrickville Branch of the Next Step Movement.
(2.) By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of Auburn and Lidcombe.
(3.) By Mr. Lang—From certain residents of Auburn and Lidcombe.

Petitions received.

2. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Ball,—
(1.) George’s River Bridge Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a bridge across George’s River, to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 23rd October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By Mr. Oakes,—
(2.) Bread (Amendment) Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 24th October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. Dubbo Gas and Electricity Franchise Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.
4. **Child Welfare Bill**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bruntnell moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 consolidate certain Acts relating to children,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24th October, 1923.

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5. **Bread (Amendment) Bill:**

(1.) Mr. Oakes moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put, "That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

**Ayes, 43.**

- Mr. Anderson
- Mr. Arkins
- Dr. Arthur
- Mr. Bagnall
- Mr. Bavm
- Mr. Bennett
- Mr. Bruntnell
- Lieut.-Col. Bruscer
- Mr. Cameron
- Captain Chaffey
- Sir Arthur Cocks
- Mr. Crossarty
- Mr. Doe
- Mr. Scott Fell
- Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick
- Mr. George Fuller
- Mr. Goldstein
- Sir Thomas Henley
- Mr. Hill
- Mr. Hoskins
- Mr. Jackson
- Mr. Jacques
- Mr. Kilpatrick
- Mr. Oakes
- Mr. O’Halloran
- Mr. O’Hearn
- Mr. O’Brien
- Mr. Bailey
- Mr. Birt
- Mr. George Cann
- Mr. W. J. Scully
- Major Connell
- Mr. Skelton
- Mr. Davidson
- Mr. William Davies
- Mr. Dooley
- Mr. Fitzgerald
- Mr. Flannery
- Mr. Goshug
- Mr. Horisonset
- Mr. Keegan
- Mr. Lang
- Mr. Lazzarini
- Mr. Longbin
- Mr. McErlan
- Mr. James McErlan
- Mr. McKell
- Mr. McErlan
- Mr. D. Murray
- Mr. Mitch
- Mr. O’Hilloran

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(2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts and for purposes connected therewith,"—and moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 44.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Perdrigue,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Baguadl, Sir Charles Rossenthal,
Mr. Bavil, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Barnett, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Brunstehl, Mr. Warne,
Lieu.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Maitenham, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Cameron, Tellers,
Mr. Arthur Cook, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Cormarty, Mr. Stopford.

Noes, 31.
Mr. Baddeley,
Mr. Bailey,
Mr. Birt,
Mr. George Cunn,
Mr. Clarke,
Major Connell,
Mr. Charles Isabel Shaw,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Goodey,
Mr. Harrington,
Mr. Keagan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzarin,
Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. McElligott,
Mr. McColl,
Mr. McEwen,
Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Mutch,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Rosenthal,
Mr. Skelton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a first time.
Mr. Oakes then moved, That the Bill be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Perdrigue,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Baguadl, Sir Charles Rossenthal,
Mr. Bavil, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Barnett, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Brunstehl, Mr. Warne,
Lieu.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Maitenham, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Cameron, Tellers,
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Mr. Baddeley,
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Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzarin,
Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. McElligott,
Mr. McColl,
Mr. McEwen,
Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Mutch,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Rosenthal,
Mr. Skelton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6. JUVENILE MIGRANTS APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. Bavin and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants; to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 24th October, 1923.

Mr. Bavin moved,—That the Message be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Archer, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Main,
Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Hamilton,
Lieut-Col. Brownsberger, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Buttersworth, Mr. Noon,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. New,
Captains Chaffey, Mr. Paddison,
Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Cromarty, Sir Charles Rossieuth,
Mr. Dee, Lieut-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Scott Fall, Mr. Stopford,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Warne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Tellers,
Mr. Jenkins, Tellers,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Jagiell,
Mr. Jacques, Mr. Lane.

And it was resolved in the affirmative.

7. Royal Commissions Bill:—
(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. Bavin, and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker.

W. P. Cullen,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1903, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the law relating to Royal Commissions; to repeal the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 24th October 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Mr. Bavin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued.

(3.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the law relating to Royal Commissions; to repeal the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. Juvenile Migrants Apprenticeship Bill:—
(1.) Mr. Bavin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants; to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued.

Mr. Warne moved, That the Question be now put. Question put—"That the Question be now put." The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Archer, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Main,
Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Hamilton,
Lieut-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Morrow,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. New,
Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Paddison,
Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Dee, Sir Charles Rossieuth,
Mr. Scott Fall, Lieut-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Stopford,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Vincent,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Warne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Tellers,
Mr. Jackson, Tellers,
Mr. Jacques, Mr. Arkie,
Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Cameron.

And it appearing by the Tellers Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."
9. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Sir Arthur Cocks moved, pursuant to Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan," being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.
Mr. Arkink, Mr. Lane
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Loxton
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Muddle
Mr. Bruntzill, Mr. Morrow
Lient.-Col. Braxton, Mr. Nash
Mr. Cammerson, Mr. New
Captain Chafer, Mr. Petdr
Sir Arthur Coullet, Mr. Perkins
Mr. Covenarty, Sir Charles Rosebalh
Mr. Dunn, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stepford
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent
Mr. Vitasimmon, Mr. Wears
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson
Sir Thomas Honley, Tellers
Mr. Bill, Tellers
Mr. Jaques, Tellers
Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Jackson
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill, intituled "The House divided.

Mr. Bavin then moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lane
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lee
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Ley
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Muddle
Mr. Bruntzill, Mr. Morrow
Lient.-Col. Braxton, Mr. Nash
Mr. Cammerson, Mr. New
Captain Chafer, Mr. Petdr
Sir Arthur Coullet, Mr. Perkins
Mr. Covenarty, Sir Charles Rosebalh
Mr. Dunn, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stepford
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent
Mr. Vitasimmon, Mr. Wears
Sir George Fuller, Tellers
Sir Thomas Honley, Tellers
Mr. Bill, Mr. Anderson
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Jackson
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bavin then moved, That the Bill be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.
Mr. Arkink, Mr. Jaques
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lane
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lee
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Ley
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Muddle
Mr. Bruntzill, Mr. Morrow
Lient.-Col. Braxton, Mr. Nash
Mr. Cammerson, Mr. New
Captain Chafer, Mr. Petdr
Sir Arthur Coullet, Mr. Perkins
Mr. Covenarty, Sir Charles Rosebalh
Mr. Dunn, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge
Mr. Scott Fell, Dr. Stepford
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent
Mr. Vitasimmon, Mr. Wears
Sir George Fuller, Tellers
Sir Thomas Honley, Tellers
Mr. Bill, Mr. Goldstein
Mr. Jaques, Dr. Stepford
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

9. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Sir Arthur Cocks moved, pursuant to Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan," being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.
Mr. Arkink, Mr. Lane
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Loxton
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Muddle
Mr. Bruntzill, Mr. Morrow
Lient.-Col. Braxton, Mr. Nash
Mr. Cammerson, Mr. New
Captain Chafer, Mr. Petdr
Sir Arthur Coullet, Mr. Perkins
Mr. Covenarty, Sir Charles Rosebalh
Mr. Dunn, Lieut.-Col. Rutledge
Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Vincent
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent
Mr. Vitasimmon, Mr. Weaver
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wilson
Mr. Goldstein, Tellers
Sir Thomas Honley, Tellers
Mr. Bill, Mr. Kilpatrick
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Misningam
And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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10. **SUPPLY**—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

**THURSDAY, 25 OCTOBER, 1923, a.m.**

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Loxton, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again.

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Temporary Chairman, That the Report be now received.

The Temporary Chairman then reported the Resolution, which was read as follows:

(3.) Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty:

(a) A sum not exceeding £2,253,000, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the State during the month of November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1924, to be expended at the rates which are shown on the Estimates for the financial year ending 30th June, 1924, as laid upon the Table of the House, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1923-1924.

(b) A sum not exceeding £32,300, payable out of the Public Works Fund in anticipation of Votes (as set forth in Schedule A of the Bill).

(c) A sum not exceeding £628,300, payable out of the General Loan Account in anticipation of Loan Votes (as set forth in Schedule B of the Bill).

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

11. **WAYS AND MEANS**—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Loxton, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Temporary Chairman, That the Report be now received.

The Temporary Chairman then reported the Resolution, which was read, as follows:

(3.) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the financial year 1923-1924, the sum of £2,913,600 be granted, viz. —£2,253,000 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £32,300 out of the Public Works Fund, and £628,300 out of the General Loan Account.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

12. **SUPPLY BILL (No. 2):**

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 3), to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund; and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan.

(2.) Sir Arthur Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund; and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Loxton, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 25th October, 1923, a.m.

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

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed, were presented by Mr. Loughlin on behalf of Mr. Butt:—

(1.) From the Darling Harbour Branch of the Australian Labour Party.
(2.) From the Shop Assistants and Warehouse Employees' Federation of Australia, New South Wales Branch.

Petitions received.

2. ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Hoskins—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Western Suburbs.
(2.) By Mr. George Cann—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.

Petitions received.

3. DEATH OF WARREN HARDING, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt, from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, of the following communication relative to the Resolution of Sympathy, passed by the Legislative Assembly on the occasion of the death of President Harding, which he read to the House as under:—

Government House, Sydney, 23rd October, 1923.

Sir,—

With reference to the despatch addressed by the late Sir Walter Davidson to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, requesting the transmission of a resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly on the occasion of the death of President Harding, I have now the honor to state that I have received a communication from His Excellency the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia conveying, in compliance with the request of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the expression of thanks of Mrs. Harding and of the United States Government, for the sympathy of the Assembly in connection with the death of President Harding. This Message was communicated in the note from the United States Secretary of State to His Majesty's representative at Washington, dated 20th August, 1923, copy of which is enclosed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

The Honorable W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

"Department of State, Washington, 20th August, 1923.

"Sir,— I beg to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. 688 of August 14th, 1923, informing me "that the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, Australia, "recently unanimously passed a resolution expressing to Mrs. Harding the deepest sympathy on "behalf of themselves and the people of the State, on the occasion of the death of the late "President.

"Mrs.
Keisling, who regrets her inability personally to acknowledge this greatly appreciated Message, desires me to convey through you her heartfelt thanks to the Council and Assembly for the kind expression of sympathy.

Desiring to associate myself with Mrs. Harding in her expression of thanks, I should be grateful if you would state to the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly that this Government is deeply touched by their friendly Message of sympathy in this hour of the country's sorrow.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurance of my high consideration.

(Signed) CHARLES E. HUGHES.

Mr. Henry Getty Chilton,
"Chargé d'Affaires ad Interim,
"of Great Britain."

4. PAPERS:—

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper,—Schedule to the Estimates for 1923-24. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper,—Substituted Regulation and New Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Transfer of Records Bill:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer of certain records from the Supreme Court to the Office of the Registrar-General; to amend the Bills of Sale Act, 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.


(2.) Conveyancing (Amendment) Bill:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law with regard to easements of air; and for that purpose to amend the Conveyancing Act, 1919,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.


6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) Church of England Trust Property Amendment Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, and the King's School Council Act,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 25th October, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to further amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act, and to amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Act, 1918, in certain particulars; to provide for the alteration of one of the trusts; and for other purposes therein mentioned,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 25th October, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Cromarty, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
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(3.) Veterinary Surgeons Bill:

Mr. SPEAKER.—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 25th October, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 7, clause 13, lines three and four. Omit "sole or partial" insert "main."

Page 7, clause 13. After line 20 insert new paragraph to stand as paragraph (d) as follows:—

"(d) has for not less than five years immediately prior to the commencement of this Act held the position of Chief Inspector at the abattoirs at Homebush, Broken Hill, or Newcastle, in the State of New South Wales."

Page 11, clause 24. At the end of clause add "or from attending and treating animals where a veterinary surgeon is not readily available and from making reasonable charges thereof."

Examined,—

B. B. O’Connor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the day.

7. Dubbo Gas and Electricity Franchise Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gas Works, and to grant permission under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1923.

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River .

8. George’s River Bridge Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a bridge across George’s River; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gas Works, and to grant permission under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1923.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a bridge across George’s River; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

INCOME TAX (COMMONWEALTH) COLLECTION BILL.—Mr. 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 authorise the making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State of the income tax payable in the State under Commonwealth law and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement, and make certain provisions as to compensation of officers of the Public Service who may be retired in pursuance of the agreement; to amend the Income Tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

10. JUNEE WATER SUPPLY ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the future administration of the Water Supply at Junee; to amend the Junee Water Supply Administration Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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(2.)
(2) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill intituled, "A Bill to make provision for the future administration of the Water Supply at Junes; to amend the Junes Water Supply Administration Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

11. PRINTING COMMITTEE:— Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee.

12. HUNTER DISTRICT WATER AND SEWERAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball 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. Ball, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Loxton, Temporary-Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

13. STOCK DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Captain Chaffey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
On motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

14. SUPPLY BILL (No 2):—Mr. 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 towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

15. BREAD (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Oakes moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Debate continued.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.
Question put,—"That the Question be now put."
The House divided.
The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Radd, Mr. W. J. Scally,
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Shelton,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee, Mr. Clark, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley, Major Connell, Mr. Virg.,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main, Mr. Davidson, Teller,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Mingaugh, Mr. Flannery, Teller,
Mr. Bonnett, Mr. Nash, Mr. Horsington, Mr. V. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Brunsting, Mr. Rose, Mr. Keog, Mr. Gealing.

Noes, 25.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. W. J. Scally,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Shelton,
Mr. W. J. Scally, Mr. W. J. Scally,
Mr. W. J. Scally, Mr. W. J. Scally,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Frank Burke,
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:—

1. By Mr. Jacques—From certain residents of Rose Bay and Bondi.
2. By Mr. Murphy—From certain residents of Mosman and Cremorne.
3. By Mr. Goldstein—From certain residents of Rose Bay and Bondi.
4. By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of Auburn.
5. By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of Lidcombe and Auburn.
6. By Mr. Morrow—From certain residents of Auburn and Lidcombe.
7. By Mr. Arkins—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.

Petitions received.

2. Water and Sewerage Rating System:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as municipal rates are imposed, were presented by Major Connell:—

1. From the Cardiff Progress Association.
2. From the Islington Branch of the Political Labour League.
3. From the Stockton Borough Council.

Petitions received.

3. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Income-Tax (Commonwealth) Collection Bill:— Message No. 75.

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the making of arrangements between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales respecting the collection by the State Commissioner of Taxation of the State income-tax payable by the State under Commonwealth law, and respecting the transfer to the Public Service of the State of certain Commonwealth officers and their retransfer from the service of the State to the service of the Commonwealth, and the rights and obligations of such officers; to ratify a certain agreement, and make certain provisions as to compensation of officers of the Public Service who may be retired in pursuance of the agreement; to amend the Income-tax Management Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

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(2.) Supply Bill (No. 2):— Message No. 76.

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor

A Bill, intituled "An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund towards the Services of the year 1923-1924, and out of the Public Works Fund, and out of the General Loan Account for Services to be hereafter provided for by Loan,"—as finally passed by the
Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.


4. PAPERS:—
Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Notification of resumption and appropriation of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the construction of a Weir on Bumbuggan Creek.
(2.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the sinking of a second Artesian Well for the Careunga Bore Water Trust.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1) Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands within the meaning of the Mining Act, 1906.
(2) Certified Copy of Agreement between the Council of the Municipality of Fairfield and the Sydney and Suburban Blue Metal Quarries, Limited, relating to a franchise granted by the Council to the Company to lay rails on the roads of the said Municipality as shown on the plan annexed to the agreement, and to run cars thereon, drawn by animal or mechanical power, for the purpose of the Company's quarry business.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Act, 1902.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts, from 3rd August to 19th October, 1923.
(2.) Copies of Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the Dedication of certain lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Director-General of Public Health on the Permitted Use of Preservatives in Food.
(2.) Report of His Honor Mr. Justice Edmunds, relating to the dispute in the Coal-Mining Industry at Pelaw Main.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. CLAIMS OF MR. GEORGE H. DINGLE AGAINST THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS:—Mr. Walker (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the claims of Mr. George H. Dingle against the Railway Commissioners, have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House.
Question put and passed.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order, adopted on 9th October, 1923.

6. ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 49:—Mr. Speaker said that there was a motion for the adjournment of the House in the box, but he had to point out to Honorable Members that as a Sessional Order had been passed to the effect that on Tuesdays after half-past Six o'clock Government Business must take precedence of General Business, a motion for adjournment could not now be entertained. There had not to his knowledge been a similar case to this in which the whole of the time before the dinner adjournment had been occupied in asking and answering questions.

7. BREAD (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Oakes moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question put. The House divided.
Ayes, 40.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jaques,
Mr. Arkles, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Loxton,
Mr. Baggeil, Mr. Main,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Devlin,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Birmingham,
Mr. Best, Mr. Hepburn,
Mr. Bracknell, Mr. Ness,
Mr. Brittain, Mr. Coken,
Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Percham,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Captain Chaffey, Mr. Stopford,
Mr. Sir Arthur Coek, Mr. Thoby,
Mr. Crowlarty, Mr. Viscott,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Weare,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Teller,
Mr. Sir George Fuller, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Morrow.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts, and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th October, 1923.

S. WAYS AND MEANS (Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The House adjourned, at Twelve minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL,
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 31 OCTOBER, 1923.

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

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licences:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licences constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith, were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Scott Full—From certain residents of the Electoral District of North Shore.
(2.) By Mr. Jackson—From certain residents of Sydney, Balmain, Hunter's Hill, Gladesville, and Naremburn.
(3.) By Mr. Jaques—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs.

Petitions received.

2. Paper:—Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Plan showing Land to be resumed under the Martin Place Extension Scheme.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. Veterinary Surgeons Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again tomorrow.

4. Ways and Means (Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

5. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Half-past Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 1 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Lazzarini—From the Summer Hill Labour League.
(2.) By Mr. Nesb—From the Eumore-Stanmore Branch of the National Association.

Petitions received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be Dedicated to Public Purposes under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and the Public Trusts Act, 1897.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations under the Navigation Acts, 1901-1904.
(2.) Regulation under the Land and Income Tax Assessment Acts, 1895-1901.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. ANZAC MEMORIAL (BUILDING) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Bruntnell moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain moneys collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said corporation; to amend the Trustees Audit Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bruntnell then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain moneys collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said corporation; to amend the Trustees Audit Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

4. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Housing Board; to confer certain powers upon the Minister; to provide for the vesting of certain lands in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and for the vesting of certain lands and securities in the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales; to confer on the said Commissioners respectively, certain powers of management and other powers; to amend the Housing Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.)
Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to abolish the Housing Board; to confer certain powers upon the Minister; to provide for the vesting of certain lands in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and for the vesting of certain lands and securities in the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales; to confer on the said Commissioners respectively, certain powers of management and other powers; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ways and Means (Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

Printing Committee:—Mr. Goldstein, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Ninth Report from the Printing Committee.

The House adjourned, at Twenty-six minutes after Eleven o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

S. G. BOYDELL, Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
I. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Gosling—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.
(2.) By Dr. Arthur—From certain residents of the Electoral District of North Sydney.
(3.) By Dr. Arthur—From certain residents of the Electoral District of North Sydney.
(4.) By Dr. Arthur—From certain residents of Mosman and Cremorne.
(5.) By Mr. Fitzsimons—From certain residents of Epping.
(6.) By Mr. Fitzsimons—From certain residents of Beecroft.

Petitions received.

2. THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. W. S. Mowle, C.M.G., Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, had returned to the discharge of his duties—a circumstance which, he had no doubt, would afford to Honorable Members as much satisfaction as it did to himself. He was glad to say that Mr. Mowle was practically restored to health after his recent painful accident. He also took the opportunity of expressing appreciation of the services of Mr. Boydell, who, during Mr. Mowle’s absence, had discharged the duties of Clerk of the House in the most efficient manner.

Mr. Wearne, Deputy Premier, addressed the House, and expressed a deep sense of gratitude, and appreciation of the fact that Mr. Mowle was once more in his place in this House. He also expressed appreciation of the work performed by Mr. Boydell in Mr. Mowle’s absence.

3. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN, 
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to abolish the Housing Board; to confer certain powers upon the Minister; to provide for the vesting of certain lands in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and for the vesting of certain lands and securities in the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales; to confer on the said Commissioners respectively certain powers of management and other powers; to validate certain acts of the Housing Board and the Minister; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 6th November, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill,
4. PAPERS:—
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Commissioners for Railways and Tramways for the quarter ended 30th September, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Plan showing land to be resumed under the Martin Place Extension Scheme (in substitution of Plan laid upon the Table, on 31st October, 1923, and ordered by the Printing Committee to be printed on the Ist November, 1923).
Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulations, New and Amended Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Frank Burke, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Report together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the Proposed Water Supply for the Municipality of Blackheath.
Ordered to be printed.

6. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill, was, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

7. MARRIAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Main moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. WAYS AND MEANS (FINANCIAL STATEMENT):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.
The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.
Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was, as follows:

(2.) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the year 1923-24, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £41,754, as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1923-24.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. W. B. moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the question be now put.
Question put:—That the Question be now put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Brown, Mr. Callaghan, Mr. Callaghan, Mr. Charlton, Mr. Chisholm, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick.

Noes, 19.
Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Baillie.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."—

Question,—That this House do now adjourn,—put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twelve o'clock Midnight, until Four o'clock, p.m., this day.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Fitzsimons—From the West Epping Progress Association.
(2.) By Mr. Weaver—From the Bay Road District Progress Association.

Petitions received.

2. ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Mr. Jaques, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of Eastern Suburbs, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

3. PAPERS:—Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Cablegram to the Agent-General, London, respecting shipment of 50 Steel Car-bodies under order from the Leeds Forge Company, England. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ley laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amendment in Scale of Fees to be charged in District Courts for service or attempted service of a default summons under the District Courts Act, 1912. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE:—(Proposed New Standing Order No. 113A and an Amendment of Standing Order No. 111)—Mr. Lang, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up from the Standing Orders Committee a Report containing a proposed new Standing Order to stand as No. 113A, and an Amendment of Standing Order No. 111. Ordered to be printed.

5. POSTPONEMENTS:—The following Orders of the Day were postponed until To-morrow:—

(1.) Marriage (Amendment) Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Main, "That this Bill be now read a second time."
(2.) Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. Crean.]}

6. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

7. PAPER.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper,—Certified Copies of Agreements (3) between the Council of the Municipality of Burrowa and Messrs. G. M. Richards, A. A. Patroni, and G. E. Spark, relating to a franchise granted by the Council to the said persons for the supply by them of electric current for street and private lighting and for power within the said Municipality.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8. DUBBO GAS AND ELECTRICITY FRANCHISE BILL:—Mr. 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 enable the Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gas Works, and to grant permission under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 7th November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

The House adjourned, at Fourteen minutes after Three o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker
THURSDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Scott Bell—From certain residents of the Electoral District of North Sydney.
(2.) By Mr. Arkins—From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.

Petitions received.

2. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—Mr. Frank Burke, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table:

(1.) Tramway between the existing Bondi (via Bellevue Hill) and Watson's Bay System, via Sophia and Hardy Streets:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence relating to the proposed Tramway between the existing Bondi (via Bellevue Hill) and Watson's Bay Systems, via Sophia and Hardy Streets.
(2.) Tramway from Enfield to Bankstown:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence relating to the proposed Tramway from Enfield to Bankstown.

Ordered to be printed.

3. Papers:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Papers regarding Mr. Francis P. Sheehan, Clerk in the service of the Railway Commissioners. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Acts, 1912-1920. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. Main Roads Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the better construction, maintenance, and financing of main roads; to constitute a Main Roads Board; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 22nd October, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. Postponements:—The following Orders of the Day were postponed until Tuesday next:—

(1.) Marriage (Amendment) Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Main, "That this Bill be now read a second time."
(2.) Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Cromarty Bill); second reading. [Mr. Cromarty.]

6.
6. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY (Sessional Order):—Sir George Fuller moved pursuant to Notice, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet, for the despatch of Business, at 2 o'clock p.m., on Friday, in each week, and Government Business only shall be dealt with.

Question put and passed.

7. SUPPLY: The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continued to sit after Midnight.

FRIDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising, This Day, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at Three minutes before Five o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of taxable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Stuart-Robertson—From the Australian Plumbers and Gasfitters Employees' Union, Sydney Branch.

(2.) By Mr. Stuart-Robertson—From the Australasian Meat Industry Employees' Union, New South Wales Branch.

(3.) By Mr. Stuart-Robertson—From the United Labourers’ Protective Society.

(4.) By Mr. Stuart-Robertson—From the Amalgamated Engineering Union, Commonwealth Council.

(5.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Railways, Tramways, and Bus Operators' Union of Australia, New South Wales Branch.

(6.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Clothing and Allied Trades Union, New South Wales Branch.

(7.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Shorncliffe, Ship Constructors, and Boat Builders' Union of Australia.

(8.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Clothing and Allied Trades Union, New South Wales Branch.

(9.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Railways, Tramways, and Bus Operators' Union of Australia.

(10.) By Mr. Quirk—From the Federation of Municipal and Shire Councils Employees' Union of Australia, New South Wales Branch.

Petitions received.

2. PAPERS:

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Fourth Annual Report of the State Superannuation Board, submitted to Parliament pursuant to Section 84 of the Superannuation Act, 1916. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Schedules A to G, Estimates (Consolidated Revenue Fund) 1923-1924—Department of Public Works. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
3. **CASE OF MR. M. PURCELL:**—Mr. Stuart-Robertson moved, pursuant to Notice,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. M. Purcell, 2 Myrtle-street, City.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Main, Mr. James McGirr, and the Mover.
   (3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

4. **ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOUSING BOARD:**—Mr. Lee moved, pursuant to amended Notice,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the general administration of the Housing Boards.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Weaver, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Mutch, Mr. McKell, Mr. Greig, and the Mover.
   (3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
   Debate ensued.
   Question put and passed.

5. **CASE OF MR. FRANK GRIIBBN, LATE OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE ENTERPRISES:**—Mr. Fitzsimons proceeded to move, pursuant to Notice,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon all the circumstances in connection with the termination of the services of Mr. Frank Gribben, late of the Department of State Enterprises, under Section 65 of the Public Service Act of 1902.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Cronarty, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Loxton, Mr. Greig, and the Mover.
   (3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House or any adjournment of the House.
   Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

6. **SUPPLY:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
   Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.
   Debate ensued.
   Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.
   Question,—"That the Question be now put,"—put and passed.
   Question, That this House do now adjourn,—put and passed.
   The House adjourned accordingly, at Eleven minutes after Eleven o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly;

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses:—Mr. Ness presented a Petition from certain residents of Ashfield and Summer Hill, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith. Petition received.

2. Administration of the Housing Board:—Mr. Lee (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Mr. Thorby be appointed a member of the Select Committee on "Administration of the Housing Board." Question put and passed.

3. Papers:—
   Mr. Ley laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Papers respecting the relieving of Mr. F. C. Legge, J.P., of his position as a member of the Cootamundra Licensing Court. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
   Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulation and substituted Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. Dubbo Gas and Electricity Franchise Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Council of the Municipality of Dubbo to enter into an arrangement to lease the Dubbo Municipal Gasworks, and to grant permission, under the Local Government Act, 1919, to the lessee and his assigns to supply both gas and electricity in consideration of such lease; to validate a certain agreement; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 14th November, 1923.

5. Supply:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

Thursday, 15 November, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again.
6. ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.
Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Ley, Mr. Baddeley, Mr. W. J. Scully.
Mr. Arkies, Mr. Main, Mr. Major Concann, Mr. Skelton.
Mr. Bagail, Mr. Misingham, Mr. Davidson, Tellers.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Morrow, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Clark.
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Flanery.
Mr. Bentwell, Mr. Nestett, Mr. Gosling.
Lt.-Col. Bruuner, Mr. Ferdinan, Mr. Grog.
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Hornington.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Lt.-Col. Kanelge, Mr. Lang.
Mr. Cromarty, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Loughlin.
Mr. Do, Mr. Thobry, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McKell.
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Vincenti, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mutich.
Mr. J. G. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Warron, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson, Mr. O'Hearne.
Mr. Hill, Tellers, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Jackson, Tellers, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Lane, Mr. Hess, Mr. O'Hearne.
Mr. Lee, Mr. Nes, Mr. Quirk.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put, That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Arkies, Mr. Main, Mr. Clark, Mr. W. J. Scully.
Mr. Bagail, Mr. Misingham, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Tellers.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Morrow, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. James McGirr.
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Flanery.
Mr. Bentwell, Mr. Nestett, Mr. Gosling.
Lt.-Col. Bruuner, Mr. Ferdinan, Mr. Grog.
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Hornington.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Lt.-Col. Kanelge, Mr. Lang.
Mr. Cromarty, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Loughlin.
Mr. Do, Mr. Thobry, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McKell.
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Vincenti, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mutich.
Mr. J. G. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Warron, Mr. O'Halloran.
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson, Mr. O'Hearne.
Mr. Hill, Tellers, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Jackson, Tellers, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Jaques, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Ratcliffe.
Mr. Lane, Mr. Hess, Mr. O'Hearne.
Mr. Lee, Mr. Nes, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Nineteen minutes after Four o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

W. S MOYLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 15 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to public purposes under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(2.) Gazette Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication of certain lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulation under the Land and Income Tax Assessment Act, 1895, and Acts amending same; and Regulations under the Income Tax (Commonwealth) Collection Act, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. CONDUCT AND ADMINISTRATION OF PONY RACING:—Mr. O'Halloran (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Mr. Vincent be discharged from attendance upon the Select Committee on "Conduct and Administration of Pony Racing"; and that Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge be appointed a Member of such Committee.
Question put and passed.

3. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—
FRIDAY, 16 NOVEMBER, 1923, A.M.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Question put, That leave be given to sit again.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.
Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brundell, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Doe, Mr. Scott Fall, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Pittsaimon, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Hill.

Noes, 32.
Mr. Bubbrey, Lient.-Col. Bruzner, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. George Cann, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Captain Dunn, Mr. Fitzgarral, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Calwell, Mr. Perdriau, Mr. Scully, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Thorby.

Tellers.
Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lang, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. James McGirr.
4. **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:**—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising, This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

5. **PRINTING COMMITTEE:**—Mr. Goldstein, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Eleventh Report from the Printing Committee.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-two minutes before Six o’clock, a.m., until **Tuesday next**, at Four o’clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:

(1.) Sir George Fuller moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion —

(i.) That the vote passed by this House on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m., whereby leave was refused to the Committee of Supply to sit again, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

(ii.) That the Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply be restored to the Business Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of this Sitting, and that the Committee of Supply have leave to sit again at the stage it had reached, when Progress was reported, on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 50.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jaques,
Mr. Arkin, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Brunstell, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Buttle, Mr. Nosbitt,
Mr. Buttle, Mr. Neea,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Chaffey, Mr. Perdriau,
Sir Arthur Coles, Mr. Perkins,
Mr. Crompton, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Mr. Doig, Liumt.-Col. Rutledge,
Mr. Drummond, Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Scott Felt, Mr. Thorley,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Walker,
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Grimm, Mr. Wilson,
Sir Thomas Henley, Tellers,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Holt, Mr. Moscovitch,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Skelton.

Tellers, Mr. D. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Birt,
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Clark, Mr. Birt,
Major Connell, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Davidson, Mr. Birt,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Birt,
Captain Dunn, Dr. Birt,
Mr. Egan, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Floyd, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Horsington, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Lazerini, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Mcllwain, Mr. Birt,
Mr. McKell, Mr. Birt,
Mr. McTernan, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Minahan, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Molanworth, Mr. Birt,
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Birt.

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2. Sir George Fuller moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion—

(1.) That the vote passed by this House on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m., whereby leave was refused to the Committee of Supply to sit again, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

(ii.) That the Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply be restored to the Business Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of this Sitting, and that the Committee of Supply have leave to sit again at the stage it had reached, when Progress was reported, on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put." Mr. Bavin moved, That the Question be now put.

Business Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of this Sitting, and that the was refused to the Committee of Supply to sit again, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

(1.) That the Vote passed by this House on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m., whereby leave

suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion:—

Debate ensued.

The House divided.

Ayes, 50.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ley.
Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Loxton.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main.
Mr. Barin, Mr. Missingham.
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Morrow.
Mr. Brunsmoll, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nash.
Captain Chalkey, Mr. Oakes.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Parson.
Mr. Comarthy, Mr. Dou.
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Draper.
Mr. Scott Foll, Mr. Stepford.
Mr. M. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thoby.
Mr. Fitzsimmon, Mr. Vincent.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Walker.
Mr. Godbold, Mr. Wors.
Mr. Grim, Mr. Weaver.
Mr. Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Mr. Paller.
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Buttenahaw.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lane.
Mr. James, Mr. Lane.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

2. SUPPLY.—RESOLUTION OF VOTE, RESTORATION OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Sir George Fuller moved, without Notice,—

(1.) That the Vote passed by this House on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m., whereby leave was refused to the Committee of Supply to sit again, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

(ii.) That the Order of the Day for the resumption of the Committee of Supply be restored to the Business Paper, and stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of this Sitting, and that the Committee of Supply have leave to sit again at the stage it had reached, when Progress was reported, on Friday, 16th November, 1923, a.m.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Bavin moved, That the Question be now put. Question put,—"That the Question be now put." The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Linn.
Mr. Atkins, Mr. Linn.
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Bagwell, Mr. Loxton.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main.
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Missingham.
Mr. Bradwell, Mr. Morrow.
Mr. C. H. Bracanor, Mr. Nashett.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nes.
Captain Chalkey, Mr. Pardoes.
Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Parson.
Mr. Comarthy, Mr. Draper.
Mr. Dou, Mr. Draper.
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Draper.
Mr. Scott Foll, Mr. Parson.
Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wors.
Mr. Godbold, Mr. Weaver.
Mr. Grim, Mr. Weaver.
Mr. Thomas Henley, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Hill, Mr. Paller.
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Buttenahaw.
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lane.
Mr. James, Mr. Lane.

And it appearing by the Tellers Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put.
The House divided.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

3. ADJOURNMENT—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Brunstall moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

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And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."—

Question, That this House do now adjourn,—put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Thirteen minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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DANIEL LEVY, 
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New South Wales.

No. 47.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

PAPERS:

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Notifications of appropriation of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—

(a) Railway Traffic between Sydney and Albury by provision of Road Diversion near Wagga Wagga.

(b) Railway Traffic between Sydney and Wallangarra, by provision of Water Supply at Armidale.

(c) Railway Traffic between Sydney and Newcastle, by provision of Wharf facilities at Hawkesbury River.

(d) Railway Traffic between Sydney and Bourke, by provision of Drainage facilities at Bonitha.

(2.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—

(a) Railway Traffic between Urunga and South Grafton, by provision of Road Diversion at Glenreagh.

(b) Government Savings Bank at Willoughby.

(c) Coff's Harbour Improvements.

(3.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for—

(a) Railway Traffic between Newcastle and Plattsburg, by provision of New Terminal arrangements at Newcastle.

(b) Railway Traffic between Glenreagh and South Grafton, near Coff's Harbour.

(c) Railway Traffic between Lidcombe and Regent's Park, by provision of Drainage Facilities at Bemal.

(d) For Quarry Purposes, on authorised line of Railway, between Glenreagh and Dorrigo.

(e) Railway Traffic between Sydney and Newn, by provision of Carriage Shed at Mortdale.

(4.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and Local Government Act, 1919, for—

(a) Children's playground at Bexley.

(b) Reserve at Kogarah.

(c) Street extension purposes at Rockdale.

(d) Street widening purposes at Kogarah.

(e) Road widening purposes at Lane Cove.

(f) Street widening purposes at Sutherland.

(g) Improving a public road at Rockdale.

(h) Rounding a street corner at Kogarah.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Reports of the Ambulance Transport Service Board for the years ended 30th June, 1922, and 30th June, 1923.


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
21st November, 1923.

2. Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Mr. Ball, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the water supply, sewerage, and drainage of certain districts in and adjacent to the County of Cumberland; to repeal the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1890, and certain other Acts; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.


Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Middle Harbour (The Spit) Bridge Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 16th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a bridge across Middle Harbour at the Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 16th November, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. Child Welfare Bill:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill returned herewith, intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to children,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 21st November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

CHILD WELFARE BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 21st November, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER, Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 3, clause 5, line 36. After "in" insert "Part IV and."

Page 5, clause 5, line 29. After "incompetent" insert "or improper."

Page 17, clause 37, line 16. Omit "forty-eight" insert "twenty-four."

Page 29, clause 76, lines 8, 9, and 10. Omit "one or more good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the court," insert "or without a surety or sureties."

Page 32, clause 76, line 6. Omit "within one month from the birth of such child."

Page 33, clause 80, line 37. After "with" insert "or without."

Page 33, clause 80, line 41. After "sureties" insert "if any."

Page 34, clause 80, line 3. After "with" insert "for the period specified in the recognizance."

Page 35. At the end of clause 84 add new paragraph, as follows:—A man adjudged to be the father of a child may apply to the Court for leave to apply to have the order varied on the ground that evidence material to the question of the paternity of the child was not available to or known of by him at the date of the adjudication, and the Court may on hearing the evidence grant or refuse such leave.

Except in pursuance of leave so granted the question of the paternity of the child shall not be raised on an application to vary an order.

Page 35, clause 86, line 28. Omit "police."

Page 38. At end of clause 91 add new paragraph and new clause to stand as clause 92, as follows:—

(New paragraph.) "Provided also that where any order has been made ex parte under subsection "two of any section eighty-six of this Act the defendant may appeal as in this section, provided that at any time within one month of the time when the fact of such order having been made came to knowledge, the order varied on the ground that evidence material to the question of the paternity of the child was not available to or known of by him at the date of the adjudication, and the Court may on hearing the evidence grant or refuse such leave."

"Except in pursuance of leave so granted the question of the paternity of the child shall not be raised on an application to vary an order."

Page 92. Where an order of Court has been quashed or an order of dismissal of a complaint has been confirmed by a Court of competent jurisdiction on appeal as provided by section ninety-one, fresh proceedings may by leave of a Court be brought at any time under sections sixty-nine, seventy-three, or eighty-six in respect of the same cause of complaint or subject matter."
Page 39. After clause 93 insert new clause,—

"95. A Court for the purpose of dealing with proceedings under sections sixty-nine, seventy-three, and seventy-six of this Act shall have all the powers of a justice or justices under sections sixty-one, sixty-six, and seventy-one of the Justices Act, 1902, and the provisions of sections sixty-two, sixty-three, and sixty-four of that Act shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to the forms, service, and proof of service of any summons or warrant issued by the Court under this Act."

Page 40. At end of clause 98 add new subclause (3) as follows:—

"(3) The provisions of the last preceding subsection shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the hearing of any appeal under section ninety-one of this Act."

Page 41, clause 99. Omit lines 20 to 24 inclusive.

Page 41. After clause 99 insert new clause as follows:—

"102. The Justices Act, 1902, so far as it is not inconsistent with this Act shall apply to this Act with the exception of Part X."

Examined,—

B. B. O'Connor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the day.

4. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 22 NOVEMBER, 1923, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the resolutions, which were read, as follows:—


Consolidated Revenue Fund.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(4.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £38,762, for Executive and Legislative, for the year 1923-24.

PREMIER.

(5.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £62,191, for Premier, for the year 1923-24.

COLONIAL SECRETARY AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH.

(6.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,664,310, for Colonial Secretary and Minister for Public Health, for the year 1923-24.

TREASURER.

(7.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,386,631, for Treasurer, for the year 1923-24.

RAILWAYS.

(8.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £14,259,275, for Railways and Tramways—Existing Lines—Working Expenses, for the year 1923-24.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(9.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £642,790, for Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, for the year 1923-24.

SECRETARY FOR LANDS AND MINISTER FOR FORESTS.

(10.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £683,988, for Secretary for Lands and Minister for Forests, for the year 1923-24.

MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(11.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,427,903, for Minister for Public Works, for the year 1923-24.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

(12.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,036,792, for Public Instruction, for the year 1923-24.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR AND INDUSTRY.

(13.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £111,843, for Department of Labour and Industry, for the year 1923-24.

SECRETARY
5. Ways and Means.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolutions were agreed to.

6. Appropriation Bill.—
(1.) Ordered, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, That a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 2, 4, and 5) to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Services of the year from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1924 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1922-23, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1922, to the 30th day of June, 1923 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments "Unauthorised in Suspense," Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1922-23; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects.

(2.) Sir Arthur Cocks then presented a 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 from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1924 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote, 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1922-23, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1922, to the 30th day of June, 1923 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1922-23; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and by consent now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered by consent, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1924 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote Advance to Treasurer, 1922-23, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1922, to the 30th day of June, 1923 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments ‘Unauthorised in Suspense,’ Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1922-23; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd November, 1923, a.m.

7. BREAD (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intitiled “An Act to amend the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 21st November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

8. DANGEROUS DRUGS BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Bavin, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the manufacture, possession, supply, and use of certain dangerous drugs; to amend the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to regulate the manufacture, possession, supply, and use of certain dangerous drugs; to amend the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,”—which was read a first time.

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

The House adjourned, at Eight minutes before Three o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock p.m. This Day.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licences.—Mr. Fitzsimons presented a Petition from certain residents of Epping, Croydon, and Eastwood, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. Loan Estimates, 1923–24.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir Arthur Cocks, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales on account of Public Works and other Services for the year 1923–24, proposed to be provided for by Loan.

Sydney, 19th November, 1923.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. Papers:—
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Schedules 1 to 4, 1923–1924, Estimates, Public Works Fund (Construction).

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Statement respecting the attendance of ambulances at fires.
(2.) Report of the Director-General of Public Health for the year 1922.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1923, together with Balance-sheets, Appendices, &c.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—Mr. Dow, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Second Report, together with Minutes of Evidence relating to the proposed Railway from Tenterfield to Casino.

Ordered to be printed.
5. **Shakespeare Tercentenary Memorial Fund Bill:** — Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council —

**Mr. Speaker,**

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the handing over of the Shakespeare Tercentenary Memorial Fund to the Trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales upon certain trusts; and for purposes connected therewith," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

*Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 22nd November, 1923.*

Bill, on motion of Mr. Brundell, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

6. **Necropolis (Amendment) Bill:** — The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Mr. Wearne, and read by Mr. Speaker —

*W. P. Cullen, Lieutenant-Governor.*

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to enable part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901, the Public Health Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House, Sydney, 22nd November, 1923.* Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

7. **Proposed New Standing Order No. 113 and Amendment of Standing Order No. 111 (Formal Motion):** — Mr. Oakes moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House now agrees to and adopts the new Standing Order No. 113, and amended Standing Order No. 111, as brought up by the Standing Orders Committee on 7th November, 1923, and authorises Mr. Speaker to present such new and amended Standing Orders to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for approval.

Question put and passed.

8. **Middle Harbour (The Spit) Bridge Bill:** —

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a bridge across Middle Harbour at The Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a bridge across Middle Harbour at The Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith," — which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

9. **Marriage Amendment Bill:** —

(1.) Mr. Ley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare the impugning of marriages celebrated in accordance with the Marriage Act, 1899, to be unlawful; to make certain provisions as to certificates of marriage; to declare marriages between a woman and her deceased husband's brother valid in law; to amend the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Oakes moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put, — "That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 43. — Mr. Balley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Darke, Mr. Missingham.

Noes, 33. — Mr. Oakes, Mr. W. P. Cullen, Mr. Cullen, Mr. McKell, Mr. James Mcairr.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mr. Ley proceeding to speak in reply.

Major Conneil moved, That Mr. Ley, one of the Honorable Members for St. George, be not further heard.

Question
Question put.
The House divided.

Mr. Baddiley, Mr. Molesworth,
Mr. Bailey, Mr. D. Murray,
Mr. Birt, Mr. Metuch,
Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Hood, Mr. O'Flannery,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Maunsell,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Sherrard-Robertson,
Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Clark,
Mr. Greig, Mr. Gething,
Mr. Horrington, Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Mcgill, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Dooleys, Mr. Ness,

And so it passed in the negative.

And Mr. Ley having spoken in reply.

The House divided.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lane,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Lexton,
Mr. Davison, Mr. Meatham,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Nobilit,
Mr. Brunstfield, Mr. Ness,
Lamont, Tellers, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Buttonham, Mr. Percival,
Mr. Cameron, Sir Charles Rosenthal,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Scott-Full,
Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Fittsimons, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Hill, Tellers,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Doce,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. James McGirr, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. McClelland, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Scott-Full,
Mr. Long, Mr. Sherrard-Robertson,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Tatters,
Mr. O'Hearn, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Oates, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Hearn, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
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Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Weare,
10. **Printing Committee**:—Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Twelfth Report from the Printing Committee.

11. **Necropolis (Amendment) Bill**:

(1.) Mr. Wearne moved, pursuant to Notice, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901, the Public Health Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued.

(2.) Mr. Wearne then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to enable part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901, the Public Health Act, 1902, and certain other Acts, and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

12. **Child Welfare Bill**:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments. On motion by Mr. Bruntnell, the report was adopted. Ordered, 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 and consolidate certain Acts relating to children."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd September, 1923.

13. **Anzac Memorial (Building) Bill**:

The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bruntnell 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. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments. On motion of Mr. Bruntnell, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time tomorrow.

14. **George's River Bridge Bill**:

The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball 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. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments. On motion of Mr. Ball the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time tomorrow.

15. **Veterinary Surgeons' Bill**:

The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had disagreed to one and amended others of the Council's amendments, and had made a consequential amendment. Captain Chaffey moved, "That the Report be now adopted." Mr. Lee moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words the Council's amendments be recommitted for the reconsideration of the amendment in clause 13, subclause (a), which omits the words "sole or partial" and inserts the word "main,"—instead thereof. Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question. Debate ensued.

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and negatived. Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted,—put and passed. Question then,—That the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of the amendment in clause 13, subclause (a) which omits the words "sole or partial" and inserts the word "main,"—put and passed. On motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported 2" that the Committee had disagreed to the Council's amendment, previously disagreed to, with an amendment. On motion of Captain Chaffey the Report was adopted.
16. Special Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

17. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Ten minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOYLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

BREAD (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to Amend the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 26th November, 1923.

PAPERS:—

Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Additional By-laws made by the Trustees of the Walgett Bore Water Trust, under the Water Act, 1912.

(2.) By-laws made by the Trustees of the Burren Bore Water Trust, under the Water Act, 1912.

(3.) By-laws made by the Trustees of the Quambone Bore Water Trust, under the Water Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Sir Arthur Cocks, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expedience of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith.


Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 9th October, 1923.
4. ANZAC MEMORIAL (BUILDING) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Bruntnell, read a third time.

Ordered, 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 incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain moneys collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said corporation; to amend the Trustees Audit Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th November, 1923.

5. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL.—Ordered, on motion of Captain Chaffey, that the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council's Message, dated 25th October, 1923, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Veterinary Surgeons Bill,

Disagrees to the amendment in clause 13, page 7, lines 3-4, which omits the words "sole or partial" and inserts the word "main"; but proposes to amend the clause by omitting the word "partial" with a view of inserting the word "substantial," because the word "substantial" will admit of a discretionary power being placed in the hands of the Board.

Agrees to the amendment in clause 13, page 7, line 20, which proposes to insert new paragraph (d), but proposes to amend the amendment by omitting the words "Chief Inspector at the abattoirs" and inserting the words "Superintendent of the abattoir area."

Agrees to the amendment in clause 24, page 11, which adds certain words, but proposes to amend the amendment by omitting the words "or from"; the word "readily"; and the word "from" secondly occurring; and as consequential on those amendments paragraphing the clause as follows:

24. Nothing in this Act shall prohibit any person from,

(a) performing the operations of castrating, spaying, dehorning, or inoculating any animal, or tailing of lambs;

(b) attending and treating animals where a veterinary surgeon is not available, and making reasonable charges therefor.

And the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council in its disagreement from and amendments upon the Council's amendments, and in the Assembly's consequential amendment in the Bill.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th November, 1923.

6. GEORGE'S MYER BRIDGE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time.

Ordered, 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 authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a bridge across George's River; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th November, 1923.

7. MIDDLE HARBOUR (THE SPIT) BRIDGE BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball 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. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

8. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at One minute before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—Mr. George Cann presented a Petition from the Canterbury Progress Association, representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of rateable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as municipal rates are imposed.

Petition received.

2. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Doe, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix, relating to the proposed Railway from Guyra to Dorrigo.

Ordered to be printed.

3. PAPER:—Mr. Wears laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the Dedication of certain Lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. MIDDLE HARBOUR (THE SPIT) BRIDGE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Ball, read a third time.

Ordered, 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 authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a Bridge across Middle Harbour at The Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1923.

5. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(20.) Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1923-24, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £10,663,500 for Public Works and other Services.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the resolution was agreed to.
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28th November, 1923.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. — Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) Veterinary Surgeons Bill:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly’s Message, dated 27th November, 1923, in reference to the Veterinary Surgeons Bill:

Does not insist upon its amendment disagreed to by the Assembly,

Agrees to the Assembly’s new amendment and amendments upon the Council’s amendments, including a consequential amendment, in this Bill.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) 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 from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1924 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1922-23, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1923 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1922-23; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

7. WAYS AND MEANS.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered; on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Chairman then reported the Resolution, which was read as follows:

(6.) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £10,863,350 be raised by the issue of Debentures or Stock, secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund, or, pending the issue of Debentures or Stock, by the issue of Treasury Bills, to defray the expenses of certain Public Works and Services. In motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the Resolution was agreed to.

8. LOAN BILL:

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 6), to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services, and for other purposes.

(2.) Sir Arthur Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services, and for other purposes," which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) now read a second time. Question put and passed.

(3.) Bill read a second time. On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill. On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, the report was adopted. Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time. Ordered, 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 authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services; and for other purposes," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th November, 1923, a.m.

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

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 1923.

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

Abolition of Wine Bars and Wine Licenses.—Mr. Jackson presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of Sydney, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. New Standing Order No. 113a, and Amendment of Standing Order No. 111:—Mr. Speaker announced to the House that he had presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor New and Amended Standing Orders, adopted by the House on 22nd November, and that His Excellency had been pleased to approve of the same.

3. George’s River Bridge Bill:—Mr. 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 authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a bridge across George’s River; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th November, 1923,
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

4. Co-operation, Community Settlement, and Credit Bill:—The Order of the day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Loughlin moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

5. Printing Committee:—Mr. Bennett, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Thirteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

6. Middle Harbour (The Spit) Bridge Bill:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to a Bill, intituled “An Act to authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a Bridge across Middle Harbour at The Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th November, 1923,
FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
7. POLICE REGULATION (APPEALS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left
the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration
of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman reported the Bill
with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Oakes the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time Tomorrow.

8. NECROPOLIS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Wearne
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. Wearne, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the
Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Wearne, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

9. LOAN BILL:—Mr. 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 authorise
the raising of a loan for Public Works and Services; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to
the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th November, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

10. STOCK DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the
House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Captain Chaffey, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

11. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been
read,—Mr. Ley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

12. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having
been read,—Mr. Ley 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. Ley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee
of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time Tomorrow.

13. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved without Notice, That this House at
its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at Twenty-four minutes after Four o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four
o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

**ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:**—Mr. Gosling presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith.

Petition received.

2. **MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:**—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:

   By Mr. Oakes:
   (1.) Nurses Registration Bill:
   W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

   In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the registration and regulation of nurses; to amend the Private Hospitals Act, 1908; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

   **State Government House,**
   **Sydney, 4th December, 1923.**

   Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

   (2.) Meat Industry Encouragement Bill:
   W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

   In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to encourage and improve the Meat Industry, and for other incidental purposes.

   **State Government House,**
   **Sydney, 4th December, 1923.**

   Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

   By Sir George Fuller:
   (3.) Child Welfare Bill:
   W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

   A Bill, intitled "An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to children,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

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   **Sydney, 30th November, 1923.**

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(4.) Appropriation Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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 from the 1st day of July, 1923, to the 30th day of June, 1924 (exclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1922-23, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for Supplementary Charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1922, to the 30th day of June, 1923 (exclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1922-23; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 30th November, 1923.

3. PAPERS:—
Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Certified Copy of Agreement between the Council of the Shire of Hastings and the Upper Hastings Cooperative Dairy Company, Limited, relating to a franchise granted by the Council to the Company for the supply of Electric Current for street and private lighting, and for power within the town of Wauchope and such additional localities within the Shire as the Council may require.
(2.) Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Report of the Trustees of the Public Library for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. P. Palazzi, as Lecturer-in-Charge, Department of Sanitation, Technical Education Branch.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Government Tourist Bureau and Tourist Resorts—Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1923.
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Report by the Superintendent of Traffic regarding (1) the medical examination of all persons driving motor buses, cars, and lorries, and (3) Motor Traffic Regulations.
(3.) Papers and statement respecting the fly pest.
(4.) Report of Chairman of the Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and Statement concerning the use of fertiliser bags at the State Abattoirs.
(6.) Papers respecting alleged refusal by the Sydney Industrial Blind Institution to re-employ certain blind persons.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Doe, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table:
(1.) Tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point:—Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point.
(2.) Tramway along Lyon's Road, Drummoyne to Five Dock:—Second Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan relating to the proposed Tramway along Lyon's Road, Drummoyne to Five Dock.
Ordered to be printed.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order, adopted on 9th October, 1923.

5. STOCK DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Sir George Fuller moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.
Mr. Fitzgerald moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clauses 5 and 7," instead thereof.

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

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.
The House divided.  
Ayes, 39.  
Noes, 28.  

Mr. Anderson,  
Mr. Jaques,  
Mr. Adelaide,  
Mr. O'Brien,  
Mr. Adams,  
Mr. Lee,  
Mr. George Cann,  
Mr. O'Halloran,  
Mr. Coghill,  
Mr. Queer,  
Mr. Davidson,  
Mr. W. J. Scullin,  
Mr. William Davies,  
Captain Dunn,  
Mr. Fitzgerald,  
Mr. Gough,  
Mr. Houstoun,  
Mr. Groom,  
Mr. Battilie.

Tellers,

Mr. Buttenshaw,  
Mr. Oakes,  
Mr. Fitzgerald,  
Mr. Homington,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Mr. Parr,  
Mr. Flannery,  
Mr. Ratcliffe,  
Mr. Captain Chaffey,  
Mr. Perkins,  
Mr. Gosling,  
Sir Arthur Cocks,  
Sir Charles Rosenthal,  
Mr. Keegan,  
Mr. Cromarty,  
Mr. Stopf,  
Mr. Lang,  
Mr. Doe,  
Mr. Walker,  
Mr. Lazzarini,  
Mr. Longhin,  
Mr. Lenton,  
Mr. McClay,  
Mr. Gregory McGirr,  
Mr. James McGirr,  
Mr. Grimm,  
Mr. Jackson,  
Mr. Higham,  
Mr. Ghale.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.  

Question,—That this Bill be now read a third time,—put and passed.  

Bill read a third time.  
Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—  

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the formation of counties in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,  
Sydney, 4th December, 1923.

6. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time.  
Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—  

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, and the King's School Council Act,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.  

Legislative Assembly Chamber,  
Sydney, 4th December, 1923.

7. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ley, read a third time.  
Ordered, 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 Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, in certain respects; to validate the formation of existing dioceses, and to sanction the existing boundaries thereof; to provide for the formation of new dioceses, and for the alteration of boundaries of dioceses; to validate conveyances of trust property of the Church of England in certain cases; to waive conditions of forfeiture in Crown grants of trust property of the Church of England; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,  
Sydney, 4th December, 1923.

8. NECROPOLIS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Wearne moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question put and passed.  

Bill read a third time.  
Ordered, 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 part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901, the Public Health Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,  
Sydney, 4th December, 1923.

9. GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK (AMENDMENT) BILL:—  
(1) Sir Arthur Cocks moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain Acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith.  

Debate ensued.  
Question put and passed.
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4th December, 1923.

(2.) Sir Arthur Cocks then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain Acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

10. ROYAL COMMISSIONS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin 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. Bavin, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lenton, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of Mr. Bavin, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

11. MONOPOLIES BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Bavin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to monopolies and restraint of trade; to repeal certain sections of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Bavin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the law relating to monopolies and restraint of trade; to repeal certain sections of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

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

The House adjourned, at Twenty minutes after Eleven o’clock, until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 5 DECEMBER, 1923.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Mr. Ball, and read by Mr. Speaker:

(1.) Sydney Water Supply Amplification Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of additional works of water supply for the City of Sydney and adjoining districts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Metropolitan Water and Sewerage (Amendment) Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide that the present members of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor; to amend the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

2. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Council Bill), second reading [Mr. Cromarty]—postponed until To-morrow.

3. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Oakes moved, pursuant to Notice, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the registration and regulation of nurses; to amend the Private Hospitals Act, 1908; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for the registration and regulation of nurses; to amend the Private Hospitals Act, 1908; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
4. Royal Commissions Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a third time. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 law relating to Royal Commissions; to repeal the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

5. Co-operation, Community Settlement, and Credit Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Bavin, “That this Bill be now read a second time,”—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

6. Anzac Memorial (Building) Bill:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled “An Act to incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain money collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said corporation; to amend the Trustees Audit Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,”—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Anzac Memorial (Building) Bill.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 5th December, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER, Clerk of the Parliaments.


Examined,—

B. B. O’Connor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at Twenty-five minutes before Four o’clock, a.m., until Four o’clock, p.m., This Day.

W. S. Mowle,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 54.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER, 1923.

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

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND WINE LICENSES:—Dr. Arthur presented a Petition from certain residents of New South Wales, representing that wine bars and wine licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith. Petition received.

2. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Doe, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Plan, relating to the proposed Railway from Moss Vale to Port Kembla. Ordered to be printed.

3. PAPER:—Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Industrial Arbitration Acts, 1912-22. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:

By Sir Arthur Cocks,—

(1.) Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909, and certain other Acts; to repeal the Motor Vehicle (Taxation) Act, 1916; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 4th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

By Mr. Ball,—

(2.) Government Railways (Amendment) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 6th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

By
By Sir George Fuller,—

(3.) Veterinary Surgeons Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the regulation of the practice of Veterinary Science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

(4.) George's River Bridge Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the construction by the Shire of Sutherland of a Bridge across George's River; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

(5.) Middle Harbour (The Spit) Bridge Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the construction by the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, on behalf and at the expense of the Council of the Municipality of Manly, of a Bridge across Middle Harbour at the Spit; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1901; and the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

(6.) Loan Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services; and for other purposes,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.


Ordered, 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 constitute a Police Appeal Board and to make provision for the reference to such board of appeals by members of the police force; to amend the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6th December, 1923.

6. Anzac Memorial (Building) Bill:—The Order of the day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bruntnell, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain moneys collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said corporation; to amend the Trustees Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6th December, 1923.
7. CO-OPERATION, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments. On motion of Mr. Bavin, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fitzsimons, on behalf of Sir Thomas Henley, Chairman, brought up the Fourteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

9. CASE OF M. M. PURCELL:—Mr. Stuart-Robertson, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Subject was referred on 13th November, 1923. Ordered to be printed.

10. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at Five Minutes after Four o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by the Members named:—

(1.) By Mr. Loxton—From the Burwood Chamber of Commerce.
(2.) By Mr. Gosling—From the Undercliffe Progress Association.

Petitions received.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—Mr. Doe, on behalf of the Chairman, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Works Act, laid upon the Table, Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, and Plan, relating to the Proposed Tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater.
Ordered to be printed.

PAPERS:—

Mr. I. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Local Government Department for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(2.) Regulation under the Stock Act, 1901.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ravin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Public Service Board for the year ended 30th June, 1923.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearne laid upon the Table the following Paper:
Gazette Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the Dedication of certain Lands under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Levy:—

(1.) Tenants Relief and Protection Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.
In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1903, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the relief and protection of tenants; to amend the Fair Rents Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 11th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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By Sir George Fuller,—

(2.) Church of England Trust Property Amendment Bill :—

W. F. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, and the King's School Council Act,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 8th December, 1923.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

(1.) Necropolis (Amendment) Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901, the Public Health Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS, President.

(2.) Royal Commissions Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Royal Commissions; to repeal the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without Amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS, President.

(3.) Church of England Trust Property (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) :—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, in certain respects; to validate the fornication of existing dioceses and to sanction the existing boundaries thereof; to provide for the formation of new dioceses, and for the alteration of boundaries of dioceses; to validate conveyances of trust property of the Church of England in certain cases; to waive conditions of forfeiture in Crown grants of trust property of the Church of England; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS, President.

(4.) Stock Diseases Bill :—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act relating to diseases in stock; to repeal the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915; and for purposes connected therewith,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1923. FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 11th December, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER, Clerk of the Parliaments.

Clause 3, page 3, line 14. After "stock," secondly occurring, insert "on any vessel or"

Clause 14, subclause (2), page 8, line 13. Omit "ten" insert "eleven"

Clause 16, subclause (1), page 9, line 2. Omit "six" insert "seven"

Clause 17, page 9, at end of clause insert new subclause to stand as subclause (2), as follows:

2 (a) The Governor may authorise an inspector to exercise within a quarantine area any power which the Minister might exercise under the last preceding subsection.

(b) The inspector, when so authorised, may order the destruction of any stock, whether infected or not, and of anything in which his opinion may tend to spread disease.

(c) The grant of such authority shall be notified as soon as practicable in the Gazette, and in a newspaper circulating in the district in which the quarantine area is situated.

(d) The inspector may act in pursuance of any such authority provided the grant thereof has been certified by writing or by telegraph by the Minister or some member of the Executive Council.
CLAUSE 20, page 10, line 14. After "any" insert "infected."

CLAUSE 20, page 10, line 34. Omit "ten." Insert "eleven."

Examined.—

N. J. BUZACOTT,
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

And it being after Half-past Six o'clock, Government business proceeded with under Sessional Order, adopted on 5th October, 1923.

6. ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 49.—Mr. Speaker said he had received a Notice from Mr. O'Hearn, one of the Honourable Members for Maitland, of his intention to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 49, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, but owing to the stringent operation of the Sessional Order he was constrained to rule that this motion of adjournment could not now be moved.

7. CO-OPERATIVE, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Bavin, read a third time.

Ordered 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 law relating to co-operation; to provide for the formation, registration and management of co-operative societies, including rural societies, trading societies, community settlement societies, community advancement societies, building societies, rural credit societies, urban credit societies, investment societies, and associations and unions of societies; to provide for an advisory council; and to repeal the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11th December, 1923.

8. GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Bavin, read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

9. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—

(1.) Railway from Camuurra to Boggabilla.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a Line of Railway from Camuurra to Boggabilla, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a Line of Railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a Line of Railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Railway from Ungarie to Naradhan.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of Line of Railway from Ungarie to Naradhan, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(5.) Railway from Bankstown to Regent's Park.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a Line of Railway from Bankstown to Regent's Park, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(6.) Additional Shed Accommodation (Lee Wharf, Newcastle Harbour).—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of an extension, with additional Shed Accommodation, to Lee Wharf, Newcastle Harbour, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

(7.) Additional Laboratory Accommodation, Hawkesbury Agricultural College.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the proposed Additional Laboratory Accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be constructed.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
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(8.) Isolation Block for Treatment of Venereal Diseases, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of an Isolation Block for the Treatment of Venereal Diseases, at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Question put and passed.

(9.) New Jetty at Byron Bay.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a New Jetty at Byron Bay, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(10.) Amplification of the Sewerage System of the Town of Katoomba.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the proposed scheme for the amplification of the sewerage system of the town of Katoomba, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Question put and passed.

(11.) Water Supply for the Municipality of Blackheath.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a system of water supply for the Municipality of Blackheath, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Question put and passed.

(12.) Sewerage System for the Municipality of Wollongong.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a system of sewerage for the Municipality of Wollongong, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Question put and passed.

10. SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY AMPLIFICATION BILL :—
(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of additional works of Water Supply for the City of Sydney and adjoining districts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of additional works of Water Supply for the City of Sydney and adjoining Districts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed and read a second time To-morrow.

11. SEAT OF GOVERNMENT SURRENDER (AMENDMENT) BILL :—The Order of the Day having been read,—
Mr. Wearne 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. Wearne, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Wearne, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, that the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

12. GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK (AMENDMENT) BILL :—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time.
Ordered, 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 Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain Acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 11th December, 1923.

13. POSTPONEMENTS.—The remaining Government Business, the remaining Notices of Motions of General Business and Orders of the Day Nos. 1, 2, and 3 of General Business, were postponed, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, until To-morrow.

14. CASE OF Mr. FRANK GRIFFIN, LATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE ENTERPRISES :—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Fitzsimons,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon all the circumstances in connection with the termination of the services of Mr. Frank Griffin, late of the Department of State Enterprises, under Section 65 of the Public Service Act of 1902.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Lockett, Mr. Greg, and the Mover.
(3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House.
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Question put and passed.
15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Water and Sewerage Rating System.—The following Petitions representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed,—were presented by Mr. George Cann:

1. From the Federated Society of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders, Sydney Branch.
2. From the Breadcarters' Union of New South Wales.
3. From the Australian Saddlery, Leather, Sail, and Canvas Workers' Trades Employees Federation, New South Wales Branch.
4. From the Baking Trade Employees' Federation of Australasia, Sydney Branch.
5. From the Australasian Society of Engineers, New South Wales Branch.
6. From the New South Wales Government Tramway Employees' Union.
7. From the Amalgamated Printing Trades Employees' Union of New South Wales.

Petitions received.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulation No. 99 under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Wearoe laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement respecting Christmas relief works for unemployed. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Thomas Taylor Trust Estate Bill.—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the will and codicil of Thomas Taylor, late of Inverell, in the State of New South Wales, deceased, to make provision out of his estate for the maintenance of his widow, Ethel Taylor, and of his daughter, Thelma Taylor; to discharge the said Trustees from certain breaches of the trusts of the said will and codicil; and for other incidental purposes," presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

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Sydney, 12th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Jaques, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-Governor.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Mr. Ball, and read by Mr. Speaker:

(1.) Camurra to Boggabilla Railway Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Camurra to Boggabilla; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(2.) Wyalong towards Condobolin Railway Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(3.) Uranquinty towards Moon’s Siding Railway Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Uranquinty towards Moon’s Siding; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(4.) Ungarie to Naradhan Railway Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Ungarie to Naradhan; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(5.) Regent’s Park to Bankstown Railway Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Regent’s Park to Bankstown; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(6.) Lee Wharf Extension Bill:

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the Extension of Lee Wharf at Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

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(7.) Hawkesbury Agricultural College (Laboratory) Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of additional laboratory accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(8.) Prince Alfred Hospital (Isolation Block) Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of an isolation block in connection with the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(9.) Byron Bay Jetty Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a jetty at Byron Bay; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(10.) Katumbba Sewerage Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of works for the amplification of the Katumbba sewerage system; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(11.) Blackheath Water Supply Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of works of water supply for the Municipality of Blackheath.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(12.) Wollongong Sewerage Bill:—
W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a system of sewerage for the municipality of Wollongong; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1923.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from Mr. O’Heaun, one of the Honorable Members for Maitland, a Notice under the 49th Standing Order, that he desired to move the adjournment of the House, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz:—“Urgent necessity for financial assistance for necessitous farmers.”

And the Motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Mr.
Mr. O'Hearn moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Point of Order:—Mr. Jacques submitted that this Motion was out of order on the ground that the subject had been dealt with and money provided on the Estimates, and that the Motion did not disclose a matter of urgency or of recent occurrence.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said the question of urgency was one over which he could not decide; on the other points he could not at present rule the Motion out of order.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ball, Mr. O'Hearn, Mr. Baillie, Mr. O'Sullivan, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Bruntsch, Mr. O'Callaghan, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nose, Mr. Cronumy, Mr. Dixon, Lieut. Col. Boodle, Mr. Drummond, Dr. Stephard, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Vincent, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Warrane, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Godden, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Grim, Tellers, Mr. Thomas Henry, Mr. Hill, Mr. Morro, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Jaques.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the Motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Baddeley, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Birt, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Arkins, Mr. O'Callaghan, Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Smith, Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Ball, Mr. Mt. O'Brien, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Bruntsch, Mr. O'Callaghan, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nose, Mr. Cronumy, Mr. Dixon, Lieut. Col. Boodle, Mr. Drummond, Dr. Stephard, Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Vincent, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fitzsimons, Mr. Warrane, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Godden, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Grim, Tellers, Mr. Thomas Henry, Mr. Hill, Mr. Morro, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Jaques.

And so it passed in the negative.

6. SEAT OF GOVERNMENT SURRENDER (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Wearne, read a third time.

Ordered that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Seat of Government Surrender Act, 1901, and for that purpose to ratify and confirm an agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales; and for other purposes,—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 12th December, 1923.

7. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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And the Committee continuing to sit after Mid-Day,—

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments, and an amended Title.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

3. CAMURRA TO BOGGABILLA RAILWAY BILL:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Camurra to Boggabilla; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Camurra to Boggabilla; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of railway from Camurra to Boggabilla; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

9. WYALONG TOWARDS CONDOBOLIN RAILWAY BILL:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

10. URANQUINTY TOWARDS MOON'S SIDING RAILWAY BILL:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.
(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of railway from Uranguinty towards Moon's Siding; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

UNGARIE TO NARADHAN RAILWAY BILL:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Ungarie to Naradhan; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Ungarie to Naradhan; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of railway from Ungarie to Naradhan; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

12. REGENT'S PARK TO BANKSTOWN RAILWAY BILL:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of Railway from Regent's Park to Bankstown; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Regent's Park to Bankstown; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of railway from Regent's Park to Bankstown; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

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13. **Lee Wharf Extension Bill:**

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the extension of Lee Wharf at Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the extension of Lee Wharf at Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the extension of Lee Wharf at Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence:

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

14. **Hawkesbury Agricultural College (Laboratory) Bill**

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of additional laboratory accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of additional laboratory accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of additional laboratory accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence:

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

15. **Prince Alfred Hospital (Isolation Block) Bill**

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of an isolation block in connection with the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of an isolation block in connection with the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of an isolation block in connection with the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence:

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th December, 1923.
16. **BYRON BAY JETTY BILL**:

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the
construction of a Jetty at Byron Bay; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a jetty at Byron
Bay; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.
(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a
Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Drummond, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill
without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction
the construction of a jetty at Byron Bay; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents
the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

17. **KATOOMBA SEWERAGE BILL**: 

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the
construction of works for the amplification of the Katoomba Sewerage System; and for purposes
connected therewith.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of works for the
amplification of the Katoomba Sewerage System; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was
read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.
(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee
of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill
without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the
construction of works for the amplification of the Katoomba Sewerage System; and for purposes
connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

18. **BLACKHEATH WATER SUPPLY BILL**: 

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the
construction of works of water supply for the Municipality of Blackheath.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of works of water supply
for the Municipality of Blackheath,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.
(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee
of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill
without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the
construction of works of water supply for the Municipality of Blackheath,"—presents the same to
the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 13th December, 1923.

19. **WOLLONGONG SEWERAGE BILL**: 

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the
construction of a system of sewerage for the Municipality of Wollongong; and for purposes
consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
Question put and passed.
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(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a system of sewerage for the Municipality of Wollongong; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at Five minutes before Four o'clock, until Monday next, at half-past Four o'clock.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

21. PAPERS:

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Certified copy of agreement between the Council of the Shire of Boro and Mr. William Cobley (trading as "The Canowindra Electric Light and Power Supply") relating to a franchise granted by the Council to the said Mr. William Cobley for the supply by him of electric current for street and private lighting, and for power within an area in the said Shire, comprising the town of Canowindra and the adjoining district, within a radius of 5 miles from Canowindra Post Office.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Brunton laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Trustees of the Sydney Grammar School for 1922.

(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. W. Mennie as Library Assistant, Public Library of New South Wales.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

22. STOCK DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Captain Chaffey, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Captain Chaffey, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at Five minutes before Four o'clock, p.m., until Monday next, at half-past Four o'clock.

MONDAY, 17 DECEMBER, 1923.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

W. P. CULLEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to incorporate persons holding certain official positions as the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building; to vest certain moneys collected from the public in, and to confer certain powers upon, the said Corporation; to amend the Trustees (Audit) Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to The Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Office for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at Five minutes before Four o'clock, p.m., until Monday next, at half-past Four o'clock.

MONDAY, 17 DECEMBER, 1923.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

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25. **Messages from the Lieutenant-Governor:**—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by Sir George Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:

(1.) **Church of England Trust Property (Amendment) Bill (No. 2):**

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, in certain respects; to validate the formation of existing dioceses, and to sanction the existing boundaries thereof; to provide for the formation of new dioceses, and for the alteration of boundaries of dioceses; to validate conveyances of trust property of the Church of England in certain cases; to waive conditions of forfeiture in Crown grants of trust property of the Church of England; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

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(2.) **Royal Commissions Bill:**

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to Royal Commissions; to repeal the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 14th December, 1923.

(3.) **Necropolis (Amendment) Bill:**

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to enable part of the Necropolis to be set aside for the cremation of bodies; to amend the Necropolis Act, 1901; the Public Health Act, 1903; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

State Government House, Sydney, 14th December, 1923.

24. **Government Railways (Amendment) Bill:**

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

25. **Police Regulation (Appeals) Bill:**—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to constitute a Police Appeal Board and to make provision for the reference to such board of appeals by members of the police force; to amend the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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W. L. S. COOPER, Clerk of the Parliament's

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Page 2, clause 3. *Omit subclause (a), insert new subclause as follows.*

"(2.) Such assessors shall be members of the police force to be appointed by the Governor for a term of three years and one of such assessors shall be nominated by the Inspector-General and the other shall be nominated by the police force in manner prescribed."
26. METROPOLITAN WATER AND SEWERAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that the present members of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1880; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide that the present members of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1880; and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

27. SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY AMPLIFICATION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration tomorrow.

28. MONOPOLIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Bill read a second time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of additional works of water supply for the City of Sydney and adjoining districts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1923.

29. LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered that the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 42. Noes, 31.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Greig, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Bill, Mr. Wilson.
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. McNeil, Mr. Ball, Mr. Main, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Mark F. Morton.
Mr. Drummond, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Scott Fell, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Lieutenant-Col.-Col. Rutledge.
Mr. Fitzsimons, Dr. Stopford, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Mackay, Sir George Fullerton, Mr. Mackay.
Mr. Godstein, Mr. Walker, Mr. Greig, Mr. Wearing, Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Weaver.
Mr. Hill, Tellers.
Mr. Hopkins, Tellers.
Mr. Jackson, Tellers.
Mr. Jaques, Tellers.
Mr. Kilpatrick, Tellers.
Mr. Ley, Tellers.
Mr. MeNell, Tellers.
Mr. MeTierman, Tellers.
Mr. Michie, Mr. O'Brien.
Mr. Price, Mr. O'Flaherty.
Mr. Frank Burke, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Raffaelli.
Mr. Clark, Mr. W. J. Scully.
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.
Mr. Bolitho, Mr. Stock.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority consisted of "at least thirty Members."
Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out, stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

The House divided.

Debate continued.

Question again proposed, That this Bill be now read a third time.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

Mr. J. C. T. Fitzpatrick moved,—That the Question be now put.

Ordered, that the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

...consisted of "at least thirty Members,"...
31. **MEAT INDUSTRY ENCOURAGEMENT BILL:**

- (1.) Mr. Oakes moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to encourage and improve the meat industry; and for other incidental purposes.
  - Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to encourage and improve the Meat Industry; and for other incidental purposes,"—which was read a first time
  - Ordered for consideration, and read a second time at a later hour of the Day.

- (3.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. J. C. Fitzpatrick moved, "That" this Bill be now read a second time.

- Mr. Oakes moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Meat Industry Encouragement Bill, introduced in this House this day, be referred for consideration and report to a Joint Committee, consisting of seven Members of the Legislative Assembly, and five Members of the Legislative Council.

  - "That the representatives of the Legislative Assembly upon such Joint Committee be Mr. Bennett, Captain Dunn, Mr. Hill, Mr. McClelland, Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge, and the Mover,—put and passed.

- Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.

- Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted,—put and passed.

- Question then,—
  - (1.) That the Meat Industry Encouragement Bill, introduced in this House this day, be referred for consideration and report to a Joint Committee, consisting of seven Members of the Legislative Assembly, and five Members of the Legislative Council.

  - (2.) That the representatives of the Legislative Assembly upon such Joint Committee be Mr. Bennett, Captain Dunn, Mr. Hill, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. McClelland, Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge, and the Mover,—put and passed.

- Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

  "That the representatives of the Legislative Assembly upon such Joint Committee be Mr. Bennett, Captain Dunn, Mr. Hill, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. McClelland, Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge, and the Mover."

  - Ordered that the Bill be now read a third time

- Ordered, That the Bill be printed, and read a second time at a later hour of the Day.

32. **URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:**

- (1.) Mr. Oakes moved without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that a Bill, intituled "A Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

  - Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Oakes moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled "A Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

  - Question put and passed.

33. **PARLIAMENTARY SELECT COMMITTEES ENABLING BILL:**

- (1.) Mr. Oakes moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith.

  - Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Oakes then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

  - Mr. Oakes moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

  - Debate ensued.

  - Question put and passed.

- (3.) Bill read a second time.

  - On motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

  - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

  - On motion of Mr. Oakes, the Report was adopted.

  - Ordered that the Bill be now read a third time

- (4.) Bill read a third time.

  - Ordered, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

    "That the representatives of the Legislative Assembly hereby, this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

  - Ordered, That a Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

    "That the representatives of the Legislative Assembly hereby, this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

  - Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 17th December, 1923.
Mr. 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 amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain Acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 17th December, 1923.  
FRED. FLOWERS,  
President.

The House adjourned, at Fifteen minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow at Four o'clock.

W S MOWLE,  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  

DANIEL LEVY,  
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

ABOLITION OF WINE BARS AND 'WINE LICENSES:—The following Petitions, representing that wine bars and wino licenses constitute a grave danger to our young people, and praying that legislation for their abolition may be introduced forthwith,—were presented by Mr. Bagnall:—

(1.) From certain residents of the Electoral District of St. George.
(2.) From certain residents of Dulwich Hill, Ashfield, Hurststone Park, Five Dock, Sydenham, and Canterbury.
(3.) From certain residents of Canterbury, Hurststone Park, Concord, Ashfield, Summer Hill, Dulwich Hill, Balmain, Croydon, and Lakemba.
(4.) From certain residents of Canterbury, Ashfield, Summer Hill, Dulwich Hill, Hurststone Park, and Campsie.

Petitions received.

2. WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Captain Chaffey, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make certain provisions as to Private Irrigation Schemes, and Water and Drainage Trusts; to amend the Water Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Ordered, to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. PAPERS:—

Sir George Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report respecting the claim against the Government by Mr. Charles L. Garland for payment of £8,000 as compensation in connection with certain Gold-leases.
(2.) Statement respecting remarks by the Junee Police Magistrate in connection with the case of a juvenile immigrant before the Police Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.


Ordered to be printed.

Captain Chaffey laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report respecting the claim against the Government by Mr. Charles L. Garland for payment of £8,000 as compensation in connection with certain Gold-leases.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bruntnell laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Rules under the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act, 1923.
(2.) Report of the Trustees of the National Art Gallery for 1922.
(3.) Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for year ended 30th June, 1923.
(4.) Report by Mr. Walter Bethel, Secretary of the Child Welfare Department, concerning the organisation of the Children's Shelter and on certain remarks concerning children being boarded out in improper homes.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1923.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Oakes laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by Professor Warren on the ladder used by the Fire Brigade, at the Circular Quay Station.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
4. Administration of the Housing Board:—Mr. Lee (by consent) moved, without Notice, that the Select Committee now sitting on the “Administration of the Housing Board” have leave to report the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence taken before them, from time to time, to this House, and that the Committee have leave to make visits of inspection in connection with the inquiry. Question put and passed.

5. Conduct and Administration of Pony Racing:—Mr. O’Halloran (by consent) moved, without Notice, that the Select Committee now sitting on the “Conduct and Administration of Pony Racing” have leave to report the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence taken before them, from time to time, to this House, and that the Committee have leave to make visits of inspection within the Metropolitan Area in connection with the inquiry. Question put and passed.

6. Irrigation and Water (Amendment) Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was delivered by Captain Chaffey, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. P. Cullen,
Message No. 117.
Lieutenant-Governor,
In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the law relating to Irrigation, Water Rights, Water and Drainage, Artesian Wells; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Water Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Wentworth Irrigation Act, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the 11th.

7. Case of Mr. Frank Grehan, Late of Department of State Enterprises:—Mr. Fitzsimons, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this Subject was referred on 11th December, 1923.

Ordered to be printed.

8. Meat Industry Encouragement Bill:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly’s Message, dated 17th December, 1923, agrees to the Resolution of the Legislative Assembly for the appointment of a Joint Committee to consider and report upon the Meat Industry Encouragement Bill, and appoints that the first meeting of such Committee shall be held in No. 5 Committee Room on Wednesday, 19th December, 1923, at 3 o’clock, p.m., and that the representatives of the Legislative Council upon such Joint Committee be the Honorable C. J. McRae, the Honorable W. D. Warden, the Honorable H. E. Horne, the Honorable E. J. Kavanagh, and the Honorable T. G. Murray.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(2.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Oakes, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Assembly agrees to the time and place appointed by the Legislative Council in its Message, dated 18th December, 1923, for the first meeting of the Joint Committee on the Meat Industry Encouragement Bill.

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Sydney, 18th December, 1923.

And it being after half-past Six o’clock, Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order, adopted on 9th October, 1923.

9. Police Regulation (Appeals) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments. On motion by Mr. Oakes, the Report was adopted. Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled “An Act to constitute a Police Appeal Board and to make provision for the reference to such board of appeals by members of the police force; to amend the Police Regulation Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th December, 1923.
10. **GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (AMENDMENT) BILL:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Wearnre moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

The House divideal

Question put.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair accordingly.
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Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

(3.) Mr. Ball moved, "That" this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Gosling moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 2,"—instead thereof.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Clark, Major Connell,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dobree,
Mr. Bayne, Mr. Lee, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Duong,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main, Captain Dimm, Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Gosling,

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Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lee, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Ley, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Duong,
Mr. William, Mr. Lee, Mr. Main,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley, Mr. W. J. Scully.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Clark, Major Connell,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Duong,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Main, Captain Dimm, Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Gosling,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That this Bill be now read a third time,—put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, that the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intitled "An Act to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

12. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Sydney Water Supply Amplification Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intitled "An Act to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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(2.) Camurra to Boggabilla Railway Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Camurra to Boggabilla; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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(3.) Wyalong towards Condobolin Railway Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Wyalong towards Condobolin; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 18th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(4.) Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding Railway Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Uranquinty towards Moon's Siding; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(5.) Ungarie to Naradhan Railway Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Ungarie to Naradhan; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(6.) Regent's Park to Bankstown Railway Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of railway from Regent's Park to Bankstown; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 18th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(7.) Lee Wharf Extension Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the extension of Lee Wharf at Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 18th December, 1923.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(8.) Hawkesbury Agricultural College (Laboratory) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of additional laboratory accommodation at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(9.) Prince Alfred Hospital (Isolation Block) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of an isolation block in connection with the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital for the treatment of venereal diseases; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(10.) Byron Bay Jetty Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a jetty at Byron Bay; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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(11.) Katoomba Sewerage Bill.—
Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of works for the amplification of the Katoomba sewerage system, and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(12.) Blackheath Water Supply Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of works of water supply for the Municipality of Blackheath,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(13.) Wollongong Sewerage Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of sewerage for the Municipality of Wollongong; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(14.) Co-operation Community Settlement and Credit Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to co-operation; to provide for the formation, registration, and management of co-operative societies, including rural societies, trading societies, community settlement societies, community advancement societies, building societies, rural credit societies, urban credit societies, investment societies, and associations and unions of societies; to provide for an advisory council; and to repeal the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, and to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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President.

CO-OPERATION, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 18th December, 1923.

W. L. S. COOPER,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 3, clause 5. After line 38 insert the following new definition:—
"Mortgage" includes lien charge or other security over property.

Page 4, clause 5, lines 16 and 17. Omit "or deemed to be registered."

Page 9, clause 12. After line 14 insert new paragraph to stand as paragraph (j) as follows:—
"(j) issue bonds to the vendor or any other person in respect of, or to finance the purchase of any land acquired by the society."

Page 9, clause 12. At end of clause add new subclause as follows:—
"(2) Nothing in this Act shall prevent the society from issuing bonds to the vendor or any other person in respect of, or to finance the purchase of any land acquired by the society to the full amount of the purchase money."

Page 9, clause 12. After line 30 insert new subclause as follows:—
"(2) Before the resolution is moved a report from a Close Settlement Advisory Board shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

Page 12, clause 18, line 7. After "security" insert "or from advancing money on second mortgage where the prior mortgage is in favour of the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales."

Page 13, clause 18, line 15. After "the" insert "Commissioners of the."

Page 25, clause 35, lines 18, 19, and 20. Omit "a person carrying on agricultural operations for the benefit of himself or any other person in the State," insert "engaged in a rural industry in the State either for his own benefit or as a share-farmer, employee or otherwise and."

Page 25, clause 36, lines 23 and 24. Omit "carry on such agricultural operations" insert "be so engaged in a rural industry."

Page 25, clause 36, line 29. After "them" insert "substantially."

Page 40, clause 54, line 29. After "A" insert "trading society or a."

Page 40, clause 61, line 17. Omit "may" insert "shall."

Page 47, clause 66, line 16. After "society" insert "a community settlement society."
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Page 47, clause 66, lines 19 and 20. Omit "one half of the value of the net assets of the society" insert "the sum ascertained by deducting the amount of the debts owing by the society from the aggregate of the following amounts, that is to say—":

(a) one-half of the capital for the time being unpaid of the society, inclusive of the "contingent liability, if any, attached to the shares;"
(b) four-fifths of the amount for the time being secured to the society by mortgages from its members or other persons;
(c) one-half of the amount shown in the last audited balance-sheet as the value of "any other assets of the society exclusive of any goodwill."

Page 47, clause 66. Omit subclauses (3) and (4), insert the following new subclause:

"(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection two of this section, the total amount raised on loan by any of the societies therein mentioned during the first financial year of the society, or within four months after the expiration of that year, may be such sum as the society deems proper, if the society shall not have received deposits during such period."

Page 50, clause 70, line 7. After subclause (1) insert new subclause as follows:

"(2) The society shall not be so registered under a name which includes the word "Co-operative."

Page 53, clause 70. After subclause (3) insert new subclause as follows:

"(4) Every society which at the commencement of this Act is established or registered or deemed to be established or registered under the Building and Co-operative Societies Act, 1901, shall before the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, or before such later date as the registrar may authorise, transmit to the registrar the following particulars, that is to say—:
(a) a list of the directors and members of the society;
(b) a list of the charges payable by a member to the society;
(c) such other particulars as may be prescribed by regulation."

Page 55, clause 81, lines 9 and 10. Omit "or deemed to be registered."

Page 57, clause 82, lines 5 and 6. Omit "appointing remunerating and removing directors" insert "electing remunerating and removing directors and filling a vacancy, whether directors are to be elected annually or half-yearly, the period for which directors are to hold office, and whether directors are to retire by rotation or otherwise."

Page 61, clause 84, lines 21 and 22. Omit "annually or half-yearly."

Page 62, clause 84. Omit subclause (9) insert new subclause as follows:

"(9) The chairman of the board may be elected either by the board or at a general meeting of the society, and shall be elected, hold office, and retire, and may be removed from office, as prescribed by the rules of the society."

Page 67, clause 90, lines 28 and 29. Omit "deemed to be registered."

Page 67, clause 90, lines 34 and 35. Omit "deemed to be registered."

Page 84. First Schedule, line 3. After "Act" insert "except as otherwise provided by sections 11 (6) and 42 (7) of this Act."

Page 84, Third Schedule, line 20. After "111" insert "113."

Examined,—
B. R. O'Conor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

(15.) Liquor (Amendment) Bill —

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to vest in licensing magistrates to be appointed the powers and duties of the Licensing Courts and of the Licenses Reduction Board; to provide for the submission of the question of prohibition with compensation to the popular vote; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith."
— with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President

LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL.

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W. L. S. Cooper,
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Page 27, clause 24, line 9. After "radius" insert "and by inserting in the same section after the words 'prayer of the petition' the following proviso."

Page 31. Omit clause 35.

Examined.—

W. T. DICK,
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

13. MONOPOLIES BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Bavin, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the Day.

14. JUVENILE MIGRANTS APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lee moved,—That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 37. Noes, 23.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of 'at least thirty Members,'—

Question put,—"That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkless, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brunton, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Chaffey, Mr. Cocke, Mr. Cramton, Mr. Dee, Mr. Drummond, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fitzsimons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson,

Mr. Jacques, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Missing, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Mark, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Stopford, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Weir, Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Clark, Major Costell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Greig, Mr. Horrington, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. McCall, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. O'Hea, Mr. Batchiffe, Mr. W. J. Solly, Mr. Skelton.

Tellers,

Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Quick.

And if it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of 'at least thirty Members,'—

Question put,—"That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkless, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brunton, Mr. Beattie, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Chaffey, Mr. Cocke, Mr. Cramton, Mr. Dee, Mr. Drummond, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fitzsimons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson,

Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lane, Mr. Lee, Mr. Ley, Mr. Missing, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Mark, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Stopford, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Weir, Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Clark, Major Costell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Horrington, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gosling, Mr. Greig, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. McCall, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. O'Hea, Mr. Batchiffe, Mr. W. J. Solly, Mr. Skelton.

Tellers,

Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Quick.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Bavin moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Question put, —

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The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bruntill, Lieut.-Col. Brunning, Mr. Buxtonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chailey, Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Dorn, Mr. Drummond, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fittimmons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Godstein, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson.

Noes, 21.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Greg, Mr. Horrington, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. McGland, Mr. McEll, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. W. J. Scully, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

Wednesday, 10 December, 1923.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

Mr. Bavin moved, That the Report be now adopted. Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put. Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bruntill, Lieut.-Col. Brunning, Mr. Buxtonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chailey, Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Dorn, Mr. Drummond, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fittimmons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Godstein, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson.

Noes, 27.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Greg, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lazzati, Mr. McGland, Mr. McEll, Mr. Murphy, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Mitch, Mr. O’Hara, Mr. O’Hara, Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. O’Hara.

And it appears by the Tellers’ Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members."—Question put,—That the report be now adopted. The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Bruntill, Lieut.-Col. Brunning, Mr. Buxtonshaw, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chailey, Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Dorn, Mr. Drummond, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fittimmons, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Godstein, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jackson.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Baddley, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark, Major Connell, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Dooley, Captain Doon, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lazzati, Mr. McGland, Mr. McEll, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Mitch, Mr. O’Brian, Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. O’Hara, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, "That the Question be now put."

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Jacques, Mr.坡dley, Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Arthur, Mr. Love, Mr. Clark, Mr. O'Harro,
Mr. Ragdoll, Mr. Lee, Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Lee, Mr. Davidson, Mr. W. J. Scully,
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Missingham, Mr. William Davie, Mr. Black.
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morris, Mr. J. G. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Noon, Mr. Cameron, Mr. F. C. D. Clifton,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Oakes, Captain Drummond, Tellers,
Sir Arthur Cock, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Cromarty, Les-Col. Bettleidge, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Stopford, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Tibby, Mr. Gead, Tellers,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Merrett, Mr. Keggan, Tellers,
Mr. Fdlestone, Mr. Warne, Mr. Lawler, Tellers,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Wilson, Mr. McColl, Tellers,
Mr. Grimm, Tellers, Mr. McKee, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. D. Murray, Tellers,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Match, Tellers,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Morrow, Mr. O'Brien.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority,

Bills read a third time.

Mr. Bavin moved, That the Bill be read a third time.

Bill read a third time.

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

"An Act to establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants; to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Message to the Legislative Council sent accordingly.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Arkins, Mr. Jacques, Mr. Badeley, Mr. O'Halloran,
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lea, Mr. Clark, Mr. O'Harro,
Mr. Bagoll, Mr. Lee, Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Davidson, Mr. W. J. Scully,
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morris, Mr. William Davie, Mr. Black.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Noon, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Vincent,
Captain Chaffey, Mr. Oakes, Captain Drummond, Tellers,
Sir Arthur Cock, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Cromarty, Les-Col. Bettleidge, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Doe, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Dooley, Tellers,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Tibby, Mr. Gead, Tellers,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Merrett, Mr. Keggan, Tellers,
Mr. Fdlestone, Mr. Warne, Mr. Lawler, Tellers,
Mr. George Fuller, Mr. Wilson, Mr. McColl, Tellers,
Mr. Grimm, Tellers, Mr. McKee, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. D. Murray, Tellers,
Mr. Hill, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Match, Tellers,
Mr. Jackson, Mr. Morrow, Mr. O'Brien.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

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

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants; to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
15. **MONOPOLIES Bill.**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

**Question put.**

*The House divided.*

**Ayes 33.**

Mr. Arkie, Mr. Lane,
Mr. Biggadi, Mr. Revs,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Nineham,
Mr. Bennet, Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Brunson, Mr. Neinh,
Lient-Col. Brunner, Mr. Now,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes,
Captain CheFFey, Mr. Perkins,
Sir Arthur Cole, Dr. Stopford,
Mr. Cum worly, Mr. Thobry,
Mr. Doe, Mr. Vincent,
Mr. Drummond, Mr. Wearn,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wilson,
Mr. Fitzsimmons, Mr. Goldstein,
Sir George Fuller, Tellers,
Sir Thomas Henley, Mr. R.udge,
Mr. Bill,
Mr. Jaques.

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Mr. Baddiley, Mr. Mutch,
Mr. Clark, M. O'Halloran,
Mr. Davison, Mr. O'Hearn,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Quick,
Mr. Doyley, Mr. Ratcliffe,
Captain Dunn, Mr. Shleton,
Mr. Fitzgallard, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Flannery, Tellers,
Mr. Gisling, Major Connell,
Mr. Greig, Mr. W. J. Scully.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 law relating to monopolies and restraint of trade; to repeal certain sections of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

16. **PAPER.**—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Balance-sheets, Trading Accounts, &c., of the State Industrial Undertakings for the year ended 30th June, 1923, together with the Report of the Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered to be printed.

17. **CLAIMS OF MR. GEORGE H. DINGLE AGAINST THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.**—Mr. Nees, on behalf of Mr. Walker, Chairman, brought up a progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and report the Subject was referred on 9th October, 1923.

Ordered to be printed.

18. **LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ley, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, 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 this Bill.

The Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

19. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1) **Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling Bill.**

**Mr. Speaker.**—The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

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President.

(2) **Government Railways (Amendment) Bill.**

**Mr. Speaker,—**The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that the present Chief Railway Commissioner for New South Wales, and Assistant Railway Commissioners for New South Wales, shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,*

Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

**FRED. FLOWERS,**

President.
(3.) Metropolitan Water and Sewerage (Amendment) Bill:

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that the present members of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage shall remain in office until, and shall cease to hold office at, a date to be appointed by the Governor; to amend the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

20. ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOUSING BOARD:—Mr. Lee, as Chairman, brought up the Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this subject was referred on 13th November, 1923, together with Appendices. Ordered to be printed.

21. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Drummond moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion, No. 6, of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day, concerning the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the proposed creation of New States in New South Wales.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Drummond moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of Notice of Motion, No. 6, of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day, concerning the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the proposed creation of New States in New South Wales.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

22. CONDUCT AND ADMINISTRATION OF POST RACING:—Mr. O'Halloran, as Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this subject was referred On 9th October, 1923.

Ordered to be printed.

23. PROPOSED CREATION OF NEW STATES:—Mr. Drummond moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into and report upon the proposed creation of new States to be formed, in whole or in part, from the territory of New South Wales; and matters incidental thereto.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

Question—"That the Question be now put,"—put and passed.

Original question put and passed.

24. PAPERS:—Sir Arthur Cocks laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Minute of the Public Service Board, recommending the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. A. Watson as Chief Engineer, Surveyor, and Examiner in Steam, Department of Navigation, Department of the Treasury.

(2.) Minute by the Colonial Treasurer, in respect of the suspension of the provisions of the Stamp Duties Act in regard to stamp duty on Orders for payment of Salary and Wages.

(3.) Minute by the Colonial Treasurer, in regard to overlapping of Tonnage Rates at Newcastle, under the Harbour and Tonnage Rates Act, 1920.

(1.) Determinations by the Public Service Board or Salaries Committees under the Public Service (Amendment) Act, 1922, in respect of the following Departments, viz.:—

(a) Premier's.
(b) Chief Secretary's.
(c) The Treasury.
(d) Lands.
(e) Public Works, excluding Industrial Enterprises.
(f) Public Instruction.
(g) Local Government.
(h) Labour and Industry.
(i) Mines.
(j) Agriculture.
(k) Forestry Commission.
(l) State Industrial Undertakings.
(m) Attorney-General and of Justice.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

25. REGISTRATION OF STOCK BRANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fitzsimons, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Captain Chaffey, the Report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
26. **Shakespeare Tercentenary Memorial Fund Bill:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bruntnell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bruntnell, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(2.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the handing over of the Shakespeare Tercentenary Memorial Fund to the Trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales upon certain trusts, and for purposes connected therewith," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

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27. **Juvenile Migrants Apprenticeship Bill:**—Mr. 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 establish a system of apprenticing juvenile assisted migrants; to provide for the care and control of such migrants and their property and earnings; and for purposes connected therewith," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

28. **Postponement:**—The remaining Government Business was, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, postponed until To-morrow.

29. **Thomas Taylor Trust Estate Bill:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Jaques moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Jaques, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Jaques, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(2.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the will and codicil of Thomas Taylor, late of Inverell, in the State of New South Wales, widow, daughter, and other legatees of said residuary legatee, to make provision out of his estate for the maintenance of his widow, Bertha Taylor, and of his daughter, Thelma Taylor; to discharge the said Trustees from certain breaches of the trusts of the said will and codicil; and for other incidental purposes," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

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30. **Bishop Tyrell Trust Act Amendment Bill:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Cromarty moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Cromarty, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cromarty, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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(2.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with the following Message:

MR. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to further amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act, and to amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Act, 1918, in certain particulars; to provide for the alteration of one of the trusts; and for other purposes therein mentioned," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

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Sydney, 23rd November, 1923.

31. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until to-morrow, at Two o'clock
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at half-past Ten o'clock, until to-morrow, at Two o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY, Speaker.
THURSDAY 20 DECEMBER, 1923.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE RATING SYSTEM:—Mr. Gosling presented a Petition from the Council of the Municipality of Bexley, New South Wales, representing that the present method of imposing rates upon the assessed annual value of ratable property by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage and the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board is unjust and oppressive, and praying for the adoption of legislation imposing rates upon the unimproved capital value of land, in the same way as Municipal rates are imposed.

Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—

Sir George Puller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—


(2.) Statement by Premier regarding alterations in the Original Migration Agreement made between New South Wales, the Commonwealth and the Imperial Governments.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Vearey laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Lands and the Western Land Board for the year ended 30th June, 1923.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Bavin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Sir George Puller,—

(1.) Government Savings Bank (Amendment) Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; to validate certain Acts of the Commissioners; and for purposes connected therewith," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Lieutenant-Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His 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.

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By Mr. Ball,—

(2.) Curl Curl to Freshwater Tramway Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 48th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 19th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(3.) Haberfield to Dobroyd Point Tramway Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 48th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

(4.) Drummoyne to Five Dock Tramway Bill:—

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 48th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Drummoyne along Lyon's Road to Five Dock; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th December, 1923.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Gas Act, 1912—Amendment of Schedule Three:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having in accordance with the terms of Section 21 of the Gas Act, 1912, passed a resolution to amend Schedule 3 of that Act, transmits the said resolution to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

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That Schedule Three to the Gas Act, 1912, be amended by substituting for the proviso in paragraph 1 thereof the following new proviso:—

Provided that—

(a) where the gas of any gas company is supplied at such pressure as will at all times when tested in accordance with the provisions of section 7, balance a column of water not less than two inches in height, the illuminating power of the gas of such gas company may with the permission of the Minister and upon such conditions as he may from time to time impose, be determined inferentially by calculation from the heating power of the gas as established by an approved calorimeter in accordance with the regulations made under this Act. In any such calculation the ratio of one British thermal unit nett to 3/100ths of a candle power shall be accepted as a basis;

(b) the Minister may also in the case of gas companies other than the Australian Gas Light Company, the North Shore Gas Company Limited, and the City of Newcastle Gas and Coke Company Limited, authorise upon such conditions as he may from time to time impose, the use of Lowe's or any other approved jet photometer for testing the illuminating power of the gas.

EXAMINED,—

B. B. O'CONOR, Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the Legislative Council's Message be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

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5. ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THOMAS STEELE GREHAN, OF QUIRINDI:

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7. IRRIGATION AND WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL:

(1.) Sir Charles Rosenthal moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House, the Report from Mr. Stevens concerning the case of Mr. Garland, which Report is now on the Table of the House, justifies the view held by many Members that the Government should give effect to the recommendation of Mr. J. C. Watson, involving the payment to Mr. Garland of the sum of £5,000 in full settlement of all claims.

Question put and passed.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2) Sir Charles Rosenthal moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of a motion without Notice.

That in the opinion of this House, the Report from Mr. Stevens concerning the case of Mr. Garland, which Report is now on the Table of the House, justifies the view held by many Members that the Government should give effect to the recommendation of Mr. J. C. Watson, involving the payment to Mr. Garland of the sum of £5,000 in full settlement of all claims.

Question put and passed.

Debate ensued.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Keoghan, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Lang.

Mr. Butenshaw, Mr. Lang.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. McCollard.

Mr. Davidson, Mr. James McGeirr.

Mr. William Davie, Mr. McTernan.

Mr. Dooley, Mr. Main, Mr. Neiburt.

Mr. Drummond, Mr. Quirk.

Mr. Scott Full, Mr. Ratcliffe.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. W. J. Scully.

Mr. Flannery, Mr. Thorby.

Mr. Greg, Mr. Missingham.

Sir Thomas Henley, Sir Charles Rosenthal.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Arkison, Mr. Ley.

Mr. Ball, Mr. Morrow.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Noo.

Mr. Bennett, Mr. Oakes.

Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Perdrian.

Mr. Cameron, Mr. Taggart.

Captain Chaffey, Dr. Stephens.

Sir Arthur Coote, Mr. Walker.

Mr. Crean, Mr. Weare.

Mr. Do, Mr. Wilson.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Tellers.

Sir George Fuller, Tellers.

Mr. Hill, Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Jackson, Mr. Perkum.

Mr. Jacques, Mr. Loo.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2) Sir Charles Rosenthal moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of a motion without Notice.

That in the opinion of this House, the Report from Mr. Stevens concerning the case of Mr. Garland, which Report is now on the Table of the House, justifies the view held by many Members that the Government should give effect to the recommendation of Mr. J. C. Watson, involving the payment to Mr. Garland of the sum of £5,000 in full settlement of all claims.

Question put and passed.

Debate ensued.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Lieut.-Col. Brumer, Mr. James McGeirr.

Mr. Butenshaw, Mr. McTernan.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Main.

Mr. Davidson, Mr. Missingham.

Mr. William Davie, Mr. Neiburt.

Mr. Dooley, Mr. Quirk.

Mr. Drummond, Mr. Ratcliffe.

Dr. Fallon, Sir Charles Rosenthal.

Mr. Scott Full, Mr. W. J. Scully.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Mr. Flannery, Tellers.

Mr. Greg, Tellers.

Mr. Keoghan, Mr. Missingham.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Clark.

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Mr. McCollard.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jacques.

Mr. Arkison, Mr. Loo.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Morrow.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Mark F. Merten.

Mr. Bennett, Mr. Oakes.

Mr. Bruntell, Mr. Perdrian.

Mr. Cameron, Lieut.-Col. Rusbridge.

Captain Chaffey, Dr. Stephore.

Sir Arthur Coote, Mr. Walker.

Mr. Crean, Mr. Weare.

Mr. Do, Mr. Wilson.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Tellers.

Sir George Fuller, Tellers.

Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Nos.

Mr. Hill, Mr. Perdrian.

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Mr. Hill, Mr. Perdrian.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Tellers.

Sir George Fuller, Tellers.

Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Nos.

Mr. Hill, Mr. Perdrian.

And so it was resolved in the negative.

7. IRRIGATION AND WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL:

(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Irrigation, Water Rights, Water and Drainage, and Artesian Wells; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Water Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Wentworth Irrigation Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Debate ensued.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tomorrow.
8. WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions as to Private Irrigation Schemes, and Water and Drainage Trusts, to amend the Water Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Captain Challey, then presented a Bill, intituled, “A Bill to make certain provisions as to Private Irrigation Schemes, and Water and Drainage Trusts, to amend the Water Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,”—which was read a first time.

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

9. GAS ACT, 1912—AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE THREE:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Ley moved, That this House agrees to the resolution accompanying the Legislative Council’s Message, dated 19th December, 1923.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Arkins, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bruntsell, Mr. Cameron, Captain Chaffey, Sir Arthur Cooks, Mr. Doe, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Scrodde, Mr. Draper, Mr. Everett, Sir George Fuller, Mr. Goldstein, Sir Thomas Hasley, Mr. Hill, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. James, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Cass, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Davison, Mr. Dooley, Captain Dunn, Mr. Fallon, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Flannery, Mr. Greig, Mr. Lang, Mr. McLelland, Mr. James McIner, Mr. McKell, Mr. Minahan, Mr. Murray, Mr. O’Halloran, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Tellier, Mr. William Davie, Mr. Goaling.

Tellers,

Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gosling.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the Resolution, returned herewith, in reference to the Gas Act, No. 71, 1912—amendment of Schedule Three—without amendment.

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Tellers,

Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gosling.

10. CO-OPERATION, COMMUNITY SETTLEMENT, AND CREDIT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Bavin Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair; and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had amended some and agreed to the remainder of the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Bavin, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the Legislative Council’s Message, dated 18th December, requesting its concurrence in certain amendments made by the Council in the Co-operation, Community Settlement, and Credit Bill,—

Agrees to the amendment on page 47, clause 66, lines 19 and 20, which omits the words "one-half of the value of the net assets of the society" and inserts certain words, but proposes to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "deducting" the words "one half".

Agrees to the amendment on page 47, clause 66, which omits subclauses (3) and (4), and inserts new subclause (3), but proposes to further amend the clause by the insertion of the following new subclause to follow new subclause (3) inserted by the Council:—

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection two of this Section, the total amount raised on loan otherwise than by the issue of bonds, by any of the Societies therein mentioned may be such sum as the Society deems proper, if the Society shall not have issued bonds or received deposits, or if all bonds issued and deposits received have been repaid.

Agrees to the other amendments made by the Council in the Bill.

And the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council in its amendment upon the Council’s amendment and its further amendment in the Bill.

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Tellers,

Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gosling.
11. MONOPOLIES BILL.—Mr. 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 amend the law relating to monopolies and restraint of trade; to repeal certain sections of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.

12. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the following Bills, viz.:
Drummoyne to Five Dock Tramway Bill,
Haberfield to Dobroyd Point Tramway Bill,
Curl Curl to Freshwater Tramway Bill,—
be brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the following Bills, viz.:
Drummoyne to Five Dock Tramway Bill,
Haberfield to Dobroyd Point Tramway Bill,
Curl Curl to Freshwater Tramway Bill,—
being brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

13. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—(Tramway along Lyon's-road, Drummoyne, to Five Dock):—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a line of tramway along Lyon's-road, Drummoyne, to Five Dock, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

14. DRUMMOYNE TO FIVE DOCK TRAMWAY BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, without Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Drummoyne along Lyon's-road to Five Dock; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Drummoyne, along Lyon's-road, to Five Dock; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Drummoyne, along Lyon's-road, to Five Dock; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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15. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Sir Thomas Henley, as Chairman, brought up the Fifteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

16. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—(Tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point):—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.

Question put and passed.

17. HABERFIELD TO DOBROYD POINT TRAMWAY BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, without Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Ball moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

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(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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18. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—(Tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater).—

Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it is expedient, the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater, as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out.
Question put and passed.

19. CURL CURL TO FRESHWATER TRAMWAY BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Ball moved, without Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill intituled, "A Bill to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.
On motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Ball, the Report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.
Ordered, 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 sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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20. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:—

(1.) Railway from Dorrigo to Guyra.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, "That" it is "expedient" the report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, upon a proposed line of Railway from Dorrigo to Guyra, be referred to the said Committee for its further consideration and report, for the following reason:—That since the said report was made the desire has been expressed by certain public bodies to tender fresh evidence concerning the developmental and decentralization value of the said line of railway, which evidence was not before the said Committee when that report was completed, and which evidence is of such a character that it is considered, if tendered, it would probably have led the said Committee to arrive at a different and favourable conclusion.

Debate ensued.
Captain Dunn moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "expedient" and inserting the words "that the necessary provision be made to construct the proposed line of railway from Dorrigo to Guyra forthwith."

Mr. Deputy-Speaker said he could not accept this amendment. The Public Works Act required a certain procedure which was not out in Section 34. This Resolution was a proposal to remit to the Public Works Committee in terms of Section 34 (e) the question of the construction of a work which had been adversely reported upon by that Committee.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That," and inserting the words "it be an instruction to the Government to bring in a Bill at once for the purpose of making provision for the construction of the proposed railway line from "Guyra to Dorrigo."

Mr. Deputy-Speaker ruled the amendment out of order for the reasons which governed his previous ruling.

Debate ensued.

(2.) Railway from St. Leonards to Eastwood.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from St. Leonards to Eastwood.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Railway from Gilgandra to Tooraowenah.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Gilgandra to Tooraowenah.

Question put and passed.
21. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:**— Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council—

(1.) Co-operation, Community Settlement, and Credit Bill:—

**Mr. SPEAKER,**

The Legislative Council having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly’s Message, dated 20th December instant, in reference to the Co-operation, Community Settlement, and Credit Bill—agrees to the Assembly’s amendment upon the Council’s amendment and to the further amendment in the Bill.

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President.

(2.) Drummondyne to Five Dock Tramway:—

**Mr. SPEAKER,**

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Drummondyne, along Lyon’s-road, to Five Dock; and for purposes connected therewith”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

22. **PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:**—

(1.) Railway from Mendooran to Toorana:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Mendooran to Toorana.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Railway from Canowindra to Gregra:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Canowindra to Gregra.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Railway from Tempe to East Hills:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Tempe to East Hills.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Railway from Bankstown to George’s River:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Bankstown to George’s River.

Question put and passed.

(5.) Railway from Gordon to Narrabeen:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Gordon to Narrabeen.

Question put and passed.

(6.) Railway from Gooolongong to Wirringa:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Gooolongong to Wirringa.

Question put and passed.

(7.) Railway from Eugowra to a point on the Molong-Parkes-Forbes line:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Eugowra to a point on the Molong-Parkes-Forbes line.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(8.) Railway from Duri to Somerton:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Duri to Somerton.

Question put and passed.

(9.) Railway from Warren to Quambone:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Warren to Quambone.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(10.) Railway from Bombala to Eden:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Bombala to Eden.

Question put and passed.

(11.) Railway from Rooty Hill to Tahmoor:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Rooty Hill to Tahmoor.

Question put and passed.

(12.) Railway from Inverell to Ashford:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Inverell to Ashford.

Question put and passed.

(13.) Railway from Bourke to Barrington:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Bourke to Barrington.

Question put and passed.

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(14.) Railway from a point near Wollun, on the Main Northern Line, to Mount George, on the North Coast Line.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from a point near Wollum, on the main Northern line, to Mount George, on the North Coast line. Question put and passed.

(15.) Railway from Stroud Road to Port Stephens.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Stroud Road to Port Stephens. Question put and passed.

(16.) Railway from Casino, via Bonalbo, to Tabulam.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Casino via Bonalbo to Tabulam. Question put and passed.

(17.) Railway from Cooma to Adaminaby, and branch to Dalgety.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Cooma to Adaminaby and branch to Dalgety. Question put and passed.

(18.) Railway from Stroud Road to Port Stephens.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Stroud Road to Port Stephens. Question put and passed.

(19.) Railway from Sandy Hollow, via Gulgong, to Maryvale.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Sandy Hollow, via Gulgong, to Maryvale. Question put and passed.

(20.) Railway from Merriwa, via Cassilis, to Leadville.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Merriwa, via Cassilis to Leadville. Question put and passed.

(21.) Railway from Casino, via Bonalbo, to Tabulam.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Casino via Bonalbo to Tabulam. Question put and passed.

(22.) Railway from Longueville via Burns' Bay Road and Fig Tree Bridge to Gladesville.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of railway from Longueville via Burns' Bay Road and Fig Tree Bridge connecting with the Ryde tramway at Gladesville. Question put and passed.

(23.) Tramway from Chatswood to the Northern Suburbs Cemetery.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of tramway from Chatswood to the Northern Suburbs Cemetery. Question put and passed.

(24.) Tramway from Ryde to the Northern Suburbs Cemetery.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of tramway from Ryde to the Northern Suburbs Cemetery. Question put and passed.

(25.) Tramway from Crown-street Terminals, via Tolman Avenue, to the La Perouse Line at Anzac parade.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a line of tramway from Crown-street Terminals via Tolman Avenue to the La Perouse Line at Anzac Parade. Question put and passed.

(26.) Water Supply for the Municipality of Tarcoola.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a system of water supply for the Municipality of Tarcoola. Question put and passed.

(27.) Water Supply for the Municipality of Molong.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a system of water supply for the Municipality of Molong. Question put and passed.

(28.) Sewerage for the Illawarra Suburbs (Western Division).—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a proposed scheme of sewerage for the Illawarra Suburbs (Western Division). Question put and passed.

(29.) Extending and widening the Cottage Creek Stormwater Channel, Newcastle.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of carrying out the work of extending and widening the Cottage Creek Stormwater Channel, Newcastle. Question put and passed.

(30.) Improved wharfage accommodation at Merewether-street, Newcastle.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing improved wharfage accommodation at Merewether-street, Newcastle. Question put and passed.

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(31.) Bridge over the Richmond River at Woodburn.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a bridge over the Richmond River at Woodburn.

Question put and passed.

(32.) Bridge over the Richmond River at Ballina-street, Lismore.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing a bridge over the Richmond River at Ballina-street, Lismore.

Question put and passed.

(33.) Erection of a Public Hospital at Manly.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of erecting a public hospital at Manly, to be known as the Manly Peace Memorial Hospital.

Question put and passed.

(34.) Additional Accommodation for the Police and Prisons Department.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing proposed additional accommodation for the Police and Prisons Departments.

Question put and passed.

(35.) Alterations and Additions to the Public Health Department Buildings.—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of carrying out certain alterations and additions to the Public Health Department buildings.

Question put and passed.

(36.) Conservation of Water on the Lachlan River.—Captain Chaffey moved, pursuant to Notice, that it be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to consider and report upon the expediency of constructing works for the conservation of water on the Lachlan River.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, that Mr. Flannery, one of the Honorable Members for Murramebidges, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark.

Mr. Archer, Mr. Lane, Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Davidson.

Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Loy, Mr. Mr. William Davis, Mr. Dooley.

Mr. Ball, Mr. Main, Mr. Captain Dunn.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Mr. McCall.

Mr. Bonnett, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Mr. McCollard.

Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mr. McKellar.

Louie-Col. Brunner, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Mr. Mc lean.

Mr. Buttenhaw, Mr. Ness, Mr. Mr. Minahan.

Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Mr. D. Murray.

Captain Chaifey, Mr. Pedrau, Mr. Mr. Mutch.

Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Mr. O'Halloran.

Mr. Croome, Lieut.-Col. Bettleidge, Mr. Mr. Quirk.

Mr. Doe, Dr. Stapfird, Mr. Mr. W. J. Scully.

Mr. Drummond, Mr. Theobry, Mr. Mr. Doe.

Mr. Scott Fell, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Mr. Cromarty.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wicane, Mr. Mr. Lang.

Mr. Fitzsimmons, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Mr. Lea."".

Sir George Fuller, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Mr. McCallard.

Sir Thomas Henley, Tellers.

Mr. Hill, Tellers.

Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Arkins, Tellers.

Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lane.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne, Tellers.

Mr. McKell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Mr. Perdrian.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, that the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Birt, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Clark.

Mr. Akins, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Mr. Major Connell, Mr. Davidson.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Mr. Mr. William Davis, Mr. Dooley.

Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lane, Mr. Captain Dunn.

Mr. Ball, Mr. Loy, Mr. Mr. Mr. McCallard.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Mr. Minahan.

Mr. Bonnett, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Mr. D. Murray.

Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mr. Mutch.

Louie-Col. Brunner, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Mr. O'Halloran.

Mr. Buttenhaw, Mr. Ness, Mr. Mr. Quirk.

Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Mr. W. J. Scully.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne, Tellers.

Mr. McClelland, Mr. Lang,

Mr. Lang,

Mr. McCollard,

Mr. Mclean,

Mr. Minahan,

Mr. D. Murray,

Mr. Mutch,

Mr. O'Halloran,

Mr. Quirk.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne, Tellers.

Tellers.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Mr. Clark.

Mr. Major Connell.

Mr. Davidson.

Mr. Mr. William Davis, Mr. Dooley.

Captain Dunn.

Dr. Fallon.

Mr. Fitzgerald.

Mr. Flannery.

Mr. Gosling.

Mr. Greg.

Mr. Keegan.

Mr. Lang.

Mr. Mr. McCollard.

Mr. McFall.

Mr. Mr. McClean.

Mr. Minahan.

Mr. D. Murray.

Mr. Mutch.

Mr. O'Halloran.

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Mr. Clark.

Mr. Major Connell.

Mr. Mr. William Davis, Mr. Dooley.

Captain Dunn.

Dr. Fallon.

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Mr. Greg.

Mr. Keegan.

Mr. Lang.

Mr. Mr. McCollard.

Mr. McFall.

Mr. Mr. McClean.

Mr. Minahan.

Mr. D. Murray.

Mr. Mutch.

Mr. O'Halloran.

Mr. Quirk.

Mr. W. J. Scully.
23. Messages from the Legislative Council: Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council—

(1.) Haberfield to Dobroyd Point Tramway Bill:

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Haberfield to Dobroyd Point; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(2.) Curl Curl to Freshwater Tramway Bill:

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a line of tramway from Curl Curl to Freshwater; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

24. Administration of the Estate of the late Thomas Steele Grehan, of Quirindi:—Mr. Dooley, as Chairman, brought up the Progress Report from, and laid upon the Table the Minutes of Proceedings of, and evidence taken before the Select Committee for whose consideration and Report this subject was referred on 9th October, 1923, together with an Appendix. Ordered to be printed.

25. Marriage Amendment Bill (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued:
And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

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Mr. Ness moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 43.
Mr. Kilpatrick,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ley,
Mr. Missingham,
Mr. Morrow,
Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Ness,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Therby,
Mr. Fitzsimons,
Sir George Fuller,
Mr. Goldstein,
Mr. Scott Fell,
Mr. Fitzsimmons,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Wilson.

Tellers,
Mr. Main,
Mr. Perkins.

Mr. O'Halloran,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Ratcliffe,
Mr. W. J. Scully,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Skelton,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Clark,
Mr. Major Connell,
Mr. Davidessi,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley,
Captain Evans,
Mr. Fitzgerald,
Mr. Flannery,
Mr. Keegan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

26. Special Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Tuesday, 8th January next.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

27. Adjournment:—Sir George Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after One o'clock a.m., until Tuesday, 8th January next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

DANIEL LEVY,
Speaker.
PROCLAMATION.

NEW SOUTH WALES, to Wit.

(L.S.)

W. P. CULLEN, Lieutenant-Governor.

By His Excellency Sir WILLIAM PORTUS CULLEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Lieutenant-Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the second year of the Reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being "An Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution," it is amongst other things enacted, that the Governor of New South Wales may 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, Sir WILLIAM PORTUS CULLEN, the Lieutenant-Governor, in pursuance of the power and authority so vested in me, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council and Assembly until Tuesday, the nineteenth day of February, 1924, and the same stand so prorogued accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this twenty-second day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

GEORGE W. FULLER.

GOD SAVE THE KING!
NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

BUSINESS UNDISPOSED OF AT THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION.

(PROCOUNCLED 22 DECEMBER, 1923.)

QUESTIONS:—

1. MR. BAXNALL to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
   (1.) Is it a fact that the State Clothing Factory lost in the vicinity of £3,000 during its first three
   years of operation?
   (2.) What have been the respective profits for the past ten years?
   (3.) How long has the present Manager been in the Service, and when was he made a permanent
   officer?
   (4.) What are his qualifications for the position as Manager of the State Clothing Factory?
   (5.) Was the position circularised through the various Department of the Service, or advertised
   in the daily press?
   (6.) Is it a fact that the Fire Brigade Commissioners manufacture their own uniforms which were
   made at the State Clothing Factory, and why?
   (7.) What is the cost of a police summer and winter uniform jacket and trousers, also great coat?
   (8.) What is the cost per yard of the respective materials used?
   (9.) What is the cost of attendants’ cost and trousers, also cook’s costs, employed at Hospitals for
   Insane; the cost of material per yard?
   (10.) What is the cost of senior and junior messenger’s uniforms; the cost of material per yard?
   (11.) What is the cost of alpaca costs supplied to the service; the cost of material per yard?
   (12.) What is the cost of inspector’s uniform supplied to the Harbour Trust?
   (13.) What is the cost per yard of material?
   (14.) What is the cost of uniform for launch employees of the Harbour Trust?
   (15.) What is the cost of material per yard?
   (16.) What is the cost of special constable’s uniform of the Harbour Trust?
   (17.) Cost of material per yard?
   (18.) When were the last uniforms made for railway employees?
   (19.) What is the cost of tramway uniform?
   (20.) What is the cost of material per yard?
   (21.) How many are employed at the factory, permanent and temporary?

2. MR. BUTTENSHAW to ask THE SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS,—
   Is it his intention to refer the proposed railway from Goolagong to a point on the Forbes
   Stockinbingal line to the Public Works Committee this Session?

3. MR. WILLIAM DAVIES to ask THE MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS,—
   In view of the fact that the Sydney and Newcastle Districts have a suburban rate for travelling
   within a 34 miles radius, thereby enabling cheap transit, will he, in view of the increased population
   on the South Coast, grant a suburban area 34 miles north and south of Wollongong, so that the
   privileges enjoyed by the Sydney and Newcastle Districts may also be enjoyed by the residents of
   the South Coast?

4. SIR THOMAS HENLEY to ask THE COLONIAL TREASURER,—
   (1.) Is it a fact that up to the last financial year the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and
   Sewerage has paid into the Treasury surplus revenue amounting to £213,000, which must, by law,
   go to the Public Works Fund, to be re-voted for renewal purposes (established instead of a Sinking
   Fund)?
   (2.) Has it been brought under his notice that this sum includes last year’s surplus of £50,632,
   and notwithstanding this large sum standing to the credit of renewal works, £18,000 only is down
   on schedule to be re-voted this year for renewing worn-out mains and machinery?
   (3.) Will he approve of at least £100,000 of these surplus funds being handed back to the Board
   and stop such bad finance which compels the Board to make renewals out of Loan Money, involving
   the Board in paying unnecessary interest?
5. Mr. Keegan to ask The Premier,

(1.) In view of the statement made by the Premier ( hansard, 1923, page 1972) in justification of the action of the Public Service Board in refusing the basic wage increase to certain public servants owing to the operation of Regulation 119, in which the Premier said that the increase of £1 10s. per annum was in excess of the increase of the basic wage since 1912, — (a) Is it a fact that the increase attached to the minimum wage in the Public Service since 1918, as the result of the Board of Trade declaration, is £104? (b) Is it a fact that the increases in the basic wage for the years 1919 to 1918 were not reflected by any increase of the grade limit of Regulation 119? (c) Is it a fact that the Board of Trade declaration of 1918 was in that year applied to the minimum wage of the Public Service increasing it by £46, but that the increase was not attached to Regulation 119? (d) Is it a fact in 1919, neither the Board of Trade increases for that year nor for the previous year were attached during October and November to Regulation 119 grade, with the result that officers who were refused the basic wage increase by the operation of the Regulation were, in 1919, owing to the Public Service Board's administration of this Regulation, receiving a salary below the declared living wage! (e) Is it a fact that in December, 1919, only the Board of Trade Declaration of that year (£44) was attached to the salaries of officers on the £200 grade limit, and not the £46 of the previous year? (f) Is it a fact that in 1920 the grade limit was raised to £255 to include the basic wage increases of 1919 (£14) and 1920 (£21) and not the increase of 1918 (£46)? In order to reflect the increases since 1918 should not the grade limit have been increased from £200 to £311? (g) Is it a fact that in 1922 the grade limit was raised from £255 to £301 to accommodate the Arbitration Court award increase of £40 retrospective to 1921, and did not accommodate the Board of Trade increase of £46 given in 1918, and the loss of which officers suffered over each of the three years from 1918 to 1921? (h) Is it a fact that an officer who by a merit increase of £13 for efficiency (and adjustments) had his salary raised in 1920 to £286, has only received £18 of the £32 cost of living increase attached to the service since 1920? (i) Will he bring the above before the notice of the Public Service Board.

6. Mr. Lazzarini to ask The Attorney-General,—

(1.) (a) The total number of officers in the Clerical Division of the Public Service receiving a salary of £200 a year and upwards; (b) the number who have passed the statutory examination now fixed at £398; (c) the number of such officers in (a) who have been granted the benefit of the two recent increases of 1s. and 3s. per week granted by the Board of Trade? (2.) (a) The total number of officers in the Clerical Division of the Public Service receiving a salary of over £301 and upwards, inclusive of those in (1) (a); (b) the number of such officers who have passed the grade examination under Regulation 119, also the number who have passed the statutory examination now fixed at £398; (c) the number of such officers in (a) who have been granted the benefit of the two recent increases of 1s. and 3s. per week granted by the Board of Trade? (3.) The number of clerical officers who have been refused the basic wage increases of 1s. and 3s. owing to their not having passed (a) the statutory examination at £398; (b) regulations 119?

7. Mr. McClelland to ask The Secretary for Lands,—

Is it the intention of the Government to see that the immigrant settlers, who are to commence training on Arrawatta Estate early next year, must possess a minimum capital of £500?

8. Mr. McGovern to ask The Minister for Railways,—

(1.) Are there any delays in providing relief to permit officers in the Railway Service going on long-service leave after same has been approved? (2.) If so, what is the cause of the delay? (3.) Are guards in the Metropolitan District unable to obtain their annual leave on account of no relief being available? (4.) Is the staff of guards for the whole service adequate? (5.) Is the roster day off frequently annulled owing to no relief being available?

9. Mr. McGovern to ask The Minister for Railways,—

(1.) To what extent, if any, has the competition of Motor-buses affected the growth of Tramway Revenue? (2.) To what extent, if any, has the rise and growth of the Motor-bus Traffic affected the Capital Value of the Tramway System?

10. Mr. O'Hearn to ask The Minister for Railways,—

Will he consider the advisability of having the extension of the railway from Toronto to Cobol Point carried out, in view of the increase of population in this district?

11. Mr. O'Hearn to ask The Minister for Railways,—

Will he consider the advisability of carrying out the Electrification of the Maitland Tramway as soon as possible, and not be guided by the loss on the present Steam Service, seeing that such loss was not as heavy as the loss on the Steam Service at Newcastle?

12. Mr. O'Hearn to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—

Is it a fact that the Water Supply at Dungog is now in a serious condition, on account of supplies being diverted to Newcastle, will he see that sufficient supplies are made available for Dungog?

13. Mr. Pemberton to ask The Secretary for Lands,—

(1.) How many soldiers have the Government settled on the land to date? (2.) What is the total cost to date? (3.) How many are in arrears with payments? (4.) How many have abandoned their holdings? (5.) What is the amount of the arrears (a) in principal; (b) in interest?
14. Mr. Perkins to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Is it not a fact that the figures supplied by the Chief Commissioner were for outwards passengers only?
(2.) Is it not a fact that actual passenger revenue for Newcastle for 1923 shows an increase over that for previous years?
(3.) Is it not a fact that the large number of passengers, inwards and outwards, using Newcastle Station during 1922, was in excess of those for previous years?
(4.) Is it not a fact that the total number of passengers, inwards and outwards, using Newcastle Station during 1922, was in excess of those doing so in 1923?
(5.) Is it not a fact that the total number of passengers, inwards and outwards, using Newcastle Station during 1922, was in excess of those doing so in 1923?
(6.) Is it not a fact that the total number of passengers, inwards and outwards, using Newcastle Station during 1922, was in excess of those doing so in 1923?

15. Mr. Perkins to ask the Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Railways,—
(1.) Is it the intention of the Railway Commissioners to proceed with the erection of the trucking yards at South Goulburn during the current financial year?
(2.) Will he urge upon the Commissioners the importance of this work, as promised to a recent deputation?
(3.) Is it a fact that owing to the altered arrangements in connection with the conveyance of 0.36 yards at South Goulburn during the current financial year?
(4.) Is it a fact that the Railway Commissioners intend permanently discontinuing the use of mark 2 passengers only?
(5.) If so, why is preferential treatment given to the North electorate?

16. Mr. Perkins to ask The Minister of Public Instruction,—
(1.) Is it a fact that extensive alterations in connection with the conveyance of school children to country schools, that there has been a considerable falling off in school attendances at (a) Cathcart, (b) Numeralla, (c) Bombala, (d) Netheroote, (e) other places in the Goulburn electorate?
(2.) Will he take steps to see that if such is the case, everything possible is done either in opening additional schools, increasing the subsidy allowance, or providing education by correspondence in the interests of the children concerned?

17. Mr. Perkins to ask The Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Railways,—
(1.) Is it not a fact that the Railway Commissioners intend permanently discontinuing the use of corridor cars on the daily passenger train running between Sydney and Goulburn?
(2.) Is it not a fact that these carriages are now running on the North Coast line, and has been since the opening of the new section between Macksville and Urunga?
(3.) If so, why is preferential treatment given to the North as against the South?
(4.) In view of the popularity of these corridor carriages on the Goulburn train, will he confer with the Commissioners re their restoration?

18. Mr. Skilton to ask The Premier,—With regard to the figures supplied by the Chief Railway Commissioner and read by him, when interviewed at Newcastle on Saturday, 8th December:
(1.) Is it not a fact that the figures supplied by the Chief Commissioner were for outwards passengers only?
(2.) Will he instruct this gentleman to make careful inquiries in a certain industry, or rather occupation, in which death claims 1 in every 200 persons so engaged each year?
(3.) Will he bring this awful toll of health not only under the Director of Industrial Hygiene, but, more than that, under the notice of the Department which he personally controls?

19. Dr. Stopford to ask The Minister for Public Health,—
(1.) Will he inform this House if the Director of Industrial Hygiene has commenced his duties?
(2.) Will he instruct this gentleman to make careful inquiries in a certain industry, or rather occupation, in which death claims 1 in every 200 persons so engaged each year?
(3.) Will he bring this awful toll of health not only under the Director of Industrial Hygiene, but, more than that, under the notice of the Department which he personally controls?

GENERAL BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:
1. Mr. Bagnall to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill providing that female workers shall receive the same rates of pay as male workers when rendering equal service.
2. Mr. Bagnall to move, That this House approves of the Government taking steps to organise a special staff of trained housekeepers to assist in the homes of mothers who cannot afford the assistance they require when in ill-health, such housekeepers to be public servants and procurable on the order of a doctor.
3. Mr. Bagnall to move, That this House approves of loan expenditure being confined to decentralisation, railway connections, water conservation and irrigation, and provision of concrete road highways with network of feeders.
4. Mr. Bagnall to move, That, in the opinion of this House, steps should be taken by the Government to provide that the system of Proportional Representation be carried to its logical conclusion by amending the Constitution to enable the members of the Cabinet to be elected from the whole House by proportional voting.
5. Mr. Backall to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill providing for compulsory insurance to cover superannuation, pension, or gratuity, sickness, life insurance, and unemployment, such insurance to be financed by equal contributions by employers and employees at the rate of 2½ per cent. in the £ weekly.

6. Mr. George Cann to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of E. Dewe, formerly an employee of the Government Railways.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ley, Mr. Horsington, Mr. McClelland, Mr. Ness, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Goldstein, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Thorby, and the Mover.

7. Mr. George Cann to move,—That in the opinion of this House,—(a) In view of the facts disclosed by the Valuer-General's work in three shires on the North Coast, in the main sustained by the decisions of Mr. Justice Pike, the payment of Government grants to other North Coast Shires should be suspended until a proper valuation of the land has been made under the provisions of the Valuation of Land Act. (b) Such action is necessary to safeguard the interests of the taxpayers now properly valued, yet taxed to contribute towards subsidies for areas where the land is grossly under-valued.

8. Mr. Fitzsimons to move, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Frank Gribben, late of the Department of State Enterprises, brought up on the 18th December, be now adopted.

9. Mr. Goldstein to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing,—

(1.) The amount of capital cost of the Trawling industry.

(2.) The estimated value likely to be received by the sale of the assets of the said industry.

(3.) Whether any of the assets have been sold, to whom, and the price obtained.

(4.) The number of men employed on the administrative staff prior to the Minister deciding to close down the said industry.

(5.) The number of men employed on the administrative staff of the said industry to-day.

(6.) On what date it is anticipated that the undertaking will be finally disposed of.

(7.) The names of all officers engaged on the administrative staff in liquidating the said industry, and the salaries of each.

10. Mr. Goldstein to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Electoral Act should be amended to provide for the election of Members of the Legislative Assembly on the basis of single Electorates.

11. Mr. Goldstein to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the whole question of the Ambulance Services of the State; to investigate their efficiency, and to propose remedies where necessary.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Gosling, Dr. Stopford, Mr. Kilpatrick, Mr. Skelton, and the Mover.

12. Mr. Goldstein to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that legislation be introduced for the purpose of providing that upon the expiration of a reasonable period after the initiation of proceedings in an action for defamation, if the action had not then been set down for trial, a person shall not be guilty of contempt of court by reason merely of the fact that he has made or published any statement concerning the subject matter of the said action.

13. Mr. Lang to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claims to superannuation allowance of Mr. William Henry Dunn, an ex-employee of the Sydney Harbour Trust.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Sir Arthur Cocks, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Greig, Mr. George Cann, and the Mover.

14. Mr. Lee to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the possibilities of light railways as feeder lines to the main trunk lines, and as an aid to land settlement and development.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Anderson, Lieut.-Colonel Rutledge, Sir Charles Rosenthal, Mr. Thorby, Mr. George Cann, Captain Dunn, and the Mover.

(3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House.

15. Mr. Skelton to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the case of Charles Henry Stephan, who was dismissed from the Railway service, in connection with irregularities at Artarmon Railway Station.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Major Connell, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. O'Halloran, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Missingbarn, Mr. Kilpatrick, and the Mover.

(3.) That such Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
16. Mr. Stuart-Robertson to move.—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon, the state of the rolls at the elections held on 23th March, 1922; to ascertain whether persons not entitled to vote voted, and whether impersonations took place; if so, by whom.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Ness, Mr. Lane, Mr. Main, Mr. D. Murray, Mr. Fynnery, Mr. Lazzardini, and Mr. Ratcliffe, and the Mover.
(3.) That such Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.

17. Mr. Stuart-Robertson to move. That, in the opinion of this House, all arbitration awards based upon the findings of the Board of Trade should be retrospective from the date of the decision of the Board of Trade.

18. Mr. Stuart-Robertson to move. That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. M. Purcell, brought up on 7th December, 1922, a.m., be now adopted.

19. Mr. Stuart-Robertson to move.—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the question of Monopolies in Foodstuffs and the number of Dwelling Houses available up to 25s. per week within the Metropolis area.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Sir George Fuller, Mr. Ratcliffe, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Hill, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Missingham, Mr. Clark, and the Mover.
(3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.

20. Mr. Weaver to move,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the cases of John Patrick Lloyd and Leading Examiner Wilson, and the Railway Staff Board's finding in connection with their inquiry into these cases.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Skelton Mr. Ness, Mr. Lee, Mr. Molesworth, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Morrow and the Mover.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Basic Wage Computation; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Stuart-Robertson, —“That, in the opinion of this House, the Basic Wage recently declared is totally inadequate to keep a man, his wife, and two children, the computation of same being based upon a fictitious basis and should be fixed at a much higher rate.”

2. Case of William Morris, of Forest Lodge; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Stuart-Robertson,—
“(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of William Morris, of Forest Lodge, arising out of an action, Morris v. Terkin, for compensation for injury, in accordance with the provisions of the Workmen’s Compensation Act.
“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Bavin, Mr. McTiernan, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Lane, Mr. Molesworth, Captain Dunn, Mr. Ratcliffe, Mr. Vincent, and the Mover.
“(3.) That such Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.”

3. Marriage (Amendment) Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Main, —“That this Bill be now read a second time.”

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

1. Mr. Ball to move. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Water Supply, Sewerage, and Drains of certain districts in and adjacent to the County of Cumberland; to repeal the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

2. Mr. Bavin to move. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that insanity shall in certain cases be a ground for divorce; to repeal the provisions under which failure to comply with a decree for the restitution of conjugal rights is a ground for a divorce; to amend the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1899, in those and certain other respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

3. Captain Chaffey to move. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to improve the breed of horses; to provide for the inspection and registration of stallions, and for the issue of certificates in respect of stallions which are sound and of an approved standard; and for purposes connected therewith.

4. Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to move. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Housing Board; to confer certain powers upon the Minister; to provide for the vesting of certain lands in the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and for the vesting of certain lands and securities in the Commissioners of the Government Savings Bank of New South Wales; to confer on the said Commissioners respectively certain powers of management and other powers; to validate certain acts of the Housing Board and the Minister; to amend the Housing Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

5. Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to move. That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the licensing and regulation of real estate and stock agents; to prohibit certain acts by unregistered agents; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
6. Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the better construction, maintenance, and financing of main roads; to constitute a Main Roads Board; to amend the Local Government Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

7. Sir George Fuller to move, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, Government Business only shall be dealt with on Tuesday in each week.

8. Sir George Fuller to move, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business at 4 o'clock, p.m., on Monday in each week, and Government Business only shall be dealt with.

9. Mr. Ley to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain alterations in the law relating to auctioneers; to authorise the issue of auctioneers' licenses for New South Wales to auctioneers resident in other States of the Commonwealth of Australia; to amend the Auctioneers Licensing Act, 1886, and the Sydney Corporation Act of 1902; and for purposes connected therewith.

10. Mr. Ley to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the relief and protection of tenants; to amend the Fair Rents Act, 1915, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

11. Mr. Ley to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt dentists from serving upon a jury; and to amend the Jury Act, 1912.

12. Mr. Oakes to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the filling of vacancies in the Legislative Assembly; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Acts, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

13. Mr. Oakes to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection (Amendment) Act, 1922; and for purposes connected therewith.

14. Mr. Oakes to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Gun License Act, 1920; and for purposes connected therewith.

15. Mr. Oakes to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to weights and measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916, the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

16. Mr. Wearne to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision as to the eradication of prickly pear, and to authorise the Colonial Treasurer to make advances out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for that purpose, repayable on extended terms; to provide for the supply of poisons and other destructive agencies; to authorise the setting apart and the leasing or grant of year-infested areas of Crown land, upon terms and conditions providing for eradication of the pear; to impose obligations to eradicate pear upon landowners and certain local authorities; and to provide for penalties for the failure to carry out the obligations; to constitute a board to administer the Act; to repeal the Prickly Pear Destruction Act, 1901; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

17. Mr. Wearne to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision as to the resumption of private estates contiguous to the proposed lines of railway for closer settlement purposes; to amend the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

18. Mr. Wearne to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Wellington Cattle Saleyards Act, 1904.

19. Mr. Wearne to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the disposal of certain lands on the Forest Vale Estate acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to validate certain measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

20. Mr. Wearne to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the filling or transfer of lands on the Forest Vale Estate acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to validate certain measures; to amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Local Government (Advertisement Hoardings), Amendment Bill; third reading. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

2. Jams Water Supply Administration (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Mr. Ball.]

3. Hunter District Water and Sewerage (Amendment) Bill; to be further considered in Committee. [Mr. Ball.]

4. Dangerous Drugs Bill; second reading. [Mr. Bavin.]

5. Crimes (Amendment) Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Bavin, "That this Bill be now read a second time."

6. Irrigation and Water (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Captain Chaffey.]

7. Water (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Captain Chaffey.]

8. Plant Diseases Bill; second reading. [Captain Chaffey.]

9. Plant Diseases Bill; second reading.
9. Bankstown Resumption Rescission Bill; second reading. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

10. Mines Inspection (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

11. Marriage Amendment Bill (No. 2); resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ley. "That this Bill be now read a second time."

12. Prisoners Detention (Amendment) Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. Ley.]

13. Nurses' Registration Bill; second reading. [Mr. Oakes.]

14. Supply; resumption of the Committee. [Sir Arthur Cocks.]

15. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee. [Sir Arthur Cocks.]
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Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 22nd December, 1923.

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
DURING THE SESSION OF 1923.

1. New Writs issued
2. Select Committees
   - On Public Matters
   - On Private Matters
   - On Private Bills
   - On Public Bill (Joint Committee)
3. Standing Committees
4. Public Bills
   - Originated in the Assembly
     - Received the Royal Assent
     - Otherwise disposed of
   - Brought from the Council
     - Received the Royal Assent
     - Otherwise disposed of
5. Private Bills
   - Originated in the Assembly
     - Received the Royal Assent
     - Otherwise disposed of
   - Brought from the Council
     - Received the Royal Assent
     - Otherwise disposed of
6. Petitions received
   - Printed
   - Not Printed
7. Divisions
   - In the House
   - In Committee of the Whole
8. Sittings (for details see paragraph 16, page 2):
   - Days of Meeting
   - Hours of Sitting
   - Hours of Sitting after Midnight
   - Daily Average
   - Adjourned for want of a Quorum
     - Before commencement of Business
     - After commencement of Business
9. Votes and Proceedings
   - Entries in Votes and Proceedings
     - Of Business done
     - Daily Average
     - Entries in Question Paper
     - Of Questions answered
     - Daily Average
     - Entries in Notice Paper
     - Of Questions
     - Of Notices of Motion
     - Of Orders of the Day
     - Daily Average
   - Contingent Notes Papers
10. Orders for Papers
11. Addresses for Papers
12. Other Addresses
13. Papers laid upon the Table
   - By Message
   - By Command
   - In Returns to Orders
   - In Returns to Addresses
   - Reports from Standing and Select Committees
14. Ordered to be Printed
15. Not ordered to be Printed
5. Sittings of the House:—

Return of the number of days on which the House sat in the Session of 1923, stating, for each day, the date of the month and the day of the week, the hour of the meeting and the hour of adjournment, and the total number of hours occupied in the sittings of the House and the average time; and showing the total number of hours on which the House sat each day, and the number of hours after midnight, and the number of entries in each day's Votes and Proceedings:—

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Remarks:

- Committee of Supply—Motion for leave to sit again negatived, 16 November, 1923.
- Mainland Orders suspended—Deputy to send down order on request of Committee of Supply [see Examiners Paper, 27 November, 1923.]
- Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 22 November, 1923. Bill not brought in.
- Point of Order: Reported from Committee—That the Champion was wrong in calling that proposed new clause giving Minister discretionary power to refuse to issue license. Report negatived, 17 December, 1923. Bill not brought in.
- Council's Amendment agreed to and amended 28 December, 1923. Council agreed to amendment on its own motion, and Assembly's further Amendment, 26 December, 1923.
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**No. 2.**

Register of Public and Private Bills Brought from the Council During the Session of 1923.

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### APPENDIX.

Showing stage which Bills reintroduced under Standing Orders reached in former Session.

1. **Public Bills—Assembly.**
   - Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement); ordered for Second Reading.
   - Police Regulation (Appeals); to be further considered in Committee.
   - Public Trustee (Amendment); to be further considered in Committee.

2. **Public Bills—Council.**
   - Board of Commissioners (Amendment); ordered for Second Reading.
   - Factors (Mercantile Agents); ordered for Second Reading.
   - Prisoners Detention (Amendment); ordered for Second Reading.
   - Sale of Goods; ordered for Second Reading.

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 22 December, 1923,

W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Sydney: Alfred James Kern, Government Printer.—1924.
### Register of Addresses and Orders for Papers During Session, 1923

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<td>Mr. Garrard</td>
<td>Convictions under the Liquor Acts</td>
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<td>7 August, 1923 (In part)</td>
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#### Register of Addresses (not being for Papers) to the Governor During Session 1923

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<td>Mr. Jagues</td>
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Legislative Assembly Office, Sydney, 22nd December, 1923.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
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<td>Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Main, Mr. Scott, Mr. Loxton, Mr. McTeeran, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Main, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Stuart-Robertson.</td>
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<td>Mr. Ball, Mr. Meechey, Mr. Meechey, Mr. Meechey.</td>
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<td>9 November, 1923. Votes No. 28, Entry 9. (On motion of Mr. Dooley.)</td>
<td>Mr. Ley, Dr. Steer, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Dooley.</td>
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* Empowered to sit during any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament under Act No. 35, 1923.

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