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No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION, OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE, 1918.

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION.—The House met at Twelve o'clock at Noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-seventh day of May, 1918.

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 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.

WHEREAS the Parliament of New South Wales now stands prorogued to Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of May instant: And I do hereby further prorogue the said Parliament to Wednesday, the twelfth day of June next: And I do hereby further announce and proclaim that the said Parliament shall assemble for the despatch of business on the aforesaid twelfth day of June 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 twenty-seventh day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth year of His Majesty's Reign.

"By His Excellency's Command,

R. T. BALL.

2. DEATH OF CHARLES STUART FERN, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR COBAR.—Mr. Speaker reported that during the recess he had received from the Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on the 18th April, 1918, of Charles Stuart Fern, Esquire, lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Cobar.

3. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CObAR:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that during the recess he had received a letter from Macarthey Abbott, Esquire, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Upper Hunter, and intimated that the Honorable Member desired him to convey to Honorable Members on all sides of the House his grateful appreciation of the generous treatment which he had uniformly received throughout the whole of his brief political life.

(2.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during the recess, in accordance with the direction of the 70th Section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, he had issued a Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Cobar, in the room of Charles Stuart Fern, Esquire, deceased, and that the said Writ had been duly returned to him, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

4. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF UPPer HUNTER:—

(2.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during the recess, in accordance with the direction of the 70th Section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, he had issued a Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Upper Hunter, in the room of Macartney Abbott, Esquire, resigned; and that the said Writ is returnable on or before the twenty-fifth day of June instant.
5. PAPER.—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, viz.:

(a) £100 from Vote, “Salary of Officer of Public Works Department, temporarily employed,” to Vote, “To meet cost of Experiments with Prickly-pear.”

(b) £75 from Vote, “Towards expenses of providing accessories in connection with Official Entertainments at State Government House,” to Vote, “State Governor’s Residence, Hillview.”

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. ILLNESS OF THE SERJEANT-AT-ARMS.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that owing to the illness of the Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. W. S. Christie, he had granted him leave of absence.

7. THE ACTING SERJEANT-AT-ARMS.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission in favour of Harold Laurence Hensleigh Harnett, Esquire, who had been appointed by the Governor and Executive Council, Acting Sergeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Assembly, during the absence of William Sydney Christie, Esquire, the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Speaker then administered to Mr. Harnett, the Oath of Allegiance and of Office, respectively, as Acting Sergeant-at-Arms to the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

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

(1.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the establishment of a Board of Trade; to provide for the better organisation of the labour market; to modify the provisions for the repression of lock-outs and strikes; to establish special and deputy Courts of Industrial Arbitration; to provide for secret compulsory ballots in certain cases; to enlarge the powers of trade unions, and to extend the rights and responsibilities of their members; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Trade Union Act, 1881, the Apprentices Act, 1901, the Apprentices (Amendment) Act, 1915, 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.

Government House, Sydney, 22nd March, 1918.

(2.) The Synod of Eastern Australia Property Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled “An Act to make better provision for the vesting, holding, and management of, and dealing with all property in the State of New South Wales held by or on behalf of or in connection with the Synod of Eastern Australia or any congregations, bodies, and adherents connected therewith, and whether standing in the names of the said synod or any congregations, bodies, or adherents connected therewith, or any person or persons holding the same in trust for the said synod or any such congregations, bodies, or adherents, and for other purposes in connection with the premises”—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.

Government House, Sydney, 20th March, 1918.

(3.) Western Lands (Amendment) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled “An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Western Lands Act of 1901, and the Western Lands (Amendment) Act of 1905; and for other 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 numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House, Sydney, 21st March, 1918.
Western Lands (Declaratory) Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the extension of the term of office of the Commissioners of the Western Land Board as from the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen; to validate certain powers exercised and acts done on and after the said date; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 19th March, 1918.

Wardell Road to Darling Island Railway Deviation (Tunnels) Amendment Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Wardell Road to Darling Island Railway Deviation (Tunnels) Act, 1916; the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Public Works Act, 1912; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 19th March, 1918.

Canterbury, Campsie, Belmore, and Bankstown Sewerage Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a system of sewerage for the Canterbury, Campsie, Belmore, and Bankstown districts; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 19th March, 1918.

Granville, Auburn, and Lidcombe Sewerage Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a system of sewerage for the Granville, Auburn, and Lidcombe; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 19th March, 1918.

Northern Suburbs Sewerage Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to sanction the construction of a system of sewerage with ocean outfall for the Northern Suburbs of Sydney; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 19th March, 1918.

Judges Retirement Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the retirement of certain judges, and to provide for their pensions on such retirement; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Judges Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, 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 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.
9. 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 proceed into the Legislative Council Chamber."

The House went,—and being returned, adjourned, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, at twenty-eight minutes after Twelve o'clock, until Four o'clock this Day.

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

10. Member sworn:—Mark Anthony David-on, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Cobar.

11. Temporary Chairmen of Committees:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 28, nominated,—Percy Breerton Colquhoun, Esquire; Simon Hickey, Esquire; George Roy William McDonald, Esquire; John Percy Osborne, Esquire; and Follett Johns Thomas, Esquire, to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees during the present Session.

12. 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, Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, Mark Fairies Morton, Esquire, Percy Breerton Colquhoun, Esquire, Arthur Hetherington Grimm, Esquire, John Percy Osborne, Esquire, and William Kearley, Esquire, Robert James Stuart-Robinson, 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 twelfth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

JOHN J. COHEN,
"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.

13. Death of Charles Stuart Fern, Esquire, late Member for Cobar:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, that this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss it has sustained by the death of Charles Stuart Fern, Esquire, late Member for Cobar.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey,—And Mr. Speaker having addressed the House,—Question put and carried unanimously, the Members and Officers of the House rising in their places.

14. Papers:—

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

(1.) Report of the Trustees of the National Art Gallery for 1917.
(2.) Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment, on probation, of Miss Lorna Myrtle Hodgkinson, as Teacher, Cottage Home for Feeble-minded Children, Parramatta.
(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public School Purposes, at Berkeley, Myall Creek, Blackrock, Ungarie East, and Talmarn.
(4.) Report of the Senate of the University of Sydney for 1917.
(5.) New By-laws of the University of Sydney (St. John's College).
(6.) New By-laws of the University of Sydney.
(7.) Report of the Trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales for 1917.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Beeby laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amendment of Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Acts, 1912-1916.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Amendment of General Rule No. 2, under the Mines Inspection Act, 1901.
(2.) Amended Regulations and Amended Schedule under the Mining Act, 1906.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Regulations under the Water Act, 1912.
(2.) Amended Regulation under the Wentworth Irrigation Act, 1890.
(3.) By-laws of the Barooga Water Trust, under the Water Act, 1912.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Orange District Hospital.
(2.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Lithgow State Coal Mine Water Supply.
(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Muswellbrook Water Supply.
(4.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Mosquito Island Harbour Improvements.
(5.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Dungle Ridge Bore Water Trust.
(6.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Condobolin to Broken Hill Railway.
(7.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Balmain Hospital Extension.
(8.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Catherine Hill Bay Police Station.
(9.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917.
(10.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917.
(11.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917.
(12.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917.
(13.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic on the Main Southern Railway Deviation (Pitenon to Mittagong).
(14.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Wyalong and Lake Cudal, by provision of Water Supply at Cargelligo.
(15.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Tramway Traffic between Groommedow and Warnab, by provision of overbridge at Broadmeadow.
(16.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic on the Main Southern Railway Deviation (Pitenon to Mittagong).
(17.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Wyalong and Lake Cudal, by provision of Water Supply at Cargelligo.
(18.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Tramway Traffic between Broadmeadow and Warnab, by provision of overbridge at Broadmeadow.
(19.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Stockinbingal and Cargabul, by provision of drainage at Milvale.
(20.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Tramway Traffic between Forest Lodge and Dulmessin, near Borella.
(21.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Dunsolo and Coomalbarabin, by provision of additional accommodation at Binnaway.
(22.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between The Rock and Oaklands, by provision of additions to Station Yard at Boree Creek.
(26.) By-laws of the Cudgen Drainage Union, under the Water Act, 1912.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 31st March, 1913.
(2.) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Public Companies for quarter ended 31st March, 1918.
(3.) Regulations under the Pure Food Act, 1908.
(4.) Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909.
(5.) Report of the Commission of Inquiry (Mr. Neville Mayman) on the welfare of Mothers and Children in New Zealand.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Repeal and substitution of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
(2.) Return (in part) to an Order, made on 17th March, 1892,—"Convictions under the Liquor " Acts."
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. Notification of intention to declare that Improvement Lease No. 670, Land District of Warialda, parish of Bebo, county of Arawatta, shall cease to be voidable.

2. Particulars of Western Land Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts, from 22nd February to 7th June, 1918.

3. Amended Forms Nos. 80 and 94; and Cancellation of Regulation No. 176, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

4. Amendment of Regulation No. 48, under the Forestry Act, 1916.

5. Amendment of Regulation No. 81, under the Forestry Act, 1916.


7. Notification of intention to declare that Improvement Lease No. 670, Land District of Warialda, parish of Bebo, county of Arawatta, shall cease to be voidable.

8. Employment has also been found for returned soldiers, in various States. In the discharge of this duty my advisers have disbursed since the commencement of the war the sum of £1,400,000, partly upon the purchase of estates and partly in rendering assistance to soldier settlers. In afforestation work, in the preparation of Crown lands, and in other directions.

9. My advisers have also resolved, in all cases where assistance is approved by locally appointed committees, to advance the sum of five shillings per acre for followed wheat land. It is anticipated that as a result of these two steps we shall at least maintain the exceptionally large yields which have been obtained during the last three years.

10. Certain aspects of the work of repatriation, which concern more particularly the settlement of returned soldiers upon the land, come under the jurisdiction of the Governments of the various States. In the discharge of this duty my advisers have disbursed since the commencement of the war the sum of £1,400,000, partly upon the purchase of estates and partly in rendering assistance to soldier settlers. Employment has also been found for returned soldiers, in appropriate cases, in agriculture work, in the preparation of Crown lands, and in other directions.

11. All the Government institutions of the State are raced at the disposal of returned soldiers for the purposes of training. As a result of the recent Premiers' Conference, it is believed that closer co-operation between the State and Federal Governments in all these vital matters will be brought about.

12. The dearth of shipping continues, and the wheat storage problem remains acute. The Government is proceeding rapidly with the scheme authorized by Parliament, and is felt to be a matter for congratulation that in spite of the difficulties which have been experienced throughout Australia in the planning and construction of modern wheat storage works, a number of the country silos decided upon are already approaching completion in this State. It has recently been decided to increase the storage capacity of some of the country silos.
7. As an important step towards meeting the shortage of shipping, an agreement has been entered into between the Government of the State and the Federal Government for the construction of six steel ships at the Walsh Island Government Works under conditions which, while safeguarding the State against the possibility of loss, secure to the Commonwealth the full advantages of any economies which may be effected in the work. Preliminary measures are now being actively taken. The necessary slips are being prepared, and a large number of the templates are ready. Some material has already been delivered. It is anticipated that the dates agreed upon for delivery will be faithfully observed.

8. By virtue of the industrial legislation passed during the last session of Parliament, a Board of Trade—under the Presidency of Mr. Justice Heydon—has been constituted and will at an early date begin the investigation of a number of important industrial and social problems. Steps are also being taken to extend the conciliatory machinery of the Act, and my advisers are hopeful that in the near future the number and magnitude of industrial disturbances will begin to steadily diminish.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

9. Estimates of revenue and expenditure for the current financial year will be laid before you at a very early date. These have been framed with the utmost regard for economy.

10. Financial difficulties which beset the Public Works policy of the State continue, and show no indication of an early termination. The more essential works in progress have been advanced during the financial year now drawing to a close, and during the forthcoming year will be further advanced so far as finances will permit. My advisers note, with satisfaction, that there has been no marked unemployment of workmen throughout the State.

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

11. Bills will be submitted for your consideration to—

(1.) Amend the law relating to Local Government.
(2.) Provide for the better Municipal Government of Sydney.
(3.) Provide for Town Planning.
(4.) Safeguard the Public Health in certain respects.
(5.) Improve the Legal Status of Women.
(6.) Provide improved educational facilities at Continuation Schools.
(7.) Amend the law relating to Mining.
(8.) Amend the law relating to Irrigation.
(9.) Provide for Electoral Reform.
(10.) Amend the law relating to Stock Foods and Stock Brands.
(11.) Amend the law relating to Pastures Protection.
(12.) Amend the law relating to Companies so as to provide for the registration of certain classes of securities.
(13.) Amend the law relating to Bills of Lading.
(14.) Amend the law relating to Conveyancing and Real Property.
(15.) Provide for assistance to Share Farmers.
(16.) Provide for the reconstitution of the Western Lands Commission.
(17.) Provide for the reconstitution of the Lands Appeal Court.
(18.) Provide for the registration of Surveyors.
(19.) Provide for the appointment of a Commission to make better provision for the destruction of prickly-pear.
(20.) Amend the law relating to Closer Settlement, so as to extend liberal terms to the holders of Settlement Purchases, and to facilitate the carrying out of the Government policy in regard to Closer Settlement generally.
(21.) Provide facilities for the conversion of Homestead Selections.
(22.) Amend the Public Roads Act.
(23.) Amend the Government Savings Bank Act to enable the Commissioners to increase the assistance given by the Bank to settlers, especially in the early stages of settlement, and also to supply model homes to the people on easy terms.

I now leave you to your deliberations and the discharge of your legislative duties, with the earnest prayer that, under Divine guidance, your labours may tend to promote the welfare and happiness of all classes of the people.

Mr. Weaver moved, and Mr. Doe seconded the motion,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an 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 the State of New South Wales.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Brunthall, Mr. Graff, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Manning, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Doe, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

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

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.

Whereupon Mr. Weaver moved, and Mr. Doe seconded the motion, That the Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, be now adopted by this House.

Mr. John Storey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

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.

18. Adjournment:—Mr. Holman 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 Eight o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. Mowle, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
John J. Cohen, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 13 JUNE, 1918.

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

PAPERS—

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

(1.) Amendment to the Rules under the Navigation Acts, 1901-1904.
(2.) Regulations under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1903.
(3.) Statement of Account of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales for 1917.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Report of the Proceedings of the Conference convened by His Excellency the Governor-General on the subject of the securing of reinforcements under the voluntary system for the Australian Imperial Force now serving abroad, held at Federal Government House, Melbourne, April, 1918.
(2.) Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Premier's Conference, held at Sydney, May, 1918, together with Appendices.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulations under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. 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. Weaver, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, be now adopted by this House:

"To His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davises, 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. McGarry 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.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
13th June, 1918.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Ashford moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-eight minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 JUNE, 1918.

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

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF UPPER HUNTER.—

(1.) Return of Writ.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Writ issued for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Upper Hunter, in the room of Macartney Abbott, Esquire, resigned, had been duly returned to him, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of William Cameron, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

(2.) Member Sworn.—William Cameron, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Upper Hunter.

3. 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(1.) Mining (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 law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown Lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes.

State Government House,
Sydney, 15th June, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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By Mr. Deedy,—

(2.) Trade Unions Re-registration 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 for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency.

State Government House,
Sydney, 11th June, 1918.

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

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Ashford 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.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—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, authorizing transfers of amounts from one head of Service to supplement a Vote for another Service, viz.:—

(a) £150 from Vote, “Salary Vote, Department of Agriculture,” to Vote, “Miscellaneous Services, Department of Agriculture—To pay Salaries of Officers on extended leave prior to retirement.”

(b) £300 from Vote, “Department of Lands—Salaries—Item No. 184,” to Vote, “Department of Lands—Item No. 207.”

(c) £70 from Vote, “Weights and Measures Office—Contingencies,” to Vote, “Bureau of Statistics and Registry of Friendly Societies and Trade Unions—Contingencies, Chief Secretary’s Office.”

(d) £200 from Vote, “Special Grants to Hospitals,” to Vote “Day Nurseries, Department of Public Health.”

(e) £30 from Vote, “Weights and Measures—Contingencies,” to Vote “Medical Board—Contingencies, Chief Secretary’s Office.”

(f) £25 from Vote, “Special Grants to Hospitals,” to Vote “Anti-tuberculosis Board—Newcastle—Honararium to the Hon. J. L. Fegan, &c., Department of Public Health.”

(g) £1,000 from Vote, “State War Council and Immigration and Tourist Bureau,” to Vote, “Premier’s Department.”

(h) £750 from Vote, “Special Grants to Hospitals,” to Vote “Maintenance and Transmission of Destitute Persons, Chief Secretary’s Office.”

(1) £250 from Vote, “Court Reporters—Contingencies,” to the following Votes, viz.:—£150 to Vote, “Probate Office—Contingencies,” and £100 to Vote, “District Court—Contingencies, Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice.”

(j) £150 from Vote, “Attorney-General and Justice—Miscellaneous Services—Item No. 172,” to Vote “Attorney-General and Justice—Miscellaneous Services—Item No. 186.”

(k) £1,003 from Vote, “Agriculture—Salaries,” to the following Votes, viz.:—£1,000 to Vote, “Stock and Brands and Pastures Protection—Contingencies,” and £3 to Vote, “To pay Officers of the Department of Agriculture on extended leave prior to retirement.”

(l) £800 from Vote, “Court Reporters—Contingencies,” to Vote “Public Trustee—Contingencies,” and £500 from Vote, “Public Service Board—Contingencies,” to Vote, “Attorney-General and Justice—Miscellaneous Services—Item No. 171.”

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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. Weaver, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, 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.""

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Mr. Gregory McGirr moved, That the Address be amended by adding the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—"We also desire to inform your Excellency that this House regrets that the Government has not made provision whereby $5. per bushel shall be paid for all standard wheat delivered at country railway stations."

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

Debate continued,

Mr. Manning 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
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No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 19 JUNE, 1918.

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

PAPER—Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment of Dr. E. L. Morgan as Junior Assistant Microbiologist, Department of Public Health.

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.) Birds and Animals Protection Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the protection of certain animals and birds; to repeal the Birds Protection Act, 1901, and the Native Animals Protection Act, 1903; to amend certain other Acts; and for other 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, 19th June, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, 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 a previous Session,—

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

(2.) Statute of Limitations Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the law with regard to the limitation of actions and suits,"—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, 19th June, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, 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 a previous Session,—

Ordered, That the Bill be further considered in Committee to-morrow.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBERS:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, that leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session be granted to the Honorable Member for Castlereagh, James Guy Dalley Arkins, Esquire; the Honorable Member for Leichhardt, the Honorable Ambrose Campbell Carmichael; the Honorable Member for Tamworth, Frank Augustus Chaffey, Esquire; the Honorable Member for Burwood, Thomas Henley, Esquire, on account of absence from the State on Military Service; the Honorable Member for Mudgee, William Fraser Dunn, Esquire, on account of ill-health; and the Honorable Member for Botany, Thomas Davies Mutch, Esquire, on account of absence from the State.

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. Weaver, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, 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. Gregory McGirr had moved, That the Address be amended by adding the following words to stand as paragraph 4: "We also desire to inform Your Excellency that this House regrets that the Government has not made provision whereby 5s. per bushel shall be paid for all standard wheat delivered at country railway stations."

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

**Disorder:** By direction of Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Member for Surry Hills, Mr. Buckley, was removed from the Chamber by the Acting Sergeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order 392.

Debate continued.

Mr. Oakes 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. D. R. Hall moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow, at Four o’clock.

Debate ensued.

**Disorder:** By direction of Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Member for Newtown, Mr. F. M. Burke, was removed from the Chamber by the Acting Sergeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order 393.

Question put and passed.

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

W. S. MOWLE, 

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN J COHEN, 

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

Committee of Elections and Qualifications:—

(1.) Minute of Warrant reported:—Mr. Speaker reported that his Warrant, appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications for the present Session, laid upon the Table on Wednesday, 12th June, 1918, not having been disapproved by the Assembly in the course of the three next following days on which the Assembly met for the dispatch 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.) MembersSworn:—William Roy Clifford Bagnall, Esquire, Percy Berthoune Colquhoun, Esquire, Arthur Hetherington Grim, 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.

2. Ministerial Statement—Address by the Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth:—

(1.) Mr. Holman informed the House that the Acting Prime Minister, the Honourable W. A. Watt, M.H.R., would be glad to address the House during his forthcoming visit to Sydney in regard to the War Position, if agreeable to Honourable Members of this House. Mr. John Story addressed the House.

(2.) Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House invites the Honourable W. A. Watt, M.H.R., Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, to be present at the sitting of the House on Thursday next, 27th June, at 4.30 o’clock, and to address the House from the Table within the Bar on the subject of the War Position. Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Holman then moved, That Mr. Speaker be requested to convey the above resolution to the Acting Prime Minister. 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. Weaver, That the following Address in Reply to the Governor’s Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, 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."

"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."

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

Disorder: By direction of Mr. Speaker the Honorable Member for Newtown, Mr. F. M. Burke, was removed from the Chamber by the Acting Serjeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order 392.

Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 21 JUNE, 1918, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be added, be so added.

The House divided.


Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. R. M. Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Cochran, Mr. David Dragon, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Reilly, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Long, Mr. Longhie, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Price, Mr. Quirk, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Lazzarini.

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Dr. Arthur, Mr. C. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Ashford, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Hagan, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Hall, Mr. Deacon, Mr. Nicholas, Mr. B. B. B. Davis, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Beeby, Colonel Onslow, Mr. Brenner, Mr. Perry, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Robson, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. David Stacey, Mr. Doe, Mr. Thomas, Mr. E. E. Eldore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Palluck, Mr. Weanse, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graft, Mr. Graham, Mr. Druitt, Mr. Grimm, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Lalimer, Mr. Lerry, Mr. Manning.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question,—That the Address in Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech, as read by the Clerk, be now adopted by this House,—put and passed.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had ascertained it to be the pleasure of the Governor to receive their Address in Reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech on Thursday, 27th June, at 4 o'clock, p.m., at Government House.

4. SUPPLY:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question put and passed.

5. WAYS AND MEANS:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Question put and passed.

6. BUSINESS DAYS (Sessional Order):—Mr. Holman 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 put and passed.

7. PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (Sessional Order):—Mr. Holman 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 Motion 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.

8. REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE (Sessional Order):—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Refreshment Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Latham, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Grim, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Weaver, and the Mover, with authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.

Question put and passed.
9. Standing Orders Committee (Sessional Order)—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Levy, Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Lazzarini, 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.

10. Library Committee (Sessional Order)—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Levy, Mr. Brunstrell, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Match, Mr. McKeel, 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.

11. Printing Committee (Sessional Order)—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That the Printing Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Oakes, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Fallick, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Graff, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Gas. Miller, 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.

12. Veterinary Surgeons Bill—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

13. Pure Food (Amendment) Bill—Mr. James, on behalf of Mr. Fuller, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Pure Food Act, 1908; to regulate the publication of statements relating to certain food, drugs, and appliances; to provide for registration in respect of certain businesses dealing with food and drugs; to provide that the business of hairdressers be carried on in a sanitary manner, and to amend the Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1915; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

14. Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Bill—Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Medical Practitioners Act, 1912, and the Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Act, 1915; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

15. Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to Closer Settlement and to Settlement Purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

16. Local Government Bill—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

17. Trade Unions Re-registration Bill—Mr. Beeby moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912; and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency.

Question put and passed.
18. **Audit (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Audit Act, 1902.

Question put and passed.

19. **Sydney Port (Goods Delivery) Bill**—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice,—That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate the unshipping, delivery, receipt, storing, and disposal of goods in the port of Sydney; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1910; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

20. **Mining (Amendment) Bill**—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

21. **Sea-carriage of Goods Bill**—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill concerning bills of lading and other documents relating to the sea-carriage of goods from any place in the State of New South Wales to any other place in the said State.

Question put and passed.

22. **Crown Lands Leases Withdrawal Bill**—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

23. **Western Lands (Commission Reconstitution) Bill**—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to abolish the Western Land Board of New South Wales and to substitute a single Commissioner in lieu of such Board; to fix the salary and term of office of such Commissioner; to confer certain powers and impose certain duties on such Commissioner; to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

24. **Land Surveyors Bill**—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration of surveyors; to authorise registered surveyors to enter land for purposes relating to surveys; to regulate the practice of surveyors; to amend the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

25. **Special Adjournment**—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Wednesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

26. **Adjournment**—Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-two minutes before Seven o'clock, a.m., until Wednesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 26 JUNE, 1918.

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

ADDRESS BY THE ACTING PRIME MINISTER OF THE COMMONWEALTH.—Mr. Speaker informed the House,—

(1.) That upon the passing of the resolution of 20th June, instant, inviting the Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, the Honorable W. A. Watt, to be present at the sitting of the House on Thursday, 27th June, instant, and to address the House on the War Position, he had communicated the resolution to Mr. Watt and had received a telegram accepting such invitation.

(2.) That he had subsequently received the following letter:—

"Melbourne, 22 June, 1918.

"I desire to confirm my telegram of yesterday's date which read as follows:—

"Desire to acknowledge your letter of yesterday's date conveying the resolution passed in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales yesterday. I fully appreciate compliment contained in the invitation it conveys which I accept with pleasure.

"I wish to add that the sentiment of appreciation expressed by me therein is echoed by the Commonwealth Government, and that on Thursday next at the hour named in your letter I shall await your pleasure.

"Yours faithfully,

W. A. WATT,

"Acting Prime Minister.

(3.) Mr. Holman stated with regret that late this afternoon he had received a telephone communication from Melbourne to the effect that Mr. Watt was seriously unwell and confined to his room, and had been recommended by his medical advisers not to attempt to make the journey to Sydney to-day. Mr. Watt had asked him to express his regret to the House, and to say that as soon as he knew that he would be able to undertake the journey he would further communicate with him and ask him to obtain the sanction of the House for some further arrangement which would permit him to carry out his proposal to address the House.

(4.) Mr. Speaker reported (at a later hour) that he had received a telegram from the Acting Prime Minister, regretting that owing to sudden illness it would be impossible for him to proceed to Sydney that evening, and he would, therefore, be unable to address the Legislative Assembly to-morrow as arranged.

2. 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(1.) Audit (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Governor.

Message No. 12.

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 Audit Act, 1902.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th June, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
By Mr. ,James,—

(2.) Local Government 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 make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th June, 1918.

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

By Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(3.) Mascot Municipality (Housing Board) 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 make other provision for the Local Government of certain lands within the Municipality of Mascot; to amend the Acts relating to Local Government; and for other purposes.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th June, 1918.

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

(4.) Sea-carriage of Goods 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 concerning Bills of Lading and other documents relating to the sea-carriage of goods from any place in the State of New South Wales to any other place in the said State.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th June, 1918.

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

(5.) The Sydney Port (Goods Delivery) 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 regulate the unshipping, delivery, receipt, storing, and disposal of goods in the port of Sydney; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 20th June, 1918.

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

3. PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Amended Regulation No. 304A, and Additional Form No. 121e, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) New Forms Nos. 1 and 2, and Amended Regulation No. 1; and cancellation of Regulation No. 2 and Forms Nos. 1-1, under the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910.

(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act 1912, for the construction of the Nalba Bore.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return showing average duration of sittings of Courts for six months ended 31st October, 1917.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minutes of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment of Miss Mona Dalley as Instructress in Physical Culture, Teachers’ College, Sydney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Newtown, Mr. F. M. Burke, 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 abrogation of section 19, subsection 100A, of the Railway Amending Act of 1916, by the issue of a direction by the Railway Commissioners to the effect that payment in lieu of holidays accrued is not to be made to dismissed employees.”

And
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26th June, 1918.

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Burke 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, 32.
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. Beeby,
Mr. Beasley,
Mr. Batsonsway,
Mr. Cocks,
Mr. Crane,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. Holman,
Mr. Hoskyns,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Henry Morton,
Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Neatby,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Neatby,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Cameron.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Briner,
Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. F. M. Burke,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Fullerton,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Exall,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzerini,
Mr. Longhlin,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Millard,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. Beasley,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. G. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. McGarry,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Mack F. Morton,
Mr. Neatby,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Colston Onslow,
Mr. O'Keefe,
Mr. Burke,
Mr. Pepper,
Mr. Buckfield,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. McGarry,
Mr. Neatby,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Colston Onslow,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Exall,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzerini,
Mr. Longhlin,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Millard,
Mr. Wright,
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Mr. William Davies,
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Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Exall,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzerini,
Mr. Longhlin,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Millard,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Exall,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzerini,
Mr. Longhlin,
Mr. Gregory McGirr.

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. Burke having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes,. 24.
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Tom Smith.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bagnall,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Bushell,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. Johnstone,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzerini,
Mr. Longhlin,
Mr. Gregory McGirr.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. POSTPONEMENT.—On motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Government Business was postponed until after Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business.

6. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—Mr. Mark F. Morton moved, pursuant to Notice, That Daniel Levy, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the whole House for the present Session.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey,—

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Levy made his acknowledgments.

7. AUDIT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—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 a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Audit Act, 1902.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved.—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the Audit Act, 1902.

On motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

8. TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL:—

The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Beeby, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency.

On motion of Mr. Beeby, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Beeby then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency,"—which was read a first time.

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

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL:

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. James, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. James then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to repeal certain Acts; to amend certain other Acts; 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.

10. PRINTING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Nesbitt, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee.

11. AUDIT (AMENDMENT) BILL:

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, pursuant to leave granted This Day, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Audit Act, 1902"; which was read a first time.

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

12. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow at quarter before Four o'clock.

Question put and passed.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. 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 To-morrow, at a quarter before Four o'clock.

S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
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,—
Mr. 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:—

State Government House, Sydney.

To 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 the assurance of your unfeigned 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,
27th June, 1918.

PAPER:—Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment of Mr. H. E. Littler as Viticultural Expert, Department of Agriculture. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. THE WAR POSITION—ADDRESS BY THE HONORABLE THE ACTING PRIME MINISTER OF THE COMMONWEALTH:—The Order of the Day was, on motion of Mr. Holman, discharged.

4. TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Beeby moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

5. AUDIT (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.

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

The House adjourned, at seven minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
I. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

URGENCY—CONDUCT OF THE HONORABLE MEMBER FOR YASS:

(1.) Mr. Ley moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—“That a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the conduct of John Joseph Gregory McGirr, Esquire, the Honorable Member for Yass, in and about the acquisition by the Government of the North-west Ooma Estate.”

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ley moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion, viz.:—“That a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the conduct of John Joseph Gregory McGirr, Esquire, the Honorable Member for Yass, in and about the acquisition by the Government of the North-west Ooma Estate.”

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Ley then moved, That a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the conduct of John Joseph Gregory McGirr, Esquire, the Honorable Member for Yass, in and about the acquisition by the Government of the North-west Ooma Estate.

Debate ensued.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bavin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Fuller, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Levey, Mr. Ley, Mr. McCarrery, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Oakes, Colonel Orloow, Mr. Perry, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Zehle, Teller, Mr. Broome, Mr. Neilatt.

Noes, 42.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Bigland, Mr. Brier, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. J. M. McGarry, Mr. W. W. Millard, Mr. Oakes, Colonel Orloow, Mr. Perry, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Zehle, Teller, Mr. Broome, Mr. Neilatt, Mr. Keaneley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Wood, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Oakes, Mr. B. O. Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Wright, Teller, Mr. O’Brien.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 JULY, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of Royal Commission of Inquiry into the effects of the workings of the Job and Time Cards System in the Tramway and Railway Workshops of the Railway Commissioners, together with Minutes of Evidence and Exhibits. (In substitution of Report laid on Table on 12th June, 1918.) Ordered to be printed.


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. EARLY CLOSING BILL:—Mr. Beeby (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to Early Closing; to regulate the times of opening and closing of shops and the employment of shop assistants and persons delivering goods, and to limit the hours of cartage and delivery by vehicles, and to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

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

(1.) 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 bringing in 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, 28th June, 1918.

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

(2.) Architects 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 bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration and to regulate the practice of Architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to buildings; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd July, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
4. 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 twenty-ninth day of June, 1918, and signed by His Excellency the Governor, empowering Daniel Levy, 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 Clerk, as follows:—

"By 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.

"To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"Greeting:—

"In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir Walter Edward Davidson, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, do hereby authorise Daniel Levy, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, in the absence of the Honourable 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 New South Wales, this twenty-ninth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fifth.

"W. E. Davidson,
Governor.

By His Excellency's Command,
George W. Fuller."

5. CRIMES (AMENDMENT) 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 facilitate the proof of certain matters in certain cases of larceny; to amend the Crimes Act, 1900; and for matters consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd July, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time tomorrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Wollongong, Mr. William Davies, 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 urgency of placing temporary employees upon the permanent list of Government Servants.

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 negative.

7. AUDIT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Audit Act, 1902."

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, intituled "An Act to amend the Audit Act, 1902,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd July, 1918.

8. TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Beeby, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

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

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 4 JULY, 1918, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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

Mr.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.
Mr. Beeby moved, That the report be now adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at ten minutes after Four o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,  
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Report by the State Mining Engineer on the collapse of Co-operative Colliery Workings at Collie, Western Australia.
(2.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Timber Weir Site at Hillston.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Beesby laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Royal Commission (His Honor Mr. Justice Ferguson), upon an application from the Australian Gaslight Company and the North Shore Gas Company, Ltd., for an increase in the standard price of gas under the Gas Act, 1912-18, together with the report of the Chief Gas Examiner upon the representation of the Minister before the Commission.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ashford 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, and the Public Trusts Act, 1897.
(2.) 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.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—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, viz.:
(a) £60 from Vote, "Stock and Brands and Pastures Protection—Salaries," to Vote, "To meet incidental expenses in connection with experimental investigations in animal diseases," &c.—Department of Agriculture.
(b) £4,750, being £1,750 from "Item No. 96," £1,000 from "Item No. 102," and £1,950 from "Item No. 107," to Vote, "Item No. 82" of the Appropriation Act, 1917—Department of Public Health.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PRISONS (AMENDMENT) 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 amend the Prisons Act, 1899,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th July, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

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

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

3. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—Members Sworn—Thomas John Ley, Esquire, and John Percy Osborne, Esquire, came to the Table, and were sworn by the Clerk as Members of the Committee of Elections and Qualifications.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Middle Harbour, Dr. Arthur, 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 this Government to make urgent representations to the Federal Government to utilise all the ships under their control and fit for overseas service for the carriage of wheat and other foodstuffs to America."
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

Dr. Arthur moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Point of Order:—Mr. Perry asked Mr. Speaker's ruling whether the Honorable Member for Middle Harbour was in order in proceeding with this motion of adjournment, seeing that Notice of Motion has been given to the following effect:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the Federal authorities should be asked to submit to the New South Wales Government, for its approval or opinion, any proposal for the further reduction or alteration of the present coastal shipping services of this State."

Mr. Speaker said that if the motion, of which notice has been given to-day, dealt with the same matter as that which the Honorable Member for Middle Harbour desired to discuss, the motion for adjournment would be out of order; but, on comparing the two motions, he found that that of which notice had been given by the Honorable Member for Lismore was entirely different from that which the Honorable Member for Middle Harbour desired to discuss. Therefore the motion now before the House was quite in order.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

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

Mr. Speaker having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23, Noes, 28.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Lang, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Lazenby, Mr. Lang.

Mr. Buckley, Mr. M. M. Burke, Mr. B. W., Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Lazenby, Mr. Lang.

Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Quirk, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Russell, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Wright, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Dawson, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey.

Mr. George Cann, Mr. Wright, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey.

Mr. Wright, Mr. Wright.

Mr. Dooley, Fellers, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Simon Hockey.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Beeby, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Beeby then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency."

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, intituled "An Act for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency."

Present to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 4th July, 1918.

6. POSTPONEMENT:—On motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, the remaining Government Business was postponed until Tuesday next.

7. KNIGHTS' APPLICATIONS FOR MINERAL RIGHTS OF CERTAIN CONDITIONAL PURCHASES:—Mr. Colquhoun moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances relating to the applications of John Knight, Thomas Knight, Franklin Knight, Felix Knight, Edwin Knight, David Knight, Harriete Knight, and Mary Jane Knight, for a grant of the mineral rights of Conditional Purchases Nos. 65-385 and 66-3602, of portions 150 and 157, parish of Southend, county of Cumberland, and the issue of leases in respect thereof, and to the damage (if any) which they have sustained in consequence of the resumption of the surface of such Conditional Purchases by the Crown, and to inquire into and report what compensation (if any) they are entitled to.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ashford, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Ley, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Osborne, and the Mover.

(3) That the Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee of Session 1917-18 be referred to such Committee.

(4) That the Committee have leave to sit during any adjournment of the House.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at eleven minutes after Six o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
 Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 9 JULY, 1918.

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

KNIGHTS' APPLICATIONS FOR MINERAL RIGHTS OF CERTAIN CONDITIONAL PURCHASES:—Mr. Colquhoun presented the following Petitions:

(1.) From Arthur John Hare, Under Secretary for Lands, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into the circumstances relating to the applications by the Knights for mineral rights of certain Conditional Purchases; and praying for permission to appear before the Select Committee in person, by Solicitor or Counsel, and to examine and cross-examine witnesses before the said Committee.

Petition received.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

(2.) From Franklin Knight, Felix Knight, and Edwin Knight, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into the circumstances relating to applications by the Knights for mineral rights of certain Conditional Purchases; and praying for permission to appear before the Select Committee in person, by Solicitor or Counsel, and to examine and cross-examine witnesses before the said Committee.

Petition received.

At the request of Mr. Estell, the Petition, by direction of Mr. Speaker, was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

2. PAPERS:

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:

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

(2.) Copy of letter received from Chief Railway Commissioner respecting the Debate which took place on 26th June, 1918, in connection with the payment for holidays to Railway Employees.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment, on probation, of Mr. L. J. Hurley as Trade Commissioner, Agent-General's Staff, Premier's Department.

(2.) Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts, from 7th June to 28th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:

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 Executive Council, authorising transfers of amounts from one head of Service to supplement a Vote for another Service, viz.:

(a) £400 from Vote, "Garden Palace Grounds—Contingencies," to Vote, "Botanic Gardens—Contingencies."

(b) £4,775, being £500 from "Item No. 240," £1,700 from "Item No. 267," £2,175 from "Item No. 270," £200 from "Item No. 274," £500 from "Item No. 275," £50 from "Item No. 276," and £250 from "Item No. 278," to Vote, "Item No. 237—Appropriation Act, 1917—Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
URGENCY—TRIAL AND IMPRISONMENT OF THE TWELVE I.W.W. MEN.—Mr. Brookfield moved, without Notice, that it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz. :—That a Royal Commission be appointed to inquire into and report on the evidence and the circumstances surrounding the trial and conviction of the twelve I.W.W. men who were sentenced at Darlinghurst, on 2nd December, 1916, in terms of imprisonment with hard labour varying from five to fifteen years, and to adduce any new evidence in relation thereto and bearing upon the justice of the said trial and conviction.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Bishell, Mr. George Cans, Mr. Coeber, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dayn, Mr. Estell, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lucanberrif, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Mickall,

Noes, 29.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. N. O'Brien, Mr. Rephill, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bosby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Riggs, Mr. Britton, Mr. Burton, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Colaghoun, Mr. Eden, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Grahame, Mr. McGarry, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Keegan.

And it passed in the negative.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Newcastle, Mr. Gardiner, 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 Commissioners to maintain an adequate train service to meet the needs of Newcastle and District."

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

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

Debate ensued.

Point of Order:—Mr. Osborne submitted that this matter was not one of recent occurrence, the time-table having been in operation for some time. The motion did not comply with the Standing Order in that respect.

Mr. Speaker said the objection was fatal.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 34

Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Duggall, Mr. Hall, Mr. Heeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Branton, Mr. Bredtswaith, Mr. Brutton, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Coulson, Mr. Colaghoun, Mr. David Storey, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Grahame, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hiskins, Mr. James.

Noes, 37.

Mr. Bruce, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Bankier, Mr. N. O'Brien, Mr. E. McCrak, Mr. Magerry, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Russell, Mr. Stuart-Bouton, Mr. George Cans, Mr. Coeber, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Dayn, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Loughlin.

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 twenty-five minutes after Six o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 10 JULY, 1918.

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

PAPERS

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulations under the Sydney Harbour Trust Acts, 1900-1914.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report on the Fisheries of New South Wales for 1917.

2. REINFORCEMENTS TO THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY (Formal Motion):—Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House affirms the necessity of the Commonwealth giving all possible assistance to the Allies in their prolonged effort to avert defeat at the hands of German militarism, and pledges itself to assist in securing necessary reinforcements to the Australian army under the voluntary system.

Question put and passed.

3. EARLY CLOSING BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Beeby, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. R. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 19.
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 96th 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 consolidate and amend the Acts relating to early closing; to regulate the times of opening and closing of shops and the employment of shop assistants and persons delivering goods; and to limit the hours of cartage and delivery by vehicles; to amend the Auctioneers Licensing Act, 1898, the Auctioneers Licensing (Amendment) Act, 1915, the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Police Offences Act, 1901, and other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th July, 1918.

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) Audit (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Audit Act, 1902,”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th July, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
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(2.) Trade Unions Re-registration Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 9th July, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL.
Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 9th July, 1918.

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

Page 3, clause 6, line 18. Omit "hereafter" insert "within six months of the passing of this Act."

Page 3, clause 6, lines 20 and 21. Omit "a resolution of the Legislative Assembly directing such restoration" insert "resolutions of both Houses of Parliament."

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.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR:—Mr. Fuller read the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

"Government House, Sydney.
10th July, 1918.

"On the 3rd July I attended, by invitation, a meeting of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce to hear a paper read by the Chief Railway Commissioner on 'Railways and Railway Operations in New South Wales in comparison with other countries.' The Chairman invited me to move the vote of thanks to the reader of the paper, which I gladly assented to, inasmuch as I was intensely interested in the paper and had been intimately associated with the construction and operation of railways elsewhere. My remarks were unprepared, and the observations based solely on the prominent passages in the paper itself. Referring to the passage on page 3, I spoke a few words which—to the best of my recollection—are correctly reported in the Sydney Morning Post, 3rd July.

"The passage on which these comments were based was as follows:—"The minimum wage paid in New South Wales is higher than in any country in the world outside Australia, and the average wage earned per employee here was exceeded only in the United States of America, where, however, at the date when the figures with which comparison is made, ten hours was the accepted railway day, or 25 per cent. more than the accepted day in this State."

"The words underlined appear in italics in the written paper.

"My remarks on this passage are nothing more than a passing observation based on the fact that the United States railway employees appeared to work longer hours and earn more pay than railway employees in New South Wales. Whether they derived a greater benefit or not from the longer hours and the larger pay is a matter of legitimate comment. On the subject of the matter which essentially is one for the determination of Australian Parliaments."

6. DISSENT FROM MR. SPEAKER'S RULING:—Mr. John Storey moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House dissent from the action of Mr. Speaker in refusing to permit a question directed to the Premier, by the Honorable Member for Redfern, relating to certain alleged remarks by His Excellency the Governor, such action being contrary to constitutional practice, and a curtailment of the privileges of the Members of this House.

Debate ensued.
Mr. Speaker having addressed the House,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Hinkley,
Mr. P. M. Barrie,
Mr. Bassell,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Estell,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Karsley,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. P. M. McGregor,
Mr. Mutch,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright,
Mr. L. Arthur,
Mr. Bignall,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. Beeby,
Mr. Beubenash,
Mr. Colquhoun,
Mr. Elder,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. Gaill,
Mr. D. P. Hall,
Mr. Hodkins,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer.

Noes, 30.
Mr. Harvey,
Mr. Wickham,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Marie F. Morton,
Mr. Nesbitt,
Lect.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Robson,
Mr. Gaill,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Zaill.

Tellers,
Mr. Match,
Mr. Match,
Mr. Match,
Mr. Match.
7. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee.

8. TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Beeby, 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments. On motion of Mr. Beeby, 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, intitled "An Act for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency."

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 10th July, 1918.

9. STANDING ORDERS—REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE.—Mr. Fuller, on behalf of Mr. Holman, moved, pursuant to Notice, that the whole of the Standing Orders be referred to the Standing Orders Committee for consideration and report, and that the Committee be empowered to offer suggestions for the improvement and simplification of the procedure of this House. (2.) That the report from the Standing Orders Committee of Session 1915-16, and the Proceedings of the Committee of Session 1917-1918, be referred to this Committee for its consideration.

Question put and passed.

10. AMBULANCE TRANSPORT SERVICE BILL.—Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Ambulance Transport Service 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.

11. ARCHITECTS BILL.—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration and to regulate the practice of architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to buildings; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

12. MINING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—(1.) 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 a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a resolution. Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be read a first time, as follows:—Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes," which was read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

13. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL:—(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved.—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide for the regulation of the practice of veterinary science; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. James, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. James 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 to-morrow.

14. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, at its rising to-morrow, adjourn until Tuesday, the 13th August, 1918.

Question put and passed.

15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fuller 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, 29.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Briner, Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Briscoe, Mr. Price,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Beckley, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Beesty, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. P. M. Burton, Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Brunnell, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Roshell, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Butterenshaw, Mr. Oaken, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Cock, Mr. Colquhoun, Colonel Oakey, Tellers,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, Tellers,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Weaver, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Kearsley,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zail, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Long,
Mr. Hawkins, Tellers, Mr. Oakes, Mr. McLell,
Mr. Hunt, Tellers, Mr. Macarley, Mr. McNeill,
Mr. James, Mr. Robson, Mr. Walker, Mr. O’Brien,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Walker, Mr. Weaver.

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the requirements of Standing Order No. 175, that the motion shall not be decided in the affirmative unless by a vote of "at least thirty Members" in favour thereof, had not been complied with,—

Debate continued.

Mr. Oakes moved, that the Question be now put.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Manning, Messrs. Brookfield, Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Bagwall, Mr. Manning, Mr. Beckley, Mr. Price,
Mr. Ball, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Davian, Mr. Millard, Mr. Bushell, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Beesty, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Conran, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Rockey, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Brunnell, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. William Davies, Tellers,
Mr. Butterenshaw, Mr. Oaken, Mr. Dooley, Mr. McLell,
Mr. Cock, Mr. Colquhoun, Colonel Oakey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearsley,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Zail, Mr. Dooley, Mr. O’Keeen,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Walker, Mr. Mcarley, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Zail, Tellers, Mr. Long,
Mr. Hunt, Tellers, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Long,
Mr. James, Mr. Robson, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Stoeili,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Walker, Mr. P. M. McGirt, Mr. Meach,
Mr. Letwin, Mr. Weaver, Mr. O’Brien, Mr. Wright.

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 ten minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
PAPERS:
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:—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.
Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(2.) Report of the Auditor-General in regard to the administration of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Ordered to be printed.

Disorder: The Honorable Member for Willyama, Mr. Wright, having used the words, "You are a disgrace to your job," as applied to Mr. Speaker,—Mr. Speaker named the Honorable Member for Willyama as guilty of interrupting the orderly conduct of the business of the House.

Mr. Fuller moved, That the Honorable Member for Willyama, Mr. Wright, having been named by Mr. Speaker as guilty of interrupting the orderly conduct of the business of the House, is guilty of contempt. Question put and passed.

The Honorable Member having apologised for the words used,—Mr. Fuller moved, That the Honorable Member for Willyama, having been named by Mr. Speaker as guilty of interrupting the orderly conduct of the business of the House, and the Honorable Member having apologised to the House for his contempt, the House is willing to accept his apology. Question put and passed.

2. Committee of Elections and Qualifications—Members Sworn:—William Kearsey, Esquire, Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, 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.

3. Early Closing Bill:—
(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Beeby, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to Early Closing; to regulate the times of opening and closing of shops and the employment of shop assistants and persons delivering goods and to limit the hours of cartage and delivery by vehicles, and to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:
Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to Early Closing; to regulate the times of opening and closing of shops and the employment of shop assistants and persons delivering goods and to limit the hours of cartage and delivery by vehicles, and to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Beeby, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.
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(3.) Mr. Beeby then presented a Bill, entitled "A Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to Early Closing; to regulate the times of opening and closing of shops and the employment of shop assistants and persons delivering goods, and to limit the hours of carriage and delivery by vehicles, to amend certain Acts; 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. UNCLAIMED MONEYS (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 amend the Unclaimed Moneys Act, 1917; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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Sydney, 2nd July, 1918.

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

5. PRISONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. B. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Hall 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, 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 twelve Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:—Mr. Doyle, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Wright, Mr. George Cann, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Buckley, Mr. McGrady, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Brookfield, and Mr. Mutshi.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair accordingly.

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

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

6. CROWN LANDS PURCHASES VESTING BILL:—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare that certain lands purchased by the Crown were vested in the Crown; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

7. SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND ENABLING BILL:—Mr. ASHORD moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Trustees of the Sydney Cricket Ground to borrow money by mortgage or charge of such land; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. 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 eighteen minutes after Seven o'clock, until Tuesday, 13th August next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) 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, viz.:

(a) £7,000 from Vote, "Dredge Service—Item No. 225," to Vote, "Government Dockyard, Newcastle."

(b) £25 from Vote, "Attorney General and Justice—Miscellaneous Services—Item No. 174," to Vote, "Attorney-General and Justice—Miscellaneous Services—Item No. 173."

(2.) 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, 1903, 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, viz.:

(a) £3,000 from Vote, "State War Council and Immigration and Tourist Bureau," to Vote, "Item No. 20—Appropriation Act, 1917—Premier's Department."

(b) £60 from Vote, "State War Council and Immigration and Tourist Bureau," to Vote, "Incidental Expenses (including rent) of the Australia Day Fund (Amelioration Committee)—Premier's Department."

(c) £3,000 from Vote, "State War Council and Immigration and Tourist Bureau," to Vote, "Motor cars, expenses of upkeep—Premier's Department."

(d) £100 from Vote, "To meet expenses of entertaining visiting Soldiers and Sailors from outside the State, and expenditure arising out of the State's recognition of the Allies' participation in the War," to Vote, "Voluntary Workers' Association—Expenses of Administration—Salaries, Rent of Offices, &c.—Premier's Department."

(e) £55,000 from Vote, "Railway and Tramway Working Expenses,—Item No. 116, Appropriation Act, 1917, to the following Votes, viz. — £6,000 to Vote, "Board of Fire Commissioners—Subsidy;" £30,000 to Vote, "Government Printer—Contingencies;" £12,000 to Vote, "Insurance, Shipping Charges, &c., on English Shipments;" £20,000 to Vote, "Interest on moneys in temporary possession of the Government;" £2,000 to Vote, "Unforeseen expenses to be hereafter accounted for;" and £15,000 to Vote, "Gratuities to Officers on retirement."

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. Messengers from the Governor:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

(1.) Trade Unions Re-registration Bill:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act for the registration of certain Trade Unions as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and Acts amending the same, and to meet a national emergency," 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.) Audit (Amendment) Bill. —

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Audit Act, 1902,"—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, 17th July, 1918.

3. PAPERS. —

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended By-law of the University of Sydney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Particulars respecting Government Horse-breeding Farms at North Bangaroo and Riglands, Muswellbrook.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.


Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900.

(4.) Minutes of the Public Service Board recommending the appointment of Miss O. V. Reeves as Dispenser, Newington Asylum, Department of Public Health.

(5.) Regulations under Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912, for controlling burning-off operations in the Bland Shire.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Substituted and Amended Regulations 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 Papers:—

(1.) Minute by the Assistant Colonial Treasurer in regard to the postponement of payment of Stamp Duty on applications for land by Returned Soldiers under the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1900, until the issue of deed.

(2.) Report of the Public Trustee for the year ended 30th June, 1918; together with Statement of Receipts and Disbursements, and Profit and Loss Accounts.

(3.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Tourist Resorts—Working Account.

(4.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Mental Hospitals Generally—Farm and Garden Account.

(5.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Department of Public Health—Farm Account.

(6.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Aboriginal Protection Board—Province and Salubrity Account.

(7.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Prisons—Bread Account.

(8.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Prisons—Live Stock Account.

(9.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Emu Plains Prison Farm—Farm Account.

(10.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Farms—Farm Account.

(11.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Wheat Areas Establishment—Store Account.

(12.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Forest Vale (Demonstration Farm)—Store Account.

(13.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Gosford Farm Home for Boys—Farm Account.

(14.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Enkineville Bootmaking School.

(15.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, in connection with Labour Farms Account.


(17.) Proclamation declaring Bauxite and Cryolite to be Minerals within the meaning of the Mining Act, 1906.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.


(19.) Report of the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways for quarter ended 30th June, 1918.

(20.) Report of the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

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

(1.) By-laws of the Colligen Creek Water Trust under the Water Act, 1912.

(2.) Report of the National Park Trust for the years ended 30th June, 1917, and 1918.

(3.) Form No. 13, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
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(4.) Amended Regulation No. 17, under the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916.
(5.) Regulations Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, and Form No. 1, under the Voluntary Workers (Soldiers' Holdings) Act, 1917.
(6.) Additional Regulation No. 195c, and Additional Form No. 138, Amended Regulation No. 218, and Amended Form No. 83, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
(7.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation Ground at Waratah.
(8.) 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.
(9.) 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.

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearsley, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee.

5. ACQUISITION OF HOMES BY THE PEOPLE:—Mr. Simon Hickey moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That it is desirable that a larger number of people should be assisted to acquire homes.
(2.) That the House consider how this desideratum might be best given effect to.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 27th August.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at half-past Six o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, 
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 14 AUGUST, 1918.

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

Proportional Representation:—Mr. Loy presented a Petition from officers of certain Associations, praying for the reasons set forth that steps be taken in the current Session to pass proportional representation into law.

Petition received.

PAPERS:—

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1) Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, as inserted by the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918.

(2) Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, which repeal all existing Regulations.

(3) Amendment of Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways for quarter ended 31st March, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1900, for Road of Access to the Council's Night-soil Depot at Cronulla.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. 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. D. R. Hall. —

(1) Police Inquiry 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 appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Boorabbin Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 12th August, 1918.

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

By
5. POLICE INQUIRY BILL:

Mr. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Borabili Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Point of Order: Mr. Levy submitted that it was not competent to deal with any amendment of a Bill or the Title of a Bill on a motion for the suspension of the Standing Orders; the only amendment which could be moved to the motion was one dealing in some way or other with the question of the suspension of the Standing Orders, which in this case was to enable the House to pass a certain Bill through all its stages without delay.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said it had been laid down that the suspension of the Standing Orders only cleared the way for a motion to be moved in advance of its regular order. The motion, if carried, would not deprive Honorable Members of their rights, and an amendment, if in order, could be moved at a certain stage of the Bill, but not at this stage. The sole question before the Chair was the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow the Bill to be taken through all its stages at one sitting. He ruled the amendment out of order at this stage.

Debate ensued.

5. POLICE INQUIRY BILL:

(1) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to amended Notice, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Borabili Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

(2) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Borabili Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 15 AUGUST, 1918, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Borabili Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.
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(3.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Boorabil Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Hall moved, That the Bill be printed, and now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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 an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the report was adopted.

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

(5.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Fuller, passed.

Mr. Fuller then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Boorabil Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Boorabil Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th August, 1918, a.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,  
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:
Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts, from 29th June to 13th August, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Labour and Industry on the working of the Factories and Shops Act for 1917. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Royal Commissioner (Mr. G. Marion Allan), respecting the recent Retrenchment of Officers of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Cessnock, Mr. Kearsley, 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 effectively intervene to settle the Abermain Colliery dispute.” And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by the other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Kearsley moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put and negatived.

3. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. D. B. Hall, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

4. FISH MARKETS SITE VESTING BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. Ashford, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of vesting certain lands in the Municipal Council of Sydney; to provide that certain roads be constructed, controlled, and maintained by the said Council in consideration of such vesting; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

5. UNCLAIMED MONEYS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Unclaimed Moneys Act, 1917; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

6. WOOLLAHRA LOAN BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. James, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.
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7. BIRDS AND ANIMALS PROTECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Fuller moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. John Stovey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

8. POLICE INQUIRY 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 appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges made against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Boolabil Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 15th August, 1918.
FRED. FLOWERS,
President

The House adjourned, at four minutes before Nine o’clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o’clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

POLICE INQUIRY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to appoint a Commissioner to make inquiry relating to certain charges against certain members of the New South Wales Police Force; to confer certain powers, rights, privileges, and immunities upon such Commissioner; to apply the provisions of the Royal Commissioners Evidence Act, 1901, and the Corrupt Commission Act, 1914, to such inquiry; to amend those 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 Office for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 17th August, 1918.

2. PAPERS:—
Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars respecting the nationality of Reinhold William Kleinsmith, organiser of the Peoples' Foodstuffs Protection Association.

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

(1.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the construction of Works of Water Supply for the Great Ana Branch of the Darling River Water Trust.

(2.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the improvement of Port Jackson Harbour.

(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the construction of a Bridge and Approaches over the Namoi River at Tarriano.

(4.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the construction of a Bridge and Approaches over the Cudgegong River at Guntawang.

(5.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for construction of Stormwater Sewers discharging into Johnstone's Bay, Port Jackson.

(6.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Narrabri and Walgatts (Colleenbah Branch), by provision of additional accommodation at Maryville.

(7.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Stockinbingal and Forbes, by provision of Railway Quarry at Tubbulroad.

(8.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Wyalong and Cargelligo, by provision of Water Supply at Bygalia.

(9.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Murunbah and Bingara, by provision of Locomotive Depot at Corun.

(10.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Truce and Wauchope, by provision of additional Station accommodation at Wauchope.

(11.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Truce and Wauchope, by provision of additional Station accommodation at Kendall.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Sydney Cricket Ground for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

(2.) Return of amount expended on afforestation, &c., under the provisions of the Forestry Act, 1916, during the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.

4. REFERENDUM ON ABOLITION OF OFFICE OF STATE GOVERNOR:—Mr. Estell moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should introduce a measure providing that a referendum be taken at the next General Election to ascertain the wishes of the people with regard to the abolition of the office of State Governor.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

5. INCREASE OF STATE ALLOWANCE TO WIDOWS FOR CHILD MAINTENANCE:—Mr. P. M. McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in view of the great increase in the cost of living, it is expedient that the Government immediately take such steps as may be necessary to increase the State allowance to widows to 10s. per week for every child maintained under the age of 15 years.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House adjourned, at twenty-six minutes after Six o'clock, until To morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 18.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 21 AUGUST, 1918.

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

ENEMY SUBJECTS:—Mr. Levy presented a Petition from the Sailors and Soldiers' Mothers, Wives, and Relatives Association, praying for the complete disfranchisement of all enemy subjects and their immediate descendants, together with all enemy agents and sympathisers; that the naturalisation of all who are now enemy subjects be prevented until five years after the termination of the war; that all disloyal utterances in the Sydney Domain and other places be suppressed; that all enemy subjects or immediate descendants of such be dismissed summarily from the Public Service.

Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation No. 20, under the Dentists Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O. C. L Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement of Receipts and Payments, Police Superannuation and Reward Fund, during the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Hawkesbury, Mr. Walker, 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.:—"That the Government should take the earliest opportunity of bringing State Servants under Commonwealth Taxation."

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

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

Point of Order.—Mr. Osborne, referring to Order of the Day No. 12 on the Notice Paper for the introduction of the State Salaries (Commonwealth Taxation) Bill upon which the subject of the Notice could be discussed, submitted that the motion for adjournment was out of order.

Mr. Speaker upheld the Point of Order.

(2.) Mr. John Storey moved, That a second motion be entertained.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Buckler, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Potter, Mr. Price, Mr. Quick.

Mr. Davidson, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leughlin, Mr. P. M. McGirk, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Metcalfe, Mr. McCutchan.

Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Potter, Mr. Price, Mr. Quick.

Mr. Storey, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leughlin, Mr. P. M. McGirk, Mr. McKeil, Mr. Metcalfe.

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Noes, 33.

Mr. Reginald, Mr. Lee, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Martinelli, Mr. McGuire, Mr. Cameron, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Grace, Mr. Kibbitt, Mr. Dye, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Fallbuck, Colonel Onslow.

Mr. Reginald, Mr. Lee, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Devitt, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Martinelli, Mr. McGuire, Mr. Cameron, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Grace, Mr. Kibbitt, Mr. Dye, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Fallbuck, Colonel Onslow.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Bohan, Mr. Graham, Mr. Thomas, Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. Walker, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Haskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Jones, Mr. Rutteckshan, Mr. Lane, Mr. Colquhoun.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Bohan, Mr. Graham, Mr. Thomas, Mr. D. B. Hall, Mr. Walker, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Haskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Jones, Mr. Rutteckshan, Mr. Lane, Mr. Colquhoun.

And so it passed in the negative.
4. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, 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 render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 12th August, 1918.

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

5. PRISONS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Prisons Act, 1899."

Question put and passed.

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 Prisons Act, 1899."—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21st August, 1918.

6. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL.—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; 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. BIRDS AND ANIMALS PROTECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Fuller, "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. Fuller, 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. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the report was adopted.

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

8. WOOLLAHRA LOAN BILL:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James, 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 authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 2nd July, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
(2.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McD. nald, Temporary Chairman, 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. James, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(3.) Mr. James then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; 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.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 22 AUGUST, 1918.

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

PAPERS:

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts from 15th August to 21st August, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Interim Report of the Royal Commissioner (Mr. Wilfred Blacket) respecting the inquiry on the Homebush Abattoirs and the Meat Industry Act, 1915. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE, 1918-1919:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, the 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 1918-1919.

(2.) Consolidated Revenue Fund.—Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1917-1918, submitted for Parliamentary Appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.

(3.) Consolidated Revenue Fund.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense," to 30th June, 1918, submitted for Parliamentary Appropriation.


State Government House,
Sydney, 9th August, 1918.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates and Statements, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Sorry Hills, Mr. Buckley, 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 Railway Commissioners to allow holidays and railway passes to certain Railway and Tramway employees."

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, referring to a number of rulings given by Mr. Speaker McCourt that it was out of order to anticipate a discussion which could take place in Committee of Supply or of Ways and Means, after the Estimates of Expenditure or of Ways and Means had been laid upon the Table, submitted that the motion was out of order.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said that as the Estimates had been laid upon the Table, matters which could be discussed on them could not be subject matters of motions for adjournment under the 49th Standing Order, he ruled the motion out of order.
SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, 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 a first time, as follows:—

1. Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty a sum not exceeding £51,222 as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1918-19.

On motion of Mr. Holman, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

WAYS AND MEANS (Financial Statement):—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, 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.

PAPERS:—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Papers:—


2. Statement showing Special War Expenditure incurred by the New South Wales Government during the financial year ended 30th June, 1918. Ordered to be printed.

BIRDS AND ANIMALS PROTECTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide for the protection of certain animals and birds; to repeal the Birds Protection Act, 1901, and the Native Animals Protection Act, 1903; to amend certain other Acts; and for other purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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 provide for the protection of certain animals and birds; to repeal the Birds Protection Act, 1901, and the Native Animals Protection Act, 1903; to amend certain other Acts; and for other 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, 22nd August, 1918.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 22nd August, 1918.

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

Page 2, clause 1, line 2. Omit "1917" insert "1918".

Page 3, clause 5, line 22. Omit "five" insert "twenty".

Page 6, clause 17, lines 27 and 28. Omit "at the commencement of this Act."

Page 7, clause 21, line 8. Omit "forty-two" insert "thirty-six".

Page 7, clause 21, line 9. Omit "eight" insert "ten".

Page 7, clause 21, line 9. Omit "(S85 inc)"

Page 8, clause 25, line 9. After "licenses" insert "the fees to be paid for such licenses."

Page 8, clause 25, line 15. After "destroy" insert "or have in possession."

Page 9, First Schedule, lines 20 and 21. Omit "Grey Crow Shrike or Grey Magpie, Strepera cuneicandata; Pied Crow Shrike or Black Magpie, Strepera beraculina."

Page 9, First Schedule. At end of Schedule add "Every species of Snipe; Starling; White-headed Falcon."


Examined—

DANIEL LEVY,
Chairman of Committees.

PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Nesbitt, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Fifth Report from the Printing Committee.

The House adjourned, at seven minutes after Nine o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 20.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 27 AUGUST, 1918.

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

Point of Order.—Mr. Speaker, referring to a decision given by him on Thursday, 22nd August last, in ruling out of order a motion for adjournment under the 49th Standing Order, to discuss a definite matter which could be debated in connection with Supply, said that the Leader of the Opposition at the time asked him if he could quote a precedent. He had since looked into the point, and found a ruling given on 29th July, 1903, on a motion to discuss the "Hare System" of voting, to the effect that Supply being set down for that evening, opportunity would be afforded of discussing the question.

2. WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL.—Mr. George Cann presented a Petition from certain residents of Bankstown Central Ward East, directing attention to the method of increasing the Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

Petition received.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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.) Thirty-fifth Annual Report, with Appendices, under the Inscribed Stock Acts, 1902-1914.
(3.) Report of the Housing Board on Dacey Garden Suburb, Observatory Hill ("The Rocks") Resumed Area, and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 30th June, 1918, together with Photographs and Plans.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation No. 43 under the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 30th June, 1918.
(2.) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Public Companies for quarter ended 30th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. ACQUISITION OF HOMES BY THE PEOPLE:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Simon Richey,—

"(1.) That it is desirable that a larger number of people should be assisted to acquire homes."

"(2.) That the House consider how this desideratum might be best given effect to,—"

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 10th September.

The House adjourned, at twenty-nine minutes after Six o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN J. COHEN,

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

PAPERS:
Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Statement of Accounts showing Income and Expenditure under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, for the year ended 30th June, 1918.
(2.) Amended Regulation No. 83 under the Public Instruction Act of 1880.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Report of the Aborigines Protection Board for 1917. (In substitution for Report laid upon the Table on 11th July, 1918)
(2.) Papers in connection with the internment of The Rev. Father Jerger.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MEssAnKS FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:
(1.) Execution of Instruments (War Facilities) Bill:
Mr. Speaker—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the execution by persons engaged on war service during such service and during a certain period thereafter of certain instruments under the Real Property Act, 1900; to facilitate the making of wills by soldiers and sailors; to amend the Real Property Act, 1900, and the Wills, Probate and Administration Act, 1898; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.
Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th August, 1918. FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) Shire Loans (Amendment) Bill:
Mr. Speaker—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Local Government (Shire Loans) Act, 1914,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.
Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th August, 1918. FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(3.) The Ashtonfields Coal Mines Railway Bill:
Mr. Speaker—
The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to enable William Longworth and Thomas Longworth, of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, to construct a railway from coal lands at Buttai, in the parish of Maitland, county of Northumberland, to the Great Northern Railway at Thornton, in the parish of Alunwick,"—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, 28th August, 1918. FRED. FLOWERS, President.
Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.
3. Sedition Bill:

(1.) Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to impose certain disqualifications upon persons convicted of sedition or other offences; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902; the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912; the Local Government Act, 1906; and the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902; and for other purposes.

Debate ensued.

Point of Order:—Mr. Price, referring to Standing Order No. 133, submitted that the resolution involved expenditure and should have been introduced in Committee of the Whole, and was therefore out of order.

Mr. Speaker said there was nothing in the resolution to indicate that it involved expenditure as contemplated by Standing Order No. 133. He could not uphold the Point of Order.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Noes, 31.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Holman then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to impose certain disqualifications upon persons convicted of sedition, or other offences; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Local Government Act, 1906, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902; and for other purposes," and moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Noes, 31.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a first time.

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

The House adjourned, at one minute before Twelve o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:

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

1. Report by the Chief Inspector of Mines (Mr. J. B. Jaquet) on the Blythe River Iron Deposit, near Burnie, Tasmania.
2. Report by the Chief Inspector of Mines (Mr. J. B. Jaquet) upon impurities in the Blythe River Ore Deposit, near Burnie, Tasmania.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. New Rule in substitution of General Rule No. 58, under the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1899.
2. Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:

1. Report by the Secretary of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, together with separate explanations by the President and Engineer-in-Chief, respecting the findings of the Royal Commissioner, Mr. G. Mason Allard, on the recent retrenchment of Officers.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper—Final Report of the Royal Commissioner (Mr. Wilfred Blackett) respecting the inquiry on the Homebush Abattoirs and the Meat Industry Act, 1915. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS ON TUESDAYS

(Sessional Order—Formal Motion)

Holman 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 p.m., and after that hour Government Business shall take precedence of General Business. Question put and passed.

3. PRISONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intitled "An Act to amend the Prisons Act, 1899,"—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, 30th August, 1918.

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4. **COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL**—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

5. **STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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. Hall, the report was adopted. Ordered, that the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

6. **WOOLLAHRA LOAN BILL**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James 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. James, 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. James, the report was adopted. Ordered, that the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

7. **VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, that this Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Dooley moved, that this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed. Ordered, that the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

8. **CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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.

9. **PRINTING COMMITTEE**—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Sixth Report from the Printing Committee. The House adjourned, at seven minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 23.

VOlTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

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

WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL:

(1.) Mr. Gardiner presented a Petition from certain business men and residents of Newcastle, directing attention to the present system of rating now used by the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board, and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

(2.) Mr. George Cann presented a Petition from certain residents of Bankstown, directing attention to the method of increasing the Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

Petitions received.

2. PAPERS:

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation No. 336 and Additional Regulation No. 185, and Additional Form No. 139, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Weights and Measures Branch, Chief Secretary's Department, for 1917. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Summary of an Act of Congress of the United States of America (approved 16th May, 1918). Ordered to be printed.

3. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL (Formal Order of the Day),—on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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

Mr. An.R. A. RESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd September, 1918.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Marrickville, Mr. Lazzarini, 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 disrating of certain Engine-drivers, and their supersession by less qualified men in the Railway Service."

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick submitted that the Estimates being on the Table it was not competent for the Honorable Member to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a matter which could be dealt with in the discussion on the Budget Speech. The rule was clear that there should be no such duplication of discussion.

Mr. Speaker said there was no doubt as to the procedure in matters of the kind. The rule referred to was a well-established one. He therefore ruled the motion out of order.

5. HOME RULE FOR IRELAND:—Mr. Perry proceeding to move, That in consequence of the treachery and disloyalty exhibited by advocates of Home Rule for Ireland towards the Empire, and their preference for German rule, this House is of opinion that the question of Home Rule for Ireland be deferred until after the war against democracy and civilisation has been definitely decided in favour of the Allies.

Point of Order:—Mr. Doyle submitted that the discussion of this matter would prejudice a judicial inquiry now proceeding, and the subject being sub judice, the motion was out of order.

Mr. Speaker said that unless the Honorable Member could show in what manner the discussion of the motion was likely to prejudice the inquiry to which he referred, he could not rule the motion out of order.

Mr. Perry then moved the motion.

' Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 30. Noes, 22.

Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lane, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Wright.
Mr. Berzer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Tont Smith.
Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Levy, Mr. Brine.
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Lee.
Mr. Cook, Colonial O'Melia, Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Doe, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. J. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Fraser, Tatters, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Holman, Mr. Giff, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. Henshaw, Mr. Walker, Mr. Quirk.
Mr. James, Mr. Walker, Mr. Quirk.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

6. BATHING AND DRESSING ACCOMMODATION FOR MEN EMPLOYED IN AND ABOUT COAL-MINES:—Mr. William Davies moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, all coal-mining employers should be compelled to provide bathing and dressing accommodation for all men employed in and about coal-mines.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. STATEMENT BY JUDGE CURL MIS IN THE ARBITRATION COURT:—Mr. William Davies moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the action of Judge Curlewis, in delivering judgment in the Arbitration Court, stating that "if military conscription is slavery, industrial conscription is no better," is against the best interests of trade-unionism and detrimental to the welfare of the State, and his remarks are entirely unwarrantable.

Debate ensued.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

8. 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

9. SHIRE LOANS (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.

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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary 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.
10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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 fourteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely:—Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Bushell, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Mutch, Colonel Onslow, Mr. Osborne, and Mr. Quirk,—

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPER:—Mr. Grahame 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.

2. LIQUOR (REFUND OF RENT) BILL:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

3. WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS BILL:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practice certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts. Question put and passed.

4. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Grahame moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, the Real Property Act, 1906, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

5. SHIRE LOANS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time, and passed. Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Local Government (Shire Loans) Act, 1914." Question put and passed.

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 Local Government (Shire Loans) Act, 1914," returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 4th September, 1918.
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4th September, 1918.

6. 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 Mr. Colquhoun, 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 a first time, as follows:—
(1.) Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the year 1918-19, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £51,222 as Supplement to Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1918-19.
On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

BIRDS AND ANIMALS PROTECTION BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the protection of certain animals and birds; to repeal the Birds Protection Act, 1901, and the Native Animals Protection Act, 1903; to amend certain other Acts; and for other purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."
Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 4th September, 1918.
FRED. FLOWERS, President.
The House adjourned, at seven minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 1918.

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

PAPERS:

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1917.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Director-General of Public Works on the winding-up of the affairs of Messrs. Norton Griffiths and Company, consequent upon the cancellation of the original Norton Griffiths Agreement.

Ordered to be printed.

2. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Grahame, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. K. 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 make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1914, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 3rd September, 1918.

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

3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. L. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. Holman, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Wednesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

4. PURE FOOD (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. Fuller, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Pure Food Act, 1908; to regulate the publication of statements relating to certain food, drugs, and appliances; to provide for registration in respect of certain businesses dealing with food and drugs; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

5. WOOLABRA LOAN BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, "That" this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Colonel Onslow 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 3 and 4,"—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.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

| Dr. Arthur | Mr. Levy |
| Mr. Rossell | Mr. Nashett |
| Mr. Ball | Mr. Robson |
| Mr. Bettenshaw | Tellers |
| Mr. Doe | Mr. Fallick |
| Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Wearne | Mr. Graff |
| Mr. Grail | Mr. Grahame |
| Mr. Holman | Mr. Hoskins |
| Mr. Hunt | Mr. James |
| Mr. Lane | Mr. Latimer |
| Mr. Leinster | |

Noes, 27.

| Mr. Brookfield | Mr. W. Millard |
| Mr. E. M. Beek | Mr. Mack F. Morton |
| Mr. Michael Burke | Mr. Match |
| Mr. Riddell | Mr. Oakes |
| Mr. George Cann | Mr. O'Brien |
| Mr. O'Chan | Colonel O'Neil |
| Mr. Davidson | Mr. Quick |
| Mr. William Davies | Mr. John Storey |
| Mr. Daley | Mr. Thomas |
| Mr. Doyle | Mr. Wright |
| Mr. Simon Hickey | Tellers |
| Mr. Keasby | Mr. Lang |
| Mr. Lazarus | Mr. Bavin |
| Mr. P. M. McGirr | Mr. McKell |

And so it passed in the negative.

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 clauses 3 and 4,—put and passed.

On motion of Mr. James, 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 progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

6. SEDITION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Holman moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

7. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee.

8. VETERINARY SURGEONS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, “That this Bill be now read a second time,”—And the Question being again proposed,—Mr. John Storey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.

9. UNCLAIMED MONEYS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—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 a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Unclaimed Moneys Act, 1917; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the Unclaimed Moneys Act, 1917; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

The House adjourned, at twelve minutes before Ten o’clock, until Wednesday next, at Four o’clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

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

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (Proposed New and Amended Standing Orders and Rescission of certain Standing Orders):—Mr. Levy, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up from the Standing Orders Committee a Report on proposed New and Amended Standing Orders, and the Rescission of certain Standing Orders.

Ordered to be printed.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(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.
Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amendment of Regulation No. 349, 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:—Schedule to the Estimates for 1918-19.
Ordered to be Printed.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—
(1.) Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act in certain particulars; to provide for the creation of additional trusts; and to grant certain extended powers to the Synod of the Diocese of Newcastle and to the Trustees of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle,"—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, 11th September, 1918.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Nesbitt, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) State Salaries (Commonwealth Taxation) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th September, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.
4. SYMPATHY WITH WILLIAM THOMPSON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR RYDE, AND J. C. HUNT, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR CAMDEN—Mr. Holman, on behalf of the Government and Members of the House, expressed the deepest sympathy with the Honorable Member for Ryde, William Thompson, Esquire, and the Honorable Member for Camden, J. C. Hunt, Esquire, in the loss of their sons, who had fallen in the fighting at the front.

Mr. John Storey addressed the House, and expressed his sympathy with the Honorable Members in their loss.

Mr. Speaker also addressed the House, and added his sympathy.

5. SUPPLY—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 Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER, 1918, A.M.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,  
Speaker.
THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board relating to the appointment, on probation, of Mr. E. C. Billerwell as Assistant Search Clerk, Registrar-General's Department. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Birds and Animals Protection Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 31.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the protection of certain animals and birds; to repeal the Birds Protection Act, 1901, and the Native Animals Protection Act, 1903; to amend certain other Acts; and for other 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.

Government House, Sydney, 12th September, 1918.

(2.) Shire Loans (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Message No. 32.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Local Government (Shire Loans) Act, 1914,"—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, 12th September, 1918.

3. SUPPLY:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.


Mr. Dooley having addressed the House,—Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
New South Wales.

No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent.

Whereupon the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, pursuant to the 22nd Standing Order of the House.

2. WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL.—Mr. George Cann presented a Petition from certain residents of Punchbowl, directing attention to the method of increasing Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

Petition received.

3. URGENCY—ACTION OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS IN REGARD TO A. W. BUCKLEY.—Mr. Buckley moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion:—That this House enters its emphatic protest against the action of the Railway Commissioners in refusing A. W. Buckley (candidate on behalf of the Railway and Tramway Service Association for the vacancy on the Railway Superannuation Board) to address meetings on behalf of his candidature, in accordance with previous practice.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Beeby, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. G. M. Dooley, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lezarini, Mr. Loughlin, Mr. P. M. McCaw, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mote.

Noes, 32.

Mr. O'Brien, Mr. F. o. Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Smart Roberta, Mr. Wright, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Quirk, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Muteh, Mr. George Cann.

And so it passed in the negative.

4. PAPERS:—Mr. Beeby laid upon the Table the following Paper—Comparative Statement regarding Labour-Exchanges Fees in Victoria, New Zealand, New South Wales, and Queensland. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper—Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated to Public Purposes, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearns, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee.
6. DEATH OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE SIR GEORGE HOUSTON REID, P.C., C.M.G., D.C.L., K.C., M.P.—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Lady Reid the profound sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales at the death of her distinguished husband.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey,—

Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Lady Reid the profound sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales at the death of her distinguished husband.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey,—

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

7. APPOINTMENT OF THE CLERKS OF THE HOUSE TO ACT AS TELLERS IN DIVISION.—Mr. Cochran moved, pursuant to Notice, That the appointment of the Clerks of the House to act as Tellers on Thursday, 28th February, 1918, a.m., on the motion of the Honorable G. S. Beeby, Minister for Labour and Industry, "That the Honourable Member for Darling Harbour be not further heard," is contrary to the rules and Standing Orders of this House, and the practice of the Imperial Parliament as laid down in May’s "Parliamentary Practice," and constitutes an infringement of the rights of Honourable Members, and a breach of the privilege of Parliament.

Debate ensued.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Dr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bagwell,
Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Betternshaw,
Mr. Coke,
Mr. Colquhoun,
Mr. Doe,
Mr. Fallow,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. Graham,
Mr. Grimm,
Mr. Hawkins,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. McIlray,
Mr. W. Milford,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Robson,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Weare,
Mr. Zoill.

Tellers,
Mr. Briner,
Mr. Cookefield,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Cochran,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Devine,
Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearley,
Mr. Longham,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. Match,
Mr. O’Brien,
Colonel Onalow.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

And it being after half-past Six o’clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

8. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midday,—

THURSDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midday,—

FRIDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

Mr. Speaker entered the House and took the Chair.

The Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the sitting.

9. SYMPATHY WITH MR. SPEAKER.—Mr. Holman, on behalf of Members of the House, expressed the deepest sympathy with Mr. Speaker in the loss sustained by the death of his father, the late Mr. Samuel Cohen.

Mr. John Storey addressed the House and added his sympathy.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House and expressed his thanks to Honourable Members.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at fifteen minutes after One o’clock, a.m. (Friday), until Monday next, at Eleven o’clock, a.m.
MONDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 1918, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

10. PAPER.—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, 1918; 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.

11. STATE SALARIES (COMMONWEALTH TAXATION) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. P. CULLEN,
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to render certain salaries, allowances, and remunerations liable to taxation by the Commonwealth; 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.

Government House,
Sydney, 19th September, 1918.

12. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midday,—

MONDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

TUESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER, 1918, a.m.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midday,—

TUESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER, 1918.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER, 1918, A.M.

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

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions. Ordered, on motion of the Temporary Chairman, That the report be now received.

The Temporary Chairman then reported the resolutions, which were read a first time, as follows:—

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—1918-19.

Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. II.—EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE.

(2.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £33,104, for Executive and Legislative, for the year 1918-19.

No. III.—PREMIER.

(3.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £78,523, for Premier, for the year 1918-19.

No. IV.—COLONIAL SECRETARY AND MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

(4.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,573,631, for Colonial Secretary and Minister of Public Health, for the year 1918-19.

No. V.—TREASURER AND SECRETARY FOR FINANCE AND TRADE.

(5.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,523,887, for Treasurer and Secretary for Finance and Trade, for the year 1918-19.

No. VI.—RAILWAYS.

(6.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,573,132, for Railways and Tramways—Existing Lines—Working Expenses, for the year 1918-19.

No. VII.—DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND OF JUSTICE.

(7.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £425,909, for Department of the Attorney-General and of Justice, for the year 1918-19.

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(8.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £386,728, for Secretary for Lands, for the year 1918-19.

(9.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £840,615, for Minister for Public Works, for the year 1918-19.

(10.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,931,746 for Public Instruction, for the year 1918-19.

(11.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £65,505, for Department of Labour and Industry, for the year 1918-19.

(12.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £66,669, for Secretary for Mines, for the year 1918-19.

(13.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £275,207, for Department of Agriculture, for the year 1918-19.

(14.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £330,565, for Minister for Local Government, for the year 1918-19.

(15.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £57,597 7s., in adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1917-18.

(16.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £579,569 for Works and Services to be provided for out of Public Works Fund.

(17.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £66,669 for Closer Settlement Fund.

(18.) Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £100,000, to provide for the Acquisition of Land for the purposes of Closer Settlement and Conjunctive Expenses—further sum.

On motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, the resolutions were read a second time, and agreed to.

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

(1.) Report of the Forestry Commission for year ended 30th June, 1918.

(2.) Schedules A to G, Estimates (Consolidated Revenue Fund), 1918-1919, Department of Public Works.

(3.) Schedules 1 to 4, 1918-1919, Estimates, Public Works Fund (Construction).

Ordered to be printed.

14. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Kearsey, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Ninth Report from the Printing Committee.

15. WAYS AND MEANS:—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.

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 a first time, as follows:—

(2.) Resolved,—That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1918-19, the sum of £16,425,521 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(b) In adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1917-18, for Services of the financial year 1917-18, the sum of £57,597 7s. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(c) For Services of the financial year 1917-18, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £260,558 7s. 11d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
16. APPROPRIATION BILL:

(1) Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4), 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, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments "Unauthorised in Suspense," Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Closer Settlement Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects.

(2) Mr. Fitzpatrick 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, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and to provide for Services out of the Closer Settlement 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 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.

Ordered (by consent), that the Bill be now read a third time.

(4) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to appropriate and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales certain Sums to make good the Supplies granted for the Service of the year from the 1st day of July, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Closer Settlement Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects."

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, 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, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Closer Settlement Fund; and for purposes connected with and incidental to the above objects,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 25th September, 1918, A.M.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair at three minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until half-past Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.
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(6.) Balance-sheet, Profit and Loss Account, and Trading Account of the State Monier Pipe and Reinforced Concrete Works for the year ended 30th June, 1918.
(6.) Balance-sheet, Profit and Loss Account, and Trading Account of the State Brickworks, Homebush Bay, for the year ended 30th June, 1918.
(7.) Balance-sheet, Profit and Loss Account, and Trading Account of the State Motor Garage for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Statement of Accounts of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1918.
(2.) Interim Report of 21st August, 1918, also Final Report of 28th August, 1918, of the Royal Commissioner (Mr. Wilfred Blacket, K.C.) respecting the Inquiry on the Homebush Abattoirs and the Meat Industry Act, 1915, together with Minutes of Evidence and Exhibits on both Sections.

Ordered to be printed.

18. LOAN ESTIMATES—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, the 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 1918-19, proposed to be provided for by Loan.

State Government House,
Sydney, 25th September, 1918.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimate, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

19. SUPPLY—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 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1918-19, to be raised by Loan, a sum not exceeding £3,725,100 for Public Works and other Services.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

20. WAYS AND MEANS—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.

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 a first time as follows:

Resolved,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty during the present Session, a sum not exceeding £3,725,100 be raised by the issue of Debentures or Inscribed Stock, secured upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund, or pending the issue of Debentures or Inscribed Stock, by the issue of Treasury Bills, to defray the expenses of certain Public Works and Services.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

21. LOAN BILL:
(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, that a Bill be brought in, founded on resolution of Ways and Means (No. 5), to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services, and for other purposes.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick 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.

(3.) 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 (by consent), That the Bill be now read a third time.
(4.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, passed.
Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to authorise the raising of a Loan for Public Works and Services, and for other purposes."
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, 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.

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Sydney, 26th September, 1918, A.M.

22. Appropriation 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 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, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote 'Advance to Treasurer,' 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments 'Unauthorised in Suspense,' Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and to provide for Services out of the Closer Settlement 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, 25th September, 1918.

23. Special Adjournment.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next, at "Seven" o'clock, p.m.
Mr. Wright moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "Seven," and inserting the word "Four" instead thereof.
Question,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and passed.
Original Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at sixteen minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at Seven o'clock, p.m.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
No. 29.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

PAPERS:

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

(1.) Amended Regulation under the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910.

(2.) Amended Regulation No. 11, under the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New Rule of the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1.) Amended By-law of the University of Sydney.

(2.) New By-law of the University of Sydney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. DEATH OR THE LORD HONORABLE SIR GEORGE HOUSTON REID, P.C., G.C.M.G., D.C.L., K.C., M.P.:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had communicated to Lady Reid, by cable, the resolution agreed to by the House on 17th ultimo, expressing its profound sympathy and sorrow at the death of her distinguished husband, and that he had received thereto the following reply:—“I greatly appreciate kind message of sympathy from Legislative Assembly. Please convey my grateful thanks.”

3. APPROPRIATION BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,

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, 1918, to the 30th day of June, 1919 (inclusive of both dates); to adjust the Vote, ‘Advances to Treasurer,’ 1917-18, Consolidated Revenue Fund, for supplementary charges during the period from the 1st day of July, 1917, to the 30th day of June, 1918 (inclusive of both dates); to cover payments ‘Unauthorised in Suspense,’ Consolidated Revenue Fund, for urgent claims on account of Services of the year 1917-18; to provide for Public Works and other Services out of the Public Works Fund; and to provide for Services out of the Closer Settlement 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 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, 28th September, 1918.
4. **INCOME TAX 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 increase the amount of the income tax on income received during 1918; and for that purpose to amend certain acts.

State Government House, Sydney, 13th September, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

5. **SEDITION BILL**:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Holman, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—And the Question being again proposed,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 2 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

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

(1.) Justices (Bail) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise certain persons to grant bail to persons in custody; to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901, the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, and the Justices Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 26th September, 1918.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Holman, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(2.) Prisoners Detention (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Prisoners Detention Act, 1908,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 2nd October, 1918.

Bill, on motion by Mr. Holman, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

(3.) Jury (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to exempt certain commercial travellers and mining managers from serving upon a jury; and to amend the Jury Act, 1912,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 2nd October, 1918.

Bill, on motion of Mr. Holman, read a first time. Ordered to be printed, and read a second time To-morrow.

2. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Beeby moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1913, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.
3. *Sedition Bill.*—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Holman, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—And the Question being again proposed,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Disorder—Apology:—The Honorable Member for Newcastle, Mr. Gardiner, having disregarded repeated directions from the Chair to rise in his place and withdraw certain words, and apologize for their use, the Honorable Member was removed from the Chamber by the Acting Serjeant-at-Arms, by direction of Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 392. The Honorable Member for Darling Harbour, Mr. Cochran, having intimated that the Honorable Member for Newcastle was willing to apologize if afforded an opportunity—the Honorable Member was re-admitted by direction of Mr. Speaker, withdrew the words, and apologized for their use.

Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

THURSDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 1918, A.M.

Debate continued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House adjourned, at twenty-nine minutes after Two o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m. This Day.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—

Mr. Ashford 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.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Public Service List for 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. 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. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(1.) Coal Mines Regulation (Amending) 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 Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912, and the Coal Mines Regulation (Amending) Act, 1913; and for other purposes.

State Government House,
Sydney, 3rd October, 1918.

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

By Mr. Ashford,—

(2.) Closer Settlement (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 law relating to Closer Settlement and to Settlement Purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 16th September, 1918.

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

(3.)
(3.) Crown Lands Leases Withdrawal 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 that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes.

State Government House, Sydney, 16th September, 1918.

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

(4.) Land Surveyors 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 registration of surveyors; to authorise registered surveyors to enter land for purposes relating to surveys; to regulate the practice of surveyors; to amend the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 16th September, 1918.

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

By Mr. D. B. Wall,—

(5.) Women's Legal Status 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 that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts.

State Government House, Sydney, 9th September, 1918.

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

(6.) Companies (Registration of Securities) 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 law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 29th August, 1918.

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

3. Women's Legal Status Bill:

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.
4. COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL:—

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practice certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts."—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

5. COAL MINES REGULATION (AMENDING) BILL:—Mr. J. O' L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912, and the Coal Mines Regulation (Amending) Act, 1913; and for other purposes.

Question put and passed.

6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to Closer Settlement to and to Settlement Purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Closer Settlement and to Settlement Purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2) Mr. Ashford then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the law relating to Closer Settlement and to Settlement Purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

7. CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL BILL:—

(1) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported that the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, that the report be now received.
8. LAND SURVEYORS BILL:

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration of surveyors; to authorise registered surveyors to enter land for purposes relating to surveys; to regulate the practice of surveyors; to amend the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide for the registration of surveyors; to authorise registered surveyors to enter land for purposes relating to surveys; to regulate the practice of surveyors; to amend the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Ashford then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second 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.

FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

10. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1909, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1909, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Ashford then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1909, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Ashford, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee.

12. POSTPONEMENTS:—The remainder of Government Business and the Orders of the Day of General Business were postponed (by consent), on motion of Mr. Ashford, until after Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business.

13. CASE OF MR. A. G. ROBERTSON:—Mr. Bruntonn moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. A. G. Robertson, formerly employed by the Public Works Department.
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Walker, Mr. Fullick, Mr. George Cann, Colonel Onslow, and the Mover.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned, at twelve minutes after Six o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 8 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:
Mr. Bull laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and Loss Account of the Building Construction
(Industrial Undertaking) for year ended 30th June, 1918.
(2.) Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and Loss Account of the Maroubra Sandstone
Quarry for year ended 30th June, 1918.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Papers relating to the suspension of
Mr. W. A. Oakley from the service of the Railway Commissioners.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency
the Governor was delivered by Mr. Beeby, 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 further amend
the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for
the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries;
to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act,
1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon
or incidental thereto.
State Government House,
Sydney, 3rd October, 1918.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Durham,
Mr. Bennett, 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 inconvenience
and loss inflicted on the residents of the Lower Hunter through the imposition of a timetable
"at the Miller's Forest and Nelson's Plains Ferries."
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—
Mr. Bennett moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bennett, Mr. McKeil, Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ley,
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Pory, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Slaming,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Quick, Mr. Ball, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. George Cross, Mr. John Stowey, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Beech,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. Wright, Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. William Davies, Talees, Mr. Cooks, Colonel Oswol,
Mr. Boyle, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Robin.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 27.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Slaming,
Mr. Ball, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Beeby, Mr. Beech,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Cooks, Colonel Oswol,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Robin.

And the Question being again proposed,—

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

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd October.

6. APPOINTMENT OF THE CLERKS OF THE HOUSE TO ACT AS TELLERS IN DIVISION:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cooks, “That the appointment of the Clerks of the House to act as Tellers on Thursday, 28th February, 1918, is contrary to the rules and Standing Orders of this House, and constitutes an infringement of the rights of Honorable Members, and a breach of the privilege of Parliament,”—And the Question being again proposed,—

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

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. THE ASHTONFIELDS COAL MINE RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day for the Second reading of this Bill read, and, on motion of Mr. Beeby, postponed until Tuesday next.

8. REFERENDUM ON ABOLITION OF OFFICE OF STATE GOVERNOR:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell, “That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should introduce a measure providing that a referendum be taken at the next General Election to ascertain the wishes of the people with regard to the abolition of the office of State Governor,”—And the Question being again proposed,—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd October.

And it being after half-past Six o’clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

3. SEDITION BILL: — The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Holman, “That this Bill be now read a second time,”—And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 9 OCTOBER, 1918, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Brintnell, Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. Cock, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Crane, Mr. Falleck, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grimne, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. James, Mr. Latimer.

Mr. Lee, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Oaken, Coloured Oslow, Coloured Oslow, Mr. Robinson, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Warne, Mr. Zailit, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Lee, Mr. Colquhoun.

Mr. Bavin, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Grahame, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Keasby, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Quirk.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Mutch, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Osborne.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Bell, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Brintnell, Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. Cock, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Crane, Mr. Falleck, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grimne, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Oaken, Coloured Oslow, Coloured Oslow, Mr. Robinson, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Warne, Mr. Zailit, Tellers, Mr. Lee, Mr. Colquhoun.

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Noes, 27.

Mr. Mutch, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Tellers, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Osborne.
The House divided.

### Ayes, 34

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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.

### Ayes, 33

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twelve minutes before Five o'clock a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., this Day.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:—Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

1. Amended Regulations Nos. 17A and 89, under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912. Referred by Seational Order to the Printing Committee.

2. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Cooyal Estate, on the Mudgee—Gulgong Railway.

3. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Fordwiche Estate, in the Singleton District, Northern Railway.

4. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Moorakyn Estate, on the Moree to Inverell Railway.

5. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition for the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Tarrabandra Estate, on the Cootamundra to Tomtit Railway.

6. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Walbundrie Estate, on the Culcairn to Corowa Railway.

7. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Vannawah Estate, on the Forbes to Stockinbingal Railway.

8. Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Yarrandale Estate, on the Dubbo to Coonamble Railway.

Ordered to be printed.

2. 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. Holman:—

1. Loan Bill:—
W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize 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 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, 8th October, 1918.

2. Stamp Duties (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 Stamp Duties Act, 1898, the Companies (Death Duties) Act, 1901, the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1904, and the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1914; to alter and impose certain stamp, probate, and other duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 8th October, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.
(3.) Income Tax Management (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 law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th October, 1918.

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

3. SEDITION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the reconsideration of the Bill.

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

4. CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford 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. Ashford, 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. Osborne, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

5. POOR PERSONS LEGAL REMEDIES BILL:—

(1.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise Judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise Judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain Acts; 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.

6. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Osborne, Temporary Chairman, 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; 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.
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9th October, 1918.

7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. D. R. Hall 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.

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:
Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—By-laws of the Municipality of Goulburn, under the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Acts, 1880-1905. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:
1. Amendment of Second Schedule (Bailiffs' Fees) of District Courts Act, 1912.

The House adjourned, at nine minutes before Five o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPER:—Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Annual Report of the Stock Branch, Department of Agriculture, for the year ended 30th June, 1918. — Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. Holman (by consent) 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. 5 of General Business on the Notice Paper for to-day, and the continuation of the discussion of such motion after 6.30 p.m. Question put and passed.

3. VOTE OF CENSURE—OFFICIAL TOUR OF THE HONORABLE G. S. BEEBY, MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND INDUSTRY, IN AMERICA:—Mr. John Storey moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, and in view of the financial stringency with which this State is involved, the Government is deserving of the most severe censure for permitting and acquiescing in the departure of the Honourable G. S. Beeby, Minister for Labour and Industry, to officially tour America at the present time.

(2.) That the above resolution be conveyed by address to His Excellency the Governor.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ashford moved, That the Question be now put. Question put, “That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 46.

Dr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Bagwill,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. Bavin,
Mr. Beeby,
Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Bruntell,
Mr. Buntenshaw,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Cooke,
Mr. Colquhoun,
Mr. Cramer,
Mr. Dee,
Mr. Eddie,
Mr. Falle,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. Gaff,
Mr. Graham,
Mr. D. R. Hall,
Mr. Holman,
Mr. Hookins,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. James,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Lee,
Mr. Ley,
Mr. Manning,
Mr. M. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Mark P. Morton,
Lient.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Oakes,
Colonel Oastler,
Mr. Robson,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Stoddery,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Walker,
Mr. Wearns,
Mr. Zeill.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Buckler,
Mr. F. M. Burke,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Russell,
Mr. George Cavin,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Johnson,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazarini,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. Much,
Mr. O’Brian,
Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Price,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart Robertson,
Mr. Wright.

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. Storey having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 27.
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Buckley, Tellers,
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. William Davies.
Mr. Bushnell,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Dooley,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Dykes,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Kearsley,
Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. Mutch,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Price,
Mr. Quirk,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson.

Noes, 46.
Dr. Arthur, Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Ainsford, Mr. James,
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lea,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Levy,
Mr. Barr, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Beeby, Mr. C. R. W. McDonald,
Mr. Benett, Mr. W. Milward,
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Buttonshaw, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nethibit,
Mr. Cooke, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Oakes,
Mr. Crace, Colonel Oaslow,
Mr. Doo, Mr. Robson,
Mr. Edlen, Mr. David Storey,
Mr. Fieldik, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Graff, Mr. Wernoe,
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Zoll,
Mr. Grimm, Tellers,
Mr. D. S. Hall,
Mr. Holman, Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Ley.

And so it passed in the negative.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

4. SEDITION 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,—

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 1918, a.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House adjourned, at nineteen minutes before Four o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

CASE OF MR. A. L. ROBERTSON:—Mr. Ball presented a Petition from Thomas Bryce Cooper, Under Secretary for Public Works, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. A. L. Robertson, formerly employed by the Public Works Department; and praying for permission to appear in person, by Solicitor or Counsel, before such Committee, with the right to adduce evidence, and power to examine and cross-examine witnesses. Petition received. Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

2. PAPERS:
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1918. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Police reports respecting motor accidents and fast motoring in Macquarie and College streets, Sydney. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford 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, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Report of the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage for the year ended 30th June, 1918; together with Appendices, Diagrams, and Plans. Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Return respecting the number of men employed in the Railway and Tramway Service between 31st July, 1917, and 31st July, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of Agreements entered into by the Government with the Wheat-shipping Firms for handling wheat of the harvests 1916-17 and 1917-18. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Public Service Board for year ended 30th June, 1918. Ordered to be printed.

3. SEDITION 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 reconsideration of the Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill 2° with further amendments. Mr. James moved, That the report be now adopted. Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Levy, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Seaton, Nicholas, Mr. Oakley, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallrick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graff, Mr. Graham, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Grahame, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lennox, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leys, Mr. Manley, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Seaton, Nicholas, Mr. Oakley, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallrick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graff, Mr. Graham, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Grahame, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Bonicke, Mr. Simkin Hickey, Mr. Binshull, Mr. Quirk, Mr. George Cavan, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Keasely, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McKail, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart- Robertson, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lennox, Mr. Lennox, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leys, Mr. Manley, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Seaton, Nicholas, Mr. Oakley, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Doe, Mr. Fallrick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graff, Mr. Graham, Mr. Dobson, Mr. Grahame, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

4. INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

5. WAYS AND MEANS (Taxation):—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 Mr. Colquhoun, 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 a first time, as follows:

(6.) Resolved,—That towards raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty, there shall be charged, collected, levied, and paid an additional 3d. in the £ income tax on income received during the year 1918.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

6. INCOME TAX BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 6), to increase the amount of the income tax on income received during 1918, and for that purpose to amend certain Acts.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to increase the amount of the income tax on income received during 1918; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,"—which was read a first time.

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

7. CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the report was adopted.

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

The House adjourned, at nine minutes before Twelve o'clock, until tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

CASE OF MR. A. L. ROBERTSON:—Mr. Bruntnell presented a Petition from Alexander Lindsay Robertson, Civil Engineer, of Sydney, New South Wales, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. A. L. Robertson, formerly employed by the Public Works Department; and praying for permission to appear in person, by Solicitor or Counsel, before such Committee, with the right to adduce evidence, and power to examine and cross-examine witnesses.

Petition received.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

2. PAPERS:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Papers:
   (1.) Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and loss Account of the State Clothing Factory for year ended 30th June, 1918.
   (2.) Balance-sheet, Trading Account, and Profit and Loss Account of the State Drug Depot for year ended 30th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. SEDITION BILL (Formal Order of the Day):—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Reginald, Mr. Bell, Mr. Beeby, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Bektunch, Mr. Cooke, Mr. P. L. Poole, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graham, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. James, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Manning, Mr. H. W. Merton, Mr. Nixham, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Oakes, Colonel O'Neal, Mr. Perry, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Walker, Mr. Xauril, Tellers, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Dow.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Buxley, Mr. Kawke, Mr. F. W. Sourko, Mr. O'Keian, Mr. Nixham, Mr. George Cayn, Mr. Davidson, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doone, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright, Tellers, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Keane, Mr. Keegan, Tellers, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Long, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Walker, Mr. Simon Hickey, Tellers, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Doone, Mr. Keane, Mr. Quirk, Mr. Long, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Gregory McGirr.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. James moved, That the Bill do now pass.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bell, Mr. Besley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brettnell, Mr. Butterman, Mr. Colpouhan, Mr. Crane, Mr. Doon, Mr. Fallick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graham, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Jones, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Breakfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Breakfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Dale, Mr. Davis, Mr. Doole, Mr. Doyle, Mr. F. E. S. Ferrars, Mr. Fall, Mr. L. G. Gillingham, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Grace, Mr. Green, Mr. Grey, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. J. C. H. Jellicoe, Mr. J. C. H. Jellicoe, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lee, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Brien.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to impose certain disqualifications upon persons convicted of sedition or other offences; to amend the Constitution Act, 1912, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1918, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902; and for other purposes."

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bell, Mr. Besley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brettnell, Mr. Butterman, Mr. Colpouhan, Mr. Crane, Mr. Doon, Mr. Fallick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graham, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Jones, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Buckley, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Davidon, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Doole, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell, Mr. Mutch, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Brien.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. James moved, That the Bill be carried to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:

Mr. President,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to impose certain disqualifications upon persons convicted of sedition or other offences; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1918, the Local Government Act, 1906, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Besley, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brettnell, Mr. Butterman, Mr. Colpouhan, Mr. Crane, Mr. Doon, Mr. Fallick, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Graham, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Jones, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levy.

Noes, 27.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Breakfield, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Dale, Mr. Davis, Mr. Doole, Mr. Doyle, Mr. F. E. S. Ferrars, Mr. Fall, Mr. L. G. Gillingham, Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Grace, Mr. Green, Mr. Grey, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. J. C. H. Jellicoe, Mr. J. C. H. Jellicoe, Mr. Kearsley, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Mutch, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. O'Brien.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Message to the Legislative Council sent accordingly.
4. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:**—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) **Bills of Sale (Amendment) Bill:**—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision with regard to the discharge of bills of sale; to remove certain anomalies in regard to the protection afforded by a bill of sale; and to amend the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and the Small Debts Recovery Act, 1912,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th October, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

(2.) **Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Amendment Bill:**—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited); and to validate certain actions of the said company,"—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, 17th October, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

(3.) **Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited (Amendment) Bill:**—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited; and to validate certain actions of the said company,"—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, 17th October, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a first time.
Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

5. **CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. James, passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th October, 1918.

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 that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th October, 1918.

6. **PRINTING COMMITTEE:**—Mr. Bennett, as Chairman, brought up the Eleventh Report from the Printing Committee.

7. **INCOME TAX 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 on Tuesday next.

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8. INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) 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 a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to:

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill intitled "A Bill to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

9. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Grahame 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. Grahame, 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. G. H. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

10. WOOLLAHRA LOAN 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 2d with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. James, the report was adopted.

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

The House adjourned, at twenty-nine minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

Mr. Fuller informed the House that since the House last met, one of their Members, Mr. G. T. C. Miller, Member for Monaro, had passed away, and, out of respect for his memory, moved, That this House do now adjourn until this evening at Seven o'clock.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-nine minutes before Five o'clock, until Seven o'clock this evening.

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

2. DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MEMBER FOR MONARO.—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss it has sustained by the death of Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, Member for Monaro.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey, and supported by Mr. D. R. Hall, and Mr. Speaker having addressed the House,—

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

3. PAPER.—Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Bursary Endowment Board for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

The House adjourned, at ten minutes before Eight o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:
Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Report regarding allegations of unfair administration of the Pure Food Branch, Department of Public Health. Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Information respecting the Consolidation of New South Wales Disaster Relief Funds. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:
Amended Regulation No. 2, and Additional Regulation No. 19a, under the Wentworth Irrigation Act, 1890. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford 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.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:
Papers respecting the Garvie Smith Institute for the manufacture of Anthrax Vaccine. Ordered to be printed.

2. POSTPONEMENTS:
The following Orders of the Day were postponed:
(1.) Home Rule for Ireland; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Perry, "That in consequence of the treachery and disloyalty exhibited by advocates of Home Rule for Ireland towards the Empire, and their preference for German rule, this House is of opinion that the question of Home Rule for Ireland be deferred until after the war against democracy and "civilisation has been definitely decided in favour of the Allies".—until Tuesday, 5th November.

(2.) Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Council Bill); resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Nesbitt, "That this Bill be now read a second time".—until Tuesday next.

3. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (SCHOOL BOARDS) BILL:
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James, 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 provide for the establishment of Boards to have certain duties with respect to Public Schools; to dissolve the existing Public School Boards; to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1890; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.
State Government House, Sydney, 18th October, 1918.
Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.

4. URGENCY—PAYMENT TO SIR WILLIAM CULLEN WHILE ACTING AS LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:
Mr. Gardiner moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 9 standing on the Business Paper for Today.
Question put.
The House divided.

**Ayes, 27.**

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. John Stacey, 
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, 
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Wright, 
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. George Cann, 
Mr. Davidon, Mr. Gardiner, 
Mr. William Dafnis, Mr. O'Brien, 
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, 
Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, 
Mr. K. Ashford, Mr. Kearney, 
Mr. Lang, Mr. McGarry, 
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McKell, 
Mr. Match, Mr. Osborne, 
Mr. Price, Mr. Quirk, 
Mr. Tom Smith, 

**Noes, 41.**

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane, 
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lee, 
Mr. Hall, Mr. D. Burke, 
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Leary, 
Mr. Beeby, Mr. Kearsley, 
Mr. Bruntsill, Mr. Manning, 
Mr. Buttsenlaw, Mr. V. Milford, 
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Mark F. Morton, 
Mr. Cooke, Mr. Neidits, 
Mr. Collybourn, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, 
Mr. Cran, Mr. O'Brien, 
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Walsh, 
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, 
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thomas, 
Mr. Graff, Mr. Heo, 
Mr. Grim, Mr. Zeller, 
Mr. D. R. Hall, 
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Bavin, 
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Nelson, 
Mr. James, 

And so it passed in the negative.

5. **ADJOURNMENT.—** Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Gloucester, Mr. Price, 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 placing the New South Wales Government Railways Service Superannuation Fund on a sound and solvent basis."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,— Mr. Price moved, That this House do now adjourn.

The House divided.

**Ayes, 35.**

Dr. Arthur, Mr. James, 
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane, 
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lee, 
Mr. Hall, Mr. Leary, 
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Manning, 
Mr. Beeby, Mr. W. Milford, 
Mr. Bruntsill, Mr. Harry Morton, 
Mr. Buttsenlaw, Mr. Neidits, 
Mr. Cooke, Mr. O'Brien, 
Mr. Collybourn, Mr. Perry, 
Mr. Cran, Mr. Rose, 
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Thomas, 
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker, 
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Zeller, 
Mr. Graham, Teller, 
Mr. D. R. Hall, 
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Cameron, 
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Wearne, 
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Bavin, 
Mr. Price, Mr. Osborne, 

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

The House divided.

**Ayes, 37.**

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Lane, 
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lee, 
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Leary, 
Mr. Hall, Mr. Leary, 
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Manning, 
Mr. Beeby, Mr. W. Milford, 
Mr. Bruntsill, Mr. Harry Morton, 
Mr. Buttsenlaw, Mr. Mark F. Morton, 
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Neidits, 
Mr. Cooke, Mr. O'Brien, 
Mr. Cran, Mr. Perry, 
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Rose, 
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas, 
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Wearne, 
Mr. Graham, Mr. Zeller, 
Mr. D. R. Hall, Teller, 
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Cameron, 
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Collybourn, 
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Walker, 
Mr. James, 

And it appearing by the Teller's 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 negatived.
6. POOR PERSONS LEGAL REMEDIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Point of Order:—Mr. Price submitted that this Bill interfered with trade, and should have been introduced in Committee of the Whole in accordance with Standing Order 246; he also contended that the Bill should have been preceded by a Message.

Mr. Speaker ruled the Bill in order.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again Tomorrow.

7. INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (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. 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. Fitzpatrick, the report was adopted.

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

8. IRRIGATION (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.

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

On motion of Mr. Grahame, the report was adopted.

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

9. WOOLLAHRA LOAN BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. James, passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain monies; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to authorise the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain monies; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its consideration.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 23rd October, 1918.

The House adjourned, at fifteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Chief Commissioner for Railways
and Tramways for the quarter ended 30th September, 1918.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued
under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts on 18th October, 1918.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT (EXHIBITIONERS' FEES) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency
the Governor was delivered by Mr. James, 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 authorise the
Senate of the University to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and
Educational Institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of
Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes
consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 22nd October, 1918.

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

3. ADJOURNMENT:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Parramatta, Mr.
Bruntnell, 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 present discontent
among tramway employees owing to faulty administration."
And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable
Members,—

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

Point of Order:—Mr. Lang submitted that the subject of this motion was covered by Notice
No. 1 of General Business, standing in the name of Mr. John Storey, on the Notice Paper for
today, and the motion was therefore out of order.

Mr. Speaker upheld the objection, and ruled the motion out of order.

(2.) Mr. Lang moved, That a second motion for the adjournment of the House be now entertained.

Question put.

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The House divided.

### Ayes, 21.
- Mr. Brookfield
- Mr. George Cann
- Mr. Coe
- Mr. Davidson
- Mr. William Davies
- Mr. Dooley
- Mr. Doyle
- Mr. Simon Hickey
- Mr. Johnston
- Mr. Kearsley
- Mr. Keegan
- Mr. Lang
- Mr. Lazzarini
- Mr. P. M. McGirr
- Mr. MeKell
- Mr. Mutch
- Mr. Tom Smith
- Mr. Stuart-Robertson
- Mr. Weight

### Noes, 38.
- Mr. Latimer
- Mr. Lewis
- Mr. Milledge
- Mr. Harry Morten
- Mr. Mark P. Morten
- Mr. Nesbitt
- Mr. Lott
- Mr. Colton, Colston
- Mr. Perry
- Mr. Bolson
- Mr. Thomas
- Mr. Zillit
- Mr. Bruntnell
- Mr. Manning
- Mr. Bruntell
- Mr. Groom
- Mr. B. R. Hall
- Mr. Holman
- Mr. Hodkins
- Mr. Hunt
- Mr. James
- Mr. Lane

And so it passed in the negative.

4. **INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) 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.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL** — The Order of the Day having been read, — Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

6. **INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL** (continuation of Entry 4) — On motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, this Bill was passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, 
Sydney, 24th October, 1918.

7. **INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL** — The Order of the Day having been read, — Mr. Beeby 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. Beeby, 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 at a later hour of the day.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at five minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tomorrow, at half-past Two o'clock.

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**FRIDAY, 25 OCTOBER, 1918.**

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

8. **PRINTING COMMITTEE** — Mr. Graff, on behalf of Mr. Oakes, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Twelfth Report from the Printing Committee.

9. **INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER 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.

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

On motion of Mr. Beeby, the report was adopted.

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

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10. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ashford moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. P. M. McGirr moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

The House adjourned, at twenty-seven minutes after Six o’clock, p.m., until Tuesday next, at Four o’clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, 
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Vacant Seat—Death of Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, Member for Monaro—

Mr. Speaker reported that he had received from the Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on 20th October, 1918, of Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Monaro.

Mr. Fuller moved, That the seat of Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, lately serving in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Monaro, hath become and is now vacant by reason of the death of the said Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller.

Question put and passed.

Papers:

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations Nos. 38 to 46 and Nos. 102 to 105, under the Forestry Act, 1916.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

University Amendment (Exhibitioners' Fees) Bill (Formal Motion):—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and educational institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

Postponement:

The Order of the Day, “Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Council Bill);” resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Nesbitt, ‘That this Bill be now read a second time’;—postponed until To-morrow.

Messages from His Excellency the Governor:

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

By Mr. Boddy,—

Trade Union (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 further amend the law relating to trade unions; to amend the Trade Union Act, 1881; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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

By
By Mr. Ball,—

(2.) Railway Service Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Government.

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 law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1915, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

State Government House,
Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

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

By Mr. Grahame,—

(3.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Government.

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 make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

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

By Mr. C. L. Fitzpatrick,—

(4.) Housing (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Government.

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 Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

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

(5.) Income Tax Bill (No. 2):—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Government.

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 increase the amount of the income-tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts.

State Government House,
Sydney, 25th October, 1918.

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Waverley, Mr. Oakes, 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.:—(1) The negotiations by the Government in regard to the acquiring by them of anthrax vaccines; (2) the conditions of the "McGarvie Smith and Gunn anthrax gifts to the State; (3) the need for fuller Governmental "control over these bequests."

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

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

Debate ensued.

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29th October, 1918.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

7. Public Instruction (School Boards) Bill.—Mr. James moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the establishment of boards to have certain duties with respect to public schools; to dissolve the existing Public School Boards; to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. Ways and Means (Production):—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.

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 a first time, as follows:

(7.) Resolved,—That towards raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty, there shall be charged, collected, levied, and paid an additional 3d. in the £ income tax, upon income with respect to which income tax is payable in the year 1919.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

9. Income Tax Bill (No. 2):—Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, That a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 7), to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,”—which was read a first time.

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

10. Income Tax Bill.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read,—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Order of the Day be discharged.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

11. Irrigation (Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Grahame moved, “That” this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. McGarry 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, subclause xxiii, lines 18 to 43,” 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, 29.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. James, Mr. Match, Mr. Brookfield.
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lome, Mr. Michael Burke.
Mr. Ball, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Michael Burke.
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Levy, Mr. John Storey.
Mr. Brownboucl, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Grahame.
Mr. Cooks, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Grahame.
Mr. Don, Lisset-Col. Nicholas.
Mr. Flood, Coland O'Dowd.
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Perry, Tellers.
Mr. Feller, Mr. Thomas, Tellers.
Mr. Graff, Mr. Walker, Tellers.
Mr. Grahame, Tellers.
Mr. Grim, Tellers.
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Colquhoun.
Mr. Hutton, Mr. Nesbit.
Mr. Hunt, Tellers.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Dooley, Mr. Edden, Tellers.
Mr. Simons, Mr. Hickey, Tellers.
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kearsley, Tellers.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Tellers.
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lazzarini, Tellers.
Mr. McGarri, Mr. McIvor, Tellers.
Mr. W. Millard, Tellers.

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, and, on motion of Mr. Grahame, passed.

Mr. Grahame then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murray-Darling Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, the Real Property Act, 1903, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

Question put and passed.

Ordered,
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 make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitution of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Macquarie Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Crown Lands Amendment Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1908, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

12. Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Grahame, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Grahame then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

13. Local Government Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at sixteen minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPER:—Mr. Grahame 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, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Holman informed the House that, during the absence of Mr. Beeby, who had left the State that afternoon, the Ministerial responsibility of his Department would devolve upon Mr. Grahame, Minister for Agriculture, who had been sworn in that morning as Acting Minister for Labour and Industry; also that he (Mr. Holman) had to-day resigned the position of Treasurer of the State, and his colleague, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, who had been acting for many months as Assistant Treasurer, had been sworn in as Colonial Treasurer.

3. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, “Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill (Council Bill);” resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Nesbitt, “That this Bill be now read a second time”—postponed until To-morrow.

4. SYDNEY HARBOUR TRUST (WHARFAGE AND HARBOUR RATES) 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 exemption of goods of His Majesty from certain wharfage and harbour rates; for that purpose to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900, the Sydney Harbour Rates Act, 1901, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Wharfage and Harbour Rates) Act, 1914.

State Government House, Sydney, 29th October, 1918.

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

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Burrangong, Mr. Loughlin, 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.:—

“Tie injustice being inflicted on children attending non-State schools under the regulations governing the conveyance of children to central schools.”

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

Mr. Loughlin moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put and negatived.
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30th October, 1918.

6. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (SUPERANNUATION AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

Question put and passed.

7. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

8. INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2):—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 Mr. O'Neill, Temporary 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.

9. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Grahame moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at seven minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 31 OCTOBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Papers:
(1.) Papers respecting the McGarvie Smith Institute for the manufacture of Anthrax Vaccine. (In
Supplementations of Papers laid upon the Table on 23rd October, 1918.)
(2.) Minute by the Secretary, Premier's Department, relating to the Papers Tabled respecting the
McGarvie Smith Institute for the manufacture of Anthrax Vaccine.
Ordered to be printed.

2. INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) 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 the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the
Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and
the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; 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, 31st October, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 31st October, 1918.

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

Page 3, clause 5, line 8. After "on" insert "such"

Page 3, clause 5, line 9. Omit "which" insert "not exceeding the taxable income actually received
by such taxpayer during the year ending thirty-first day of December, one thousand
nine hundred and eighteen as"

Page 4, clause 7, line 9. Omit "re-lease" insert "a lease"

Page 4, clause 11. At end of clause add "An information or complaint for the recovery of such
penalty may be made or laid within six years after the matter of the information or
complaint arose."

Examined,—

B. B. O'Conor,
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.
3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Ashfield, Mr. Robson, 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 further increase by the Railway Commissioners of rail and tram fares and freights.” And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honorable Members,—

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

Point of Order:—Mr. Lang submitted that the subject of the motion for adjournment was covered by Notice of Motion No. 6 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day. Mr. Speaker said that the discussion which might take place upon the motion for adjournment might take place upon the motion referred to. He ruled the motion out of order.

4. INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts.” 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, intituled “An Act to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year, 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,” presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 31st October, 1918.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, “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. James, 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.

6. WOOLLAHRA 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 Council of the Municipality of Woollohra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to local government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,”—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 31st October, 1918.

7. POSTPONEMENT:—On motion of Mr. James, the remaining Government Business was postponed until after Order of the Day No. 1 of General Business.

8. BISHOP TYRRELL TRUST ACT AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Nesbitt, “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. Nesbitt, 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 (by consent), That the Bill be now read a third time.

(2.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Nesbitt, passed.

Mr. Nesbitt then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act in certain particulars; to provide for the creation of additional trusts; and to grant certain extended powers to the Synod of the Diocese of Newcastle, and to The Trustees of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle.” Question put and passed.

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 Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act in certain particulars; to provide for the creation of additional trusts; and to grant certain extended powers to the Synod of the Diocese of Newcastle, and to The Trustees of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle,”—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 31st October, 1918.
9. ADJOURNMENT,—Mr. James moved, That this House do now adjourn.
  Debate ensued.
  Question put and passed.

  The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-one minutes after Ten o'clock, until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,  
Speaker.
New South Wales.

No. 44.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

Tuesday, 5 November, 1918.

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

Ministerial Statement:—Mr. D. R. Hall referred to the satisfactory intelligence which had been received with regard to the War since the House last met, two of the Allies' enemies, Turkey and Austria, having accepted terms which must be regarded as entirely satisfactory to the Allies. He invited Honorable Members to join in giving three cheers for the Allied cause. Honorable Members thereupon rose in their places and gave three cheers.

Mr. Dooley addressed the House, and requested the Leader of the House to consent to an adjournment. Honorable Members then rose in their places and sang the National Anthem.

2. Papers:—

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Papers in the case of Mr. E. Roberts, late of the Stamp Duties Office. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Return regarding the operations of wheat receiving agents on behalf of the Wheat Pool of this State. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. Adjournment:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-two minutes before Five o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

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

John J. Cohen,
Speaker.
1, The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL:—The following Petitions,—representing that certain residents view with anxiety the method of increasing the Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session,—were presented by Mr. Ley:—

(1.) From certain residents of Carlton.
(2.) From certain residents of Bexley.

Petitions received.

2. PAPER.—Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulation under the Public Instruction Act of 1880.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Oakes, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Thirteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

4. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, "Home Rule for Ireland; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Perry, 'That in consequence of the treachery and disloyalty exhibited by advocates of Home Rule for Ireland towards the Empire, and their preference for German rule, this House is of opinion that the question of Home Rule for Ireland be deferred until after the war against democracy and civilization has been definitely decided in favour of the Allies,'"—postponed until Tuesday, 19th November.

5. INCOME TAX MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—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 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.
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 the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on incomes; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (Amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 6th November, 1918.

6. WAYS AND MEANS:—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.
The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered, on motion of the Chairman, That the report be now received.

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The Chairman then reported the resolutions, which were read a first time, as follows:

**Stamp Duties (Amendment), 1918.**

**Duties on Instruments.**

8. Resolved,—

There shall be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the use of His Majesty, under the provisions of the Stamp Duties Act, 1898, the Companies (Death Duties) Act, 1901, the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1904, the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1914, and this Resolution, and to form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and in respect of the instruments and matters hereinafter mentioned, duties of the several amounts, and at the several rates therein specified.

(a) Bank Notes.—There shall be payable quarterly to the Commissioner of Stamp Duties by every Bank an annual composition at the rate of forty shillings for every one hundred pounds and forty shillings for any remaining fraction of one hundred pounds upon the amount of notes stated to be in circulation in the return made by such Bank pursuant to the Banks and Bank Holidays Act, 1898.

(b) Contracts of sale and conveyances on sale or exchange (sub-sales and conveyances by direction). Where property is sold, but not conveyed, to any person, and is subsequently sub-sold to another person or other persons in succession as sub-purchasers, the instrument whereby each sale or sub-sale is effected shall be liable to ad valorem stamp duty as if it were a conveyance on sale to the purchaser and each sub-purchaser from his immediate vendor, and if the said duty is not paid on any of such instruments the amount of such unpaid duty, together with any fine or penalty payable in respect thereof, shall be paid as an additional duty on the conveyance to the ultimate purchaser.

Where a vendor of any property conveys the same by direction, whether written or oral, to any person other than the original purchaser, such conveyance shall not forth the consideration for any contract whether written or oral leading thereto, and shall be liable to additional duty equal in amount to the ad valorem duty which would have been payable if each of such contracts had been an actual conveyance on sale or voluntary disposition, as the case may be. This provision shall not apply to cases where each of such contracts has been duly stamped as hereinbefore provided.

(c) Conveyance or Transfer on sale, of any property (except such stock and funds as aforesaid):—

Where the amount or value of the consideration for the sale does not exceed £50

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(d) Lease or Agreement for lease or hire of any property not being a ship or vessel:—

1. For any definite term of one year or more, but less than thirty years, or for an indefinite duration:—

In respect of such consideration—

For every sum not exceeding £50 per annum...

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And so in proportion in the case of a definite term of less than one year.

2. For any definite term exceeding thirty years, double the above rates.

3. Where the consideration or any part of the consideration moving either to the lessor or to any other person consists of any money, stock, or security:—

To respect of such consideration—

The same duty as a conveyance on sale for the same consideration.

4. Where the consideration or any part of the consideration is an indeterminable amount:—

In respect of such amount and in addition to any other duty hereinbefore provided...

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Exemption.—Where the said consideration is a fixed rent at a rate of less than £50 a year, a lease of a house used solely as a dwelling, and a lease granted under the Crown Lands Acts are exempt.

(e) Letter or Power of Attorney or other instrument in the nature of:—

For the purpose of voting by any person entitled to vote at any meeting of any body exercising a public trust, or of the shareholders, or members, or contributors to the funds of any company, society, or institution...

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(f) When on any division of profits made by any banking company the banker carries to the credit of any depositor or shareholder therein the amount payable to him on such division of profits, such transaction shall be considered a receipt liable to the duty on receipts under the Stamp Duties Acts.
Schedule Two (exemptions) of the Stamp Duties Act, 1898, shall be amended by omitting the exemption as to acknowledgments or receipts for wages and inserting the following exemption:—

Any acknowledgment or receipt given for or on account of any salary or wages at a rate of less than £4 per week.

Ad valorem duty shall be paid on the value of any property the subject of a settlement, including deed of gift, voluntary conveyance, declaration of trust, or appointment of power, operating as a voluntary disposition inter vivos, together with all other property the subject of any other such instruments made at the same time or within twelve months prior thereto by the same settlor or donor in favour of the same beneficiary.

Any conveyance operating as a voluntary disposition inter vivos shall be chargeable with stamp duty as if it were a conveyance on sale, with the substitution in each case of the value of the property conveyed for the amount or value of the consideration for the sale.

Any disposition of property for partial consideration in money or money's worth shall, for the purposes of the Stamp Duties Acts, be deemed to be a voluntary disposition to the extent by which the full value of the property exceeds the partial consideration.

Where any settlement or gift of any property is made in consideration or with the reservation of any benefit or advantage to or in favour of the settlor or donor, whether by way of any estate or interest in the same or any other property, or by way of mortgage or charge, or by way of any annuity or other payment, whether periodical or not, or by way of any contract, for the benefit of the settlor or donor, or by way of any condition or power of revocation or other disposition, or in any other manner whatsoever, whether that benefit or advantage is charged upon or otherwise affects the property comprised in the settlement or gift or not, no deduction or allowance shall be made in respect of that benefit or advantage in computing the value of the property settled or given, and such property shall be valued and duty shall be paid as if the settlement or gift had been made without any such consideration or reservation.

The exemption contained in the Second Schedule to the Stamp Duties Act, 1898, as to any instrument of appointment shall be omitted.

A share certificate shall be liable to the same duty as a scrip certificate under Schedule One to the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1911.

That a fixed duty of £1 be paid on the written consent by an executor or administrator to a transmission application by a devisee or person entitled intestate.

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6th November, 1918.

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(v) Any property comprised in any settlement or gift made by the deceased at any time, of which bona fide possession and enjoyment has not been assumed by the donee immediately upon the gift and thenceforth retained to the entire exclusion of the deceased, or of any benefit to him of whatsoever kind or in any way whatsoever.

(vi) Any property comprised in a *donatio mortis causa* made by the deceased at any time.

(vii) Any property which the deceased has at any time caused to be conveyed to or vested in himself and any other person jointly, so that the beneficial interest therein passes or accrues by survivorship to any person on the death of the deceased.

(viii) Any property as to which the deceased has, whether heretofore or hereafter, given a power of appointment, unless it is proved that—

(i) the person to whom the power has been given has received the rents, dividends, interest, or other income of such estate bona fide as his own from the date when such power was given; or

(ii) the said person has exercised such power at least three years before the death of the deceased.

(ix) Any property which the deceased has three years before his death and whether heretofore or hereafter transferred to, or vested in, or caused to be transferred to or vested in a private company or some person in trust for any such company, in consideration of any shares or other interest including any office or place of profit therein.

(x) Any money payable under a policy of assurance effected by the deceased on his life, whether heretofore or hereafter, where the policy is wholly kept up by him for the benefit of a beneficiary (whether nominee or assignee), or a part of that money in proportion to the premiums paid by him where the policy is partially kept up by him for such benefit.

(xi) Any annuity or other interest purchased or provided by the deceased, whether heretofore or hereafter, either by himself alone or in concert or by arrangement with any other person, to the extent of the beneficial interest accruing or arising by survivorship or otherwise on the death of the deceased.

(xii) Any property over or in respect of which the deceased had at the time of his death a general power of appointment.

(xiii) Any property over or in respect of which the deceased had a special power of appointment, which property passed on his death as unappointed under the power to any other person.

(xiv) Any property which on the death of the deceased passes to any other person under or by virtue of any agreement made by the deceased (whether heretofore or hereafter), to the extent by which the value of such property exceeds any consideration in money or money's worth receivable by the estate of the deceased under such agreement.

(c) In computing the final balance of the estate of a person dying hereafter, no allowance shall be made—

(i) for debts incurred by the deceased otherwise than for full consideration in money or money's worth wholly for his own use and benefit; or

(ii) for debts in respect whereof there is a right of reimbursement from any other estate or person, except to the extent to which reimbursement cannot be obtained; or

(iii) more than once for the same debt charged upon different portions of the estate; or

(iv) for contingent debts or any other debts the amount of which is in the opinion of the Commissioner incapable of estimation.

(d) The allowance so to be made for debts shall extend to all debts whether incurred or payable in New South Wales or elsewhere, save that, where there are foreign assets, such portion only of the unsecured debts shall be allowed as bears the same ratio to the total unsecured debts as the value of the dutiable estate available for the payment of such debts of the deceased bears to the value of the total assets wherever situate, so available.

(e) The estate of a person dying hereafter shall be deemed to include—

(i) every share and all stock held by such person at the time of his death in any corporation, company, or society, whether registered or incorporated within or out of New South Wales, and carrying on the business of mining for gold or other minerals as defined in the Mining Act, 1906, in New South Wales, or of pastoral or agricultural production or timber-getting in New South Wales; and

(ii) every share held by such person in any corporation, company, or society having a share-register in New South Wales for any purpose whatever.

(f) Where a member of any such company as is mentioned in section ten of the Companies (Death Duties) Act, 1901, dies hereafter, the exemption contained in paragraph (e) of the proviso to that section shall not be allowed, and that paragraph shall be omitted.
(g) Duty at one-half the prescribed rate in favour of the widow and children of a person dying hereafter shall only be allowed where the final balance of the estate of the deceased, or the value of any part of his dutiable estate separately assessed, does not exceed £5,000 instead of £10,000 as provided by section 37 of the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1914.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the resolutions were read a second time, and agreed to.

7. Stamp Duties (Amendment) Bill:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. J. C. J. Fitzpatrick, That a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 8 and 9), to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1898, the Companies (Death Duties) Act, 1901, the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1904, and the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1914; to alter and impose certain stamp, probate, and other duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

(2.) Mr. Fitzpatrick then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1898, the Companies (Death Duties) Act, 1901, the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1904, and the Stamp Duties (Amendment) Act, 1914; to alter and impose certain stamp, probate, and other duties; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ashford, "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. Ashford, 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. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again Tomorrow.

The House adjourned, at two minutes before Eleven o'clock, until Tomorrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
THURSDAY, 7 NOVEMBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS—

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper—Substituted and Amended Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1903.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford 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.

3. SYDNEY CORPORA TION (ROLLS DECLARATORY) BILL (Formal Motion)—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. D. R. Hall, moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare that certain persons shall be entitled to have their names placed on certain municipal rolls; to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

4. GOLDSMITHS BILL (Formal Motion)—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate and license the purchase and sale of gold, silver, and precious stones, and the assaying and smelting of gold and silver; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Papers:—

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper—Substituted and Amended Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1903.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford 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.

3. SYDNEY CORPORATION (ROLLS DECLARATORY) BILL (Formal Motion)—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, on behalf of Mr. D. R. Hall, moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare that certain persons shall be entitled to have their names placed on certain municipal rolls; to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

4. DISSENT FROM SPEAKER'S RULING — Mr. Robson moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House dissents from the ruling of Mr. Speaker, given on Thursday, the 31st October, when he ruled on the motion for the adjournment of the House that the Honorable Member for Ashfield was out of order in discussing the matter of the increase of railway fares, as it anticipated discussion on Notice of Motion No. 6 of General Business, on the Notice Paper of that day, standing in the name of the Honorable Member for Balmain.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said that the Speaker merely gave rulings according to precedent, and to what he conceived to be right. The question whether a Member was effectually prevented from bringing a matter forward was not taken into consideration by the Chair, the only question being whether the subject to be discussed was likely to anticipate discussion on a motion of which notice had been given. He quoted a precedent of 9th April, 1908, in which an Honorable Member, having placed a notice upon the Notice Paper referring to the dealings of Government Departments with the Sydney Ferries, Limited, sought to discuss the subject on the motion for the adjournment of the House, and, upon a Point of Order being taken, was ruled out of order.

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 12.
Mr. Ravin,
Mr. Bruntnell,
Mr. Hunt,
Mr. Lavender,
Mr. McKay,
Mr. Gregory Mitchell,
Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Colonel Oakeshaw,
Mr. Thomas,
Tellers,
Mr. Colquhoun,
Mr. Robson.

Noes, 31.
Dr. Arthur,
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Ball,
Mr. F. M. Burke,
Mr. George Cann,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. Cochran,
Mr. William Davies,
Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Doe,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Fallack,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Wearne,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Oakes,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Wright.

Tellers,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Nesbitt.

And so it passed in the negative.

5. WOOLLAHRA LOAN BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorize the Council of the Municipality of Woollahra to borrow certain moneys; for that purpose to amend the law relating to Local Government; and 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.

Government House,
Sydney, 7th November, 1918.

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

(1.) Sedition Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to impose certain disqualifications upon persons convicted of sedition or other offences; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Local Government Act, 1906, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902; and for other purposes,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber
Sydney, 7th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

SEDITION BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 7th November, 1918.

W. L. S. COOPER,
Clerk of the Parliaments.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
7th November, 1918.

3. No person shall be disqualified by reason of a conviction for any offence mentioned in the Schedule hereto unless the offence is one which involves disloyalty within the meaning of this Act, that is to say, is committed with intent to prejudice, or in disregard of the interests of the Empire, or of the Commonwealth, or of the State in relation to the war; after which "charge disloyalty within the meaning of this Act and"

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.

2. Income Tax Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed the Bill, intitled "An Act to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 7th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

7. SYDNEY CORPORATION (ROLLS DECLARATORY) BILL.—Mr. Holman, pursuant to leave granted this day, presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to declare that certain persons shall be entitled to have their names placed on certain municipal rolls; to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. SYMPATHY WITH THE MEMBER FOR TENTERFIELD, THE HONORABLE C. A. LEE.—Mr. Holman invited Honorable Members to join in an expression of sympathy with the oldest Member of the House, the Honorable C. A. Lee, Member for Tenterfield, in the loss which he had sustained by the death of his son, Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Arthur Lee, who had died since his return from active military service.

Mr. Lang addressed the House, and added his sincere sympathy on behalf of the Opposition.

9. CLOSING SETTLEMENT (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.

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

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the report was adopted.

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

10. WILLIAM KILLEN (MURRUMBIDGEE AREA) REVESTING BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for revesting certain land and transferring the same to William Wilson Killen; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto; and to amend certain Acts.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to provide for revesting certain land and transferring the same to William Wilson Killen; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto; and to amend certain Acts,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

11. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (SUPERANNUATION AMENDMENT) BILL:—
(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

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12. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Nesbitt, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Fourteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair at four minutes after Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at half-past Two o'clock.

FRIDAY, 8 NOVEMBER, 1918.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 at a later hour of the day.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair at Three o'clock, p.m., until Monday next, at half-past Two o'clock.

MONDAY, 11 NOVEMBER, 1918.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

14. COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill read, and, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, postponed until a later hour of the day.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 at a later hour of the day.

16. COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

17. POOR PERSONS LEGAL REMEDIES 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 Mr. Simon Hickey, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

18. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN ARMISTICE WITH GERMANY.—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House agrees to and adopts the following Address to His Most Gracious Majesty the King:—

To His Most Gracious Majesty George V, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, &c., &c.

May it please Your Majesty,—

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, beg to approach Your Majesty, and to express our joy at learning of the armistice which has been concluded between the Empire and her Allies with the Empire of Germany.

We desire to offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations upon the triumphant success which has attended Your Majesty's forces in all theatres of this deplorable war, and at the same time to assure you that in no part of Your Majesty's Empire is greater interest felt in the success of Your Majesty's arms.

We further desire to express our hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, there may shortly be established an enduring peace which will enable the nations of the earth, by promoting progress and civilisation, to ensure the welfare and happiness of mankind.

And the motion having been seconded by Mr. John Storey,—

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

Honorable Members then sang the National Anthem, which was followed by cheers. Honorable Members stood in silence for one minute as an expression of sympathy with the relatives of the dead.

Mr. Holman informed the House that he would take the Governor's instruction as to when it would be convenient for His Excellency to receive the House, in order that the Address might be presented to His Excellency for transmission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to His Majesty the King.

2. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Thursday next. Question put and passed.

HONORABLE MEMBERS then joined in singing "La Marseillaise", "The Star-spangled Banner", "Advance Australia Fair", and "Rule Britannia", followed in each instance by cheers, and concluded by singing the Doxology.

The House adjourned, at three minutes after Five o'clock, until Thursday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Prohibition of Use of Alcohol during Peace Celebrations:—The following Petitions,—representing that certain organisations view with anxiety the sale of alcohol for beverage purposes during peace celebrations, and praying that the House will prohibit its sale for at least one month after the receipt of news of Germany’s surrender, and further will withhold such news from publication until the prohibition order has been issued,—were presented by Mr. Hoskins:—

(1.) From certain members of the Women’s Christian Temperance Union.
(2.) From certain members of the Salvation Army.
(3.) From certain members of the Young Women’s Christian Association.

Petitions received.

2. Papers:—
Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Notification of resumption of land, under the Local Government Act, 1906, for Drainage Purposes at Canterbury. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year ended 30th June, 1918; together with Appendices and Plans. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Police reports respecting fast motoring in Macquarie-street and other parts of the City.
(2.) Information respecting the Waratah Benevolent Asylum.
(3.) Police report respecting fruit-sellers at Circular Quay and Central Railway Station. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. Urgency—Reoup of War Expenditure:—Mr. Manning moved, without Notice, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 3 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Question put and negatived.

4. Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Ashford, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Ashford then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to amend the law relating to closer settlement and to settlement purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

Question put and passed.

Ordered,
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 closer settlement and to settlement purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14th November, 1918.

6. Sydney Corporation (Rolls Declaration) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Holman moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Holman, 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. Holman, the report was adopted.

Ordered (by consent), That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

7. Printing Committee.—Mr. Bennett, as Chairman, brought up the Fifteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

8. William Killen (Murrumbidgee Area Entitling) Bill.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Ball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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 without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the report was adopted.

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

9. University Amendment (Exhibitors' Fees) Bill.—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and educational institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and educational institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. James, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. James then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and educational institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; 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.

10. Public Instruction (School Boards) Bill.—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. James, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the establishment of boards to have certain duties with respect to public schools; to dissolve the existing Public School Boards; to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide for the establishment of boards to have certain duties with respect to public schools; to dissolve the existing Public School Boards; to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. James, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. James then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for the establishment of boards to have certain duties with respect to public schools; to dissolve the existing Public School Boards; to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880; 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.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 at a later hour of the day.

12. SYDNEY CORPORATION (ROLLS DECLARATORY) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. James then moved, that the Title of the Bill be "An Act to declare that certain persons shall be entitled to have their names placed on certain municipal rolls; to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to declare that certain persons shall be entitled to have their names placed on certain municipal rolls; to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Sydney; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 14th November, 1918.

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

W. S. MOWLE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Amended Regulations under the Public Instruction Act of 1830. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1918; together with Appendices. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Holman stated that he had received the instructions of the Governor to inform the House that His Excellency would be pleased to receive the Address of congratulations to His Majesty the King upon the success of His Majesty’s arms in the War on Thursday next at 4.30 o’clock at Government House.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:—Balance-sheets, Trading Accounts, &c., of the State Industrial Undertakings for the year ended 30th June, 1918; together with the Report of the Auditor-General thereon. Ordered to lie printed.

The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

1. Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act Amendment Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Bishop Tyrrell Trust Act in certain particulars; to provide for the creation of additional trusts; and to grant certain extended powers to the Synod of the Diocese of Newcastle and to the Trustees of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle,"—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, 16th November, 1918.

2. Income Tax Management (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill intituled "An Act to amend the law with regard to the assessment and collection of a tax on income; to amend the Income Tax (Management) Act, 1912, the Income Tax Management (amendment) Act, 1914, and the Income Tax Management (Further Amendment) Act, 1914; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 16th November, 1918.
5. **HOME RULE FOR IRELAND:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Perry, "That in consequence of the treachery and disloyalty exhibited by advocates of Home Rule for Ireland towards the Empire, and their preference for German rule, this House is of opinion that the question of Home Rule for Ireland be deferred until after the war against democracy and civilisation has been definitely decided in favour of the Allies,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
Mr. Perry moved, That the Order of the Day be discharged.
Question put and passed.

6. **REFERENDUM ON ABDICATION OF OFFICE OF STATE GOVERNOR:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Estell, "That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should introduce a measure providing that a referendum be taken at the next General Election to ascertain the wishes of the people with regard to the abolition of the office of State Governor,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Mr. Lang moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. **PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY (LIMITED) AMENDMENT BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

And it being after half-past six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

8. **WILLIAM KILLEN (MURRUMBIDGEE AREA) REVISING BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide for reverting certain land and transferring the same to William Wilson Killen; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto; and to amend certain Acts."
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, intituled "An Act to provide for reverting certain land and transferring the same to William Wilson Killen; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto; and to amend certain Acts,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 19th November, 1918.

9. **COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"
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, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 19th November, 1918.

10. **POOR PERSONS LEGAL REMEDIES BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to authorize judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"
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, intituled "An Act to authorize judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 19th November, 1918.
11. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (SUPERANNUATION AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. James, passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon."

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, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th November, 1918.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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,—

WEDNESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER, 1918, A.M.

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

The House adjourned, at fifteen minutes after Twelve o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 1918.

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

PAPER.—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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.

Ref-ref by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. RE-REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN TRADE UNIONS:—Mr. Grahame, on behalf of Mr. Beasley, moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolution:—That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 6 of the Trade Unions Re-registration Act, 1913, the Trade Unions mentioned in the Schedule hereto being Trade Unions, which, prior to the passing of that Act, had been registered as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and which have lost registration thereunder, be restored to the register of Industrial Unions and to the legal status of Industrial Unions.

SCHEDULE.
Amalgamated Coachmakers' Society, New South Wales District.
The Federated Cold Storage and Meat Preserving Employees' Union of Australasia, New South Wales Branch.
The Newcastle and Northern Districts Butchers Employees' Union.

Question put and passed.

3. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAYS—MONDAY AND FRIDAY (Sessional Order):—Mr. Fuller, on behalf of Mr. Holman, 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 "4 o'clock, p.m." on Monday and Friday in each week, and Government Business shall take precedence of General Business.

Mr. Lang moved, that the Question be amended by leaving out the words "4 o'clock, p.m." with a view of inserting the words "10 o'clock, a.m." 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, 32:—
Mr. Manning,
Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Lent.-Col. Nicholson,
Col. Oakes,
Mr. Perry,
Mr. Roberts,
Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Zaffi.

Mr. Colpoun,
Mr. Craine.

Noes, 18:—
Mr. Buckler,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Bushell,
Mr. Cockram,
Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Doyle,
Mr. Gardiner,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Kearney,
Mr. Long,
Mr. Mullany,
Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. McKell,
Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Wright.

Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Loughlin.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Original Question put and passed.
4. CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL 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 provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 20th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

5. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Grahame, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Grahame, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Grahame then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; 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.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 one minute before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
New South Wales.

No. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 21 NOVEMBER, 1918.

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

CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN ARMISTICE WITH GERMANY:—The Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor their congratulatory Address to His Most Gracious Majesty the King on the conclusion of an armistice with Germany.

And being returned,—

Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had presented to the Governor their congratulatory Address to His Most Gracious Majesty the King on the conclusion of an armistice with Germany, and that his Excellency had been pleased to make thereunto the following reply:—

State Government House, Sydney.

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

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen,—

I receive with much gratification the Address you have just handed to me in which you tender your congratulations to His Majesty the King upon the triumphant success which has attended, after four and a quarter years of severe fighting, the arms of the Allies. I shall have the honor, Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen, of forthwith transmitting the Address to His Majesty.

From my own observation and from recent association with the people of this State, I can bear witness that in the Address you have read, Mr. Speaker, the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales has simply given expression to the genuine feelings which animate all classes of this community.

With you, Gentlemen, I desire to thank Almighty God for the great success achieved. New South Wales may always remember with feelings of admiration and pride the heroic valor, the dauntless courage and endurance of those gallant men from this Mother State who responded so nobly to the call of duty. We owe to them, Gentlemen, our profound and grateful thanks for their great efforts and patriotic sacrifices in re-establishing the cause of freedom and justice.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

21st November, 1918.

INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2):—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Fuller, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

A Bill, intituled "An Act to increase the amount of the income tax payable in the year 1919; and for that purpose to amend certain Acts,"—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, 21st November, 1918.
3. **PAPER**—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 at a later hour of the day.

5. **GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (SUPERANNUATION AMENDMENT) 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 certain superannuation rights, to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.
   Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 21st November, 1918.
   FRED. FLOWERS, President.

6. **PRINTING COMMITTEE**—Mr. Kearsley, on behalf of Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Sixteenth Report from the Printing Committee.
   Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at two minutes after Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow, at half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
   FRIDAY, 22 NOVEMBER, 1918.

7. **PAPERS**—Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:
   (1.) Additional Rule of the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
   (2.) Additional Rule for admission of Barristers of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 on Monday next.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—Mr. Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn, and made a Statement in regard to the threatened epidemic of influenza, and the means which the Government proposed to take to combat it. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.
   The House adjourned accordingly, at one minute after Five o'clock, until Monday next, at Four o'clock.

W. S. MOWIE, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.  
JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

**CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN ARMISTICE WITH GERMANY:** Mr. Speaker reported that he had received the following communication from His Excellency the Governor:

State Government House, Sydney, 23rd November, 1918.

With reference to the Address of loyalty and congratulation adopted by the Legislative Assembly and presented to His Majesty on the 21st instant, I have the honor to state that I have received a telegraphic despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies intimating that His Majesty has commanded me to convey to the Legislative Assembly his appreciation of their message of loyalty and congratulation upon the victorious cessation of hostilities. His Majesty joins in the hope that an enduring peace may be established, which will ensure the welfare and happiness of mankind.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient servant,

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Governor.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report by the Secretary to the Chief Railway Commissioner, respecting increase in fares and freights on the Railways. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Amended Regulations under the Noxious Trades Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
(2.) Correspondence regarding Workmen's Weekly Railway Tickets. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Grahame laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1918. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:** The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Rail, and read by Mr. Speaker:

1. **Maroubra Bay Tramway 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 sanction the construction of an Electric Tramway from Dudley’s Corner to Maroubra Bay; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

   State Government House, Sydney, 21st November, 1918.

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

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(2.) Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) 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 Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916.

State Government House, Sydney, 21st November, 1918.

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

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Middle Harbour, Dr. Arthur, 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 danger to the public of this State arising from the present quarantine arrangements of the Federal Government."

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

Dr. Arthur moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

5. SPECIAL DEPOSITS (INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS) AMENDMENT BILL:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916.

Question put and passed.

6. MAROUBRA BAY TRAMWAY BILL:—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to sanction the construction of an Electric Tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

7. WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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 an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

8. JUSTICES (BAIL) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:—
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper—Amended Regulations Nos. 51, 54, 150, 166, 181, 189, 193, and 196c, under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper—Sectional Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. G. Mason Allard, F.C.P.A.) to inquire into the Public Service of New South Wales; together with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, &c. Ordered to be printed.

2. POSTPONEMENTS:—The following Orders of the Day were postponed:—
(1.) Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Amendment Bill (Council Bill); resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, “That this Bill be now read a second time” — until Tuesday next.
(2.) Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited (Amendment) Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. Bavin.] — until Tuesday next.

3. CROWN LANDS LEASES WITHDRAWAL BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—
W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled “An Act to provide that during the present war, and for a certain period thereafter, the compensation payable for improvements on land withdrawn from leases under the Crown Lands Acts shall not exceed a certain amount; and for other 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 numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 26th November, 1918.

4. SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF LAWS PASSED BY PARLIAMENT:—Mr. Kearsley moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should at once bring in a Bill to provide that, upon demands being made by 50,000 voters under our State Constitutions, any law or resolution of general application passed by Parliament shall be submitted to the electors for acceptance or rejection.

Mr. Perry moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put.

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5. APPLICATIONS OF MR. CHARLES LANCELOT GARLAND—FOR SPECIAL GOLD LEASES—Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement by the Minister for Public Works, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, of Sydney, relating to the applications of Mr. Charles Lancelot Garland for certain special gold leases on the Macquarie River, parishes of Muckentwo and Burrandgong, county of Wellington; the subsequent agreement for reference for inquiry and report to John Christian Watson, Esquire, of Sydney, and to his report and finding thereon; and to the damage reported and found consequent thereon.

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances relating to the applications of Mr. Charles Lancelot Garland for certain special gold leases on the Macquarie River, parishes of Muckentwo and Burrandgong, county of Wellington; the subsequent agreement to him pursuant thereto, and to the various causes of delay in the issue of such leases; to the damage (if any) which Mr. Garland sustained in consequence of such delay; to the issue of certain leases to him pursuant thereto, and to the various causes of delay in the issue of such leases; to the damage (if any) which Mr. Garland sustained in consequence of such delay; and to the damage reported and found by Mr. John Christian Watson to have been suffered by Mr. Garland; and to inquire into and report what further compensation (if any) Mr. Garland is entitled to.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Pagnall, Mr. Grahame, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Doc, Mr. Lee, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Wearne, Mr. Goss, Mr. Green, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Levimer, Mr. Moore, Mr. Walker, Mr. Westmacott, Mr. Conference, Colonel Onslow, Mr. Grady, Mr. Perry, Mr. Baker, Mr. Mathieson, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas, Mr. F. W. Weaver, Mr. Zaill, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Lassardini, Mr. Long, Mr. Petroni, Mr. Looghlin, Mr. McDevitt, Mr. McGarry, Mr. Gregory McGirt, Mr. Mark F. Merton, Mr. Kenan, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Wright, Mr. Perley, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Simon Nicker, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Karsley, Mr. Johnston.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

6. PAPER.—Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Statement by the Minister for Public Health regarding the Influenza Epidemic. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7. TOTALISATOR (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. Fuller, on behalf of Mr. James, moved, pursuant to Notice, that this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Totalisator Act, 1916, and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

8. WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick read a third time, and passed. Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practice certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1901, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts." 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, intituled "An Act to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practice certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1901, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 25th November, 1918.

9. JUSTICES (BALI) AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, read a third time, and passed. Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to authorize certain persons to grant bail to persons in custody, to amend the Police Offences (Amendments) Act, 1908, and the Justices Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto." Question put and passed.

Ordered.
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 certain persons to grant bail to persons in custody, to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901, the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, and the Justice Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th November, 1918.

10. SPECIAL DEPOSITS (INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916.

On motion of Mr. Ball, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Ball then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916,"—which was read a first time.

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

11. MAROUBRA BAY TRAMWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to sanction the construction of an Electric Tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

12. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Graham 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. Graham, 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. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the report was adopted.

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

13. JURY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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. G. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

The House adjourned, at nineteen minutes before Twelve o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 54.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER, 1918.

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

PAPERS:—
Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Correspondence respecting Electoral Qualifications of naturalised Syrians in the Monaro Electorate. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1) Particulars respecting the purchase by the Government of Lawson Park Estate, Land District of Dunedoo, for Returned Soldiers’ Settlement.
(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.

2. POSTPONEMENT.—The Order of the Day, “The Ashtonfields Coal Mines Railway Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. G. R. W. McDonald];—postponed until Tuesday next.

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

(1) Industrial Arbitration (Further Amendment) Bill:—
Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled “An Act to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918; 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, 27th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 27th November, 1918.

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

4. After clause 3 insert new clauses to stand as clauses 4 and 5 as follows:—

1. (a) Section twenty-four, subsection one, paragraph (b) of the Principal Act, as amended by the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1918, is amended by omitting the word “eighteen” and inserting in lieu thereof “nineteen.”
(b) Section twenty-four, subsection one, of the Principal Act is amended by adding the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (g):—
(b) Declaring what deduction may be made from the wages of employees for board or residence or board and residence, and for any customary privileges or payments in kind conceded to such employees.
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5. Section forty-nine, subsection one, of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words "and without any deduction," and adding at the end of the subsection the words "without any deduction except such as may be authorised by any award or industrial agreement"

Page 3, clause 5 now 7, line 2. Omit "nineteen" insert "twenty-one."

Page 3, clause 5 now 7, line 13. After "considering" insert "any of the"

Page 3, clause 5 now 7, lines 14, 15, and 16. Omit "relating to the cost of living of employees engaged in rural industries, and to the living wage of such employees" insert "referred to in section seventy-nine of this Act."

Page 3, clause 5 now 7. Omit lines 21 to 26 inclusive.

Page 3, clause 5 now 7. At end of clause add—

6. The Governor may appoint any judge to act as president during the illness or absence from duty of the president. Any judge so appointed shall, during the term of his appointment, have all the powers and perform all the duties of the president.

Page 3, clause 6 now 8, line 40. Omit "nineteen" insert "twenty-one."

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.

(2.) William Killen (Murrumbidgee Area) Revesting Bill —

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for vesting certain land and transferring the same to William Wilson Killen, and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto; and to amend certain Acts,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

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. Ball,—

(1.) Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) Bill —

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Message No. 62.
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 sanction the construction of a concrete and masonry dam, and the necessary works in connection therewith, across the Avon River, downstream of its junction with Native Dog Creek, in connection with the Sydney Water Supply System, and to vest the said work in the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th November, 1918.

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

(2.) Water (Amendment) Bill —

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Message No. 63.
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 Water Act, 1912; to extinguish the cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Branxton Swamp Drainage Trust; to validate certain acts and notifications; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th November, 1918.

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

(3.) Venereal Diseases Bill —

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Message No. 64.
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 regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
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By Mr. Ashford,—

(4.) Returned Soldiers Settlement (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 make further provision with regard to the settlement of returned soldiers on Crown lands, or lands acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to waive certain payments due to the Crown; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to amend the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916, the Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1917, the Crown Lands Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 21st November, 1918.

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

5. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL :—Mr. Holman moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

6. RETURNED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL :—Mr. D. R. Hall, on behalf of Mr. Ashford, moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision with regard to the settlement of returned soldiers on Crown lands, or lands acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to waive certain payments due to the Crown; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to amend the Returned Soldiers’ Settlement Act, 1916, the Returned Soldiers’ Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1917, the Crown Lands Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

7. SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY (AVON RIVER DAM) BILL :—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to sanction the construction of a concrete and masonry dam, and the necessary works in connection therewith, across the Avon River, down-stream of its junction with Native Dog Creek, in connection with the Sydney Water Supply System, and to vest the said work in the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

8. WATER (AMENDMENT) BILL :—Mr. Ball moved, pursuant to Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Water Act, 1912; to extinguish the cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to validate certain Acts and notifications; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

9. JURY (AMENDMENT) BILL :—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to exempt certain commercial travellers and mining managers from serving upon a jury; and to amend the Jury Act, 1912."

Question put and passed.

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 exempt certain commercial travellers and mining managers from serving upon a jury; and to amend the Jury Act, 1912,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th November, 1918.

10. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL :—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intitled "An Act to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th November, 1918.

11. PRISONERS DETENTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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. Hall, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

12. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) 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, intitled "An Act to make further provision with regard to irrigation and irrigation areas; to vest certain powers, rights, and property in the Commission; to validate the constitutions of certain areas and the reduction of certain debts to the Crown; to amend the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Irrigation (Amendment) Act, 1916, the Water Act, 1912, the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902, the Real Property Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; 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, 27th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.
Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 27th November, 1918.

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

Page 18, clause 3, line 37. Omit "three" insert "six"

Page 18, clause 3. After line 41 insert "Provided that nothing in this section shall affect any " claim or title the subject of any legal proceedings begun before the commencement of this " Act or within six months thereafter."

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.

13. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Fuller, 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 the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for an alteration in the method of voting, and for postal voting; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Elections and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1915, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 21st November, 1918.

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

(2.)
(2) Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice (as amended by consent), That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

(3) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for a system of proportional representation and for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

14. Poor Persons Legal Remedies 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 judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 27th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS.
President.

15. Crimes (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.

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

On the motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

16. Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) 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. 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. Simon Hickey, 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 To-morrow.

17. Adjournment.—Mr. Ball 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 fifteen Members present, exclusive of Mr. Speaker, namely,—Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ball, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Doe, Mr. Edden, Mr. Griff, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Lang, Mr. McGarry, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Quirk, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Walker, and Mr. Weaver,—

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, at five minutes before Eleven o'clock, until To-morrow, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Case of Mr. A. L. Robertson:—Mr. Bruntnell (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Select Committee on “Case of Mr. A. L. Robertson” have leave to sit during the sittings of the House. Question put and passed.

2. Messages from the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:

(1.) Companies (Registration of Securities) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled “An Act to amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or 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, 28th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 28th November, 1918.

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

Page 12, clause 15. Omit lines 10 to 15 inclusive, insert—

Such regulations shall—

(1) be published in the Gazette;

(2) take effect from the date of publication, or from a later date to be specified in such regulations; and

(3) be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after publication, if Parliament is in Session, and, if not, then within fourteen days after the commencement of the next Session. If either House of Parliament passes a resolution of which notice has been given at any time within fifteen sitting days after such regulations have been laid before such House disallowing any regulation, such regulation shall thereupon cease to have effect.”

Examined,—

B. B. O’Cosnor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the day.
(2.) Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill;—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to confer additional powers on the Public Trustee and certain corporations; to amend the Public Trustee Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for other purposes,"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

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FRED. FLOWERS, President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a first time.

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

3. Government Railways (Superannuation Amendment) Bill:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to certain superannuation rights; to provide that certain transferred officers and employees be deemed to have been appointed, as from a certain date, permanent officers; to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912; and the Government Railways (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes incidental thereto or consequent thereon,"—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, 27th November, 1918.

4. Revocation of Dedication of State Forests:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Ashford, 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 Schedules.


Ordered to be printed, together with attached Schedules.

5. Prisoners Detention (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Prisoners Detention Act, 1908."

Question put and passed.

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 Prisoners Detention Act, 1908,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 28th November, 1918.

6. Crimes (Amendment) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to facilitate the proof of certain matters in certain cases of larceny; to amend the Crimes Act, 1900; and for matters consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

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, intituled "An Act to facilitate the proof of certain matters in certain cases of larceny; to amend the Crimes Act, 1900; and for matters 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.

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Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 28th November, 1918.

W. S. MOBLE.
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Page 2, clause 2, line 5. After “in” insert “or from”
Page 2, clause 2, line 6. After “quay” insert “or from any store or shed used in connection with”
Page 2, clause 2, line 12. After “and” insert “on any such prosecution”
Page 2, clause 2, line 13. After “landing” insert “shipping receipt, delivery order, specification, schedule, packing list”

Examined,—
DANIEL LEVY,
Chairman of Committees.

7. SPECIAL DEPOSITS (INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916.” 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, intituled “An Act to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 28th November, 1918.

8. TOTALIZATOR (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Totalizator Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Fuller then presented a Bill, intituled “A Bill to amend the Totalizator Act, 1916; 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.

9. MINING (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.

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 Mr. Osborne, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, the report was adopted.

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

10. CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker,

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled “An Act to facilitate the proof of certain matters in certain cases of larceny; to amend the Crimes Act, 1900; and for matters consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

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Sydney, 28th November, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS.
President.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, 1918, A.M.

11. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. D. R. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude a Bill, intituled “A Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practice certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Acts 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts,”—being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.
12. WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS BILL (No. 2):—

(1.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved (without Notice), That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts,—which was read a first time.

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

(3.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts."—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(4.) Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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 at a later hour of the day.

13. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Holman, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Holman then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and read a second on Monday next.

14. WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS BILL (No. 2):—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts."—which was read a first 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 that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th November, 1918, A.M.
15. PRINTING
16. POSTPONEMENTS:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ball, Mr. Speaker left the Chair,
(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the practice generally
(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Levy, Mr. Fallick,
(3.) That such Committee consist of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Levy, Mr. Fallick,
(4.) That the report of the Committee be received.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thomas, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee
had come to a resolution. The Temporary Chairman then reported the resolution, which was read a first time, as follows:
Ordered,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of a concrete and
masonry dam, and the necessary works in connection therewith, across the Avon River, down-stream of its junction with Native
Dog Creek, in connection with the Sydney Water Supply System, and to vest the said work in the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto.

17. PRACTICE OF INSURANCE COMPANIES IN REGARD TO THE LAW OF FORECLOSURE:—Mr. Dooley moved,
pursuant to Notice:
1. That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the practice generally
adopted by insurance companies in regard to the law of foreclosure, particularly that of the National
Mutual Life Association in regard to the estate of the late Montagu Levy, with a view to the
amendment of the Act if necessary.
2. That such Committee consist of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Levy, Mr. Fallick,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Briner, Mr. George Cann, and Mr. Mover.

18. IRRIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr.
Grahame, 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.

20. UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT (EXHIBITIONERS’ FEES) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—
Mr. James moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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21. **Paper:—** Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Letter to the Premier from the Public Service Board regarding the Sectional Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. G. Mason Allard, F.C.P.A.), on the Public Service, together with Appendices; and Memorandum by the Royal Commissioner in reply to the Public Service Board's Memorandum of 18th November, 1918. Ordered to be printed.

22. **Adjournment:—** Mr. Fuller moved, That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty-two minutes after Six o'clock, p.m., until Monday next, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
MONDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1918.

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

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

(1.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Lithgow Water Supply.
(2.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the Wagga Wagga to Tumberrumala Railway.
(3.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the erection of a Fire Station at Wallsend.
(4.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for a Coal Storage Depot for the Macleay River Dredge Service.
(5.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for maintaining the Traffic on existing line of Railway between Wardell-road and Glebe Island Railway by provision of Goods Siding at Leichhardt.
(6.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Goods line of Railway to Darling Island, as between the head of Roselle Bay and Pyrmont.
(7.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Narrabri and Moree, by rearrangement of Station Yard at Moree.
(8.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic from Wardell-road to Glebe Island, by provision of Coal Storage Depot at Leichhardt.
(9.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Wagga Wagga and Lismore, by provision of access to Ladysmith Station.
(10.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Sydney and Wallan-garra, by provision of overbridge at Broadmeadow.
(11.) Notification of resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Sydney and Coonabarabran, by provision of additional Station Accommodation at Craighill.
(12.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Forbes and Stockton, near Quandialla.
(13.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Tramway Traffic between Sydney and La Perouse, by provision of depot near Daceyville.
(14.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Sydenham and Bankstown, by provision of additional sidings near Marrickville.
(15.) Notification of appropriation of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Moree and Mungindi, by provision of Sand Pit near Newnham.
(16.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Sydney and Albion, by provision of drain at Morrison's Hill.
(17.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land, under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Railway Traffic between Sydney and Albion, by duplication between Harden and Murrumburrah.
(18.) Notification of Dedication of land resumed under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Bridge over Namoi River at Tarriaro and approaches.
(19.) Notification of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rejection) Act, 1917, revestment of land, Orange Grove Estate, Leichhardt.
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(20.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917,—revestment of land, Derbyshire road, Leichhardt.

(21.) Notification of rescission of resumption of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917,—revestment of land, Sydenham to Botany Railway.

(22.) Notification of rescission of taking of land, under the City and Suburban Railways (Resumption Rescission) Act, 1917,—revestment of land resumed for Sydenham to Botany Railway.

Referred by Sosdonal Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars of Western Lands Leases issued under the provisions of the Western Lands Acts from 19th October to 30th November, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MINING (AMENDMENT) 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, and, on motion of Mr. Fitzpatrick, passed.

Mr. Fitzpatrick then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes."

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, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to deal with certain mining titles; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may remove or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1918.

3. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—

on motion of Mr. Grahame, 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments. On motion of Mr. Grahame, 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, intituled "An Act to further amend the law for the regulation of the conditions of industries and industrial arbitration; to provide for the appointment of additional Commissioners to the Board of Trade to represent rural industries; to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916, and the Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1918.

4. UNIVERSITY AMENDMENT (EXHIBITIONERS' FEES) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and Educational Institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney to defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and Educational Institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1918.
### 5. Closer Settlement—Cooyal, Moorakyne, Tarabandra, Walbundrie, Yannawah, and Yarrandale:

Mr. John Storey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Question put and passed.

### 6. Forestry Act, 1916—Revocation of Dedication of State Forests:

Mr. Ashford 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 Schedules hereunder:

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(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by address to His Excellency the Governor. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. COMPANIES (REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Holman, 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 amend the law relating to companies; to provide for the registration of certain securities; to amend the Companies Act, 1899, the Bills of Sale Act of 1898 and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereeto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1918.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN,
Speaker
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL:—Mr. Osborne presented a Petition from certain residents of Paddington, directing attention to the method of increasing the Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

Petition received.

2. PRACTICE OF INSURANCE COMPANIES IN REGARD TO THE LAW OF FORECLOSURE:—Mr. Robson presented a Petition from the National Mutual Life Association of Australasia, Limited, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into and report upon the practice generally adopted by insurance companies in regard to the law of foreclosure, particularly that of the National Mutual Life Association in regard to the estate of the late Montagu Levy, with a view to the amendment of the Act, if necessary; and praying for permission to appear by its Manager, General Manager, Solicitor or Counsel before such Committee, with a right to adduce evidence, and power to examine and cross-examine witnesses.

Petition received.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Papers:

(1) Regulations under Pure Food Act, 1908.
(2) Statement of Bank Liabilities and Assets for quarter ended 30th September, 1918.
(3) Statement of Liabilities and Assets of Public Companies for quarter ended 30th September, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick 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, 1918; together with Balance-sheets, Appendices, &c.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Fuller, pursuant to leave granted on 27th November, 1918, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the law relating to Parliamentary elections; to provide for a system of proportional representation, and for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

5. ANTICIPATORY MOTIONS:—Mr. Speaker said: On 31st October last the Honorable Member for Ashfield, Mr. Robson, moved a motion under Standing Order No. 49, to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The further increase by the Railway Commissioners of rail and tram fares and freights,"—and upon a Point of Order being taken that the subject of the motion was covered by a Notice of Motion standing upon the Business Paper, namely, "Mr. John Storey to move, That in view of the fact that, despite increased rates, the financial operations of the Railways
Railways and Tramways have resulted in a substantial deficit during the past three years, and
that it is now proposed to further increase the burden of the people by imposing additional
railway and tramway fares, and the further fact that wholesale discontent prevails among the
employees as exhibited by the unprecedented number of resignations, this House is of the opinion
that a Royal Commission should be immediately appointed to inquire into the administration
of the Railway and Tramway Departments,"—he ruled the motion out of order, and in so doing
he merely followed the practice of this House as laid down by preceding Speakers.

He also ruled that the discussion of the subject upon the motion to terminate the sitting
was equally out of order.

The Honorable Member for Ashfield moved dissent from his ruling, but the House upheld the
decision. After the division he said that he would be very glad if the Government would take
some action to appoint a Committee with regard to anticipatory motions.

According to the practice which had prevailed in this House a motion was out of order which
would anticipate debate upon a matter notice of which had been given for a future day, or the
subject-matter of which might be discussed in Committee of Supply after the Estimates of
Expenditure had been laid upon the Table of the House.

He had recently had under consideration the report of a Select Committee of the House of
Commons on Procedure, upon which occasion Sir Courtenay Ilbert, Clerk of the House of Commons,
contributed a lengthy paper, and also gave evidence. (See Reports of Committees, Vol. 7, 1907.)

The Committee found that the rule against anticipation was of comparatively recent origin,
and rested for its authority "not upon any Standing Order, but upon usage and a body of decisions
given from the Chair."

A perusal of the decisions given from the Chair in this House would show that precisely the
same position had been established here.

In order to show that the difficulty had been appreciated by at least one of his predecessors,
he quoted from a decision by the late Mr. Speaker McCourt, on 11th October, 1904. "In ruling out
of order a motion to deal with the action of the Trustees of the Publicoters' Bay Park, in excluding
persons from portions of the Park except upon the payment of a fee, he said:—"The practice for
the past ten years has been not to allow motions such as these to be moved; he did not intend to
reverse that practice—though under it hardships occasionally occurred, and as this was
unsatisfactory, he would, at an early date, give the matter very great consideration to see if
in the future, some decision could be arrived at to overcome the present state of affairs and enable
the adjournment to be moved under similar circumstances to draw attention to matters of very
urgent importance. In this case, however, there is an item on the Estimates for Parks generally,
under which this subject could be fully discussed; he must, therefore, adhere to the practice of
the House, and rule the motion out of order."

Nothing, however, had apparently been done.

As a means to get over the difficulty, the Committee of the House of Commons recommended
a new Standing Order, which would be found in the House of Commons' code following Standing
Order No. 10, which corresponded to the Legislative Assembly Standing Order No. 49:

"10A. In determining whether a discussion is out of order on the ground of anticipation,
regard shall be had by Mr. Speaker to the probability of the matter anticipated being
brought before the House within a reasonable time."

This Standing Order he commended to Honorable Members; it could have no effect here
until adopted by the House.

6. William Killen (Murrumbidgee Area) Revesting Bill.—The following Message from His
Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for revesting certain land and transferring the same to
William Wilson Killen, and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto; and to amend
certain Acts,"—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, 3rd December, 1918.

7. PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY (LIMITED) AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, "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 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.
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3rd December, 1918.

8. PERMANENT TRUSTEE COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, LIMITED (AMENDMENT), BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Bavin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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 now read a third time.

(2.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Bavin, passed.

Mr. Bavin then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited; and to validate certain actions of the said company."

Question put and passed.

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 Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited, Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Permanent Trustee Company of New South Wales, Limited; and to validate certain actions of the said company,"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1918.

PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY (LIMITED) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Bavin, read a third time, and passed.*

Mr. Bavin then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited); and to validate certain actions of the said company."

Question put and passed.

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, intituled "An Act to amend the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited); and to validate certain actions of the said company,"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Assembly requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1918.

PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY (LIMITED) AMENDMENT BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 3rd December, 1918.

W. S. MOBLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Page 1, Preamble, line 8. After "seventy" insert "five."

Examined,—

DANIEL LEVY,
Chairman of Committees.

10. SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF LAWS PASSED BY PARLIAMENT:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumed of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Kearsley, "That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should at once bring in a Bill to provide that, upon demands being made by 50,000 voters under our State Constitutions, any law or resolution of general application passed by Parliament shall be submitted to the electors for acceptance or rejection."

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
And it being after half-past Six o'clock, Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on Thursday, 29th August, 1918.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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,—

WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER, 1918, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thomas, Temporary Chairman, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned, at one minute after Five o'clock, a.m., until Four o'clock, p.m., This Day.

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

JOHN J. COHEN,  
Speaker.
New South Wales.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER, 1918.

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

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF MONARO:

(1.) Issue and Return of Writ.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that upon the passing of the resolution of the 29th October, 1918, declaring the seat of Gustave Thomas Carlisle Miller, Esquire, vacant, he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve in the room of Mr. Miller, and that such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate indorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of John Bailey, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Monaro.

(2.) Member Sworn.—John Bailey, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Monaro.

2. WATER AND SEWERAGE (RATING) BILL.—Mr. Hoskins, on behalf of Mr. Thompson, presented a Petition from certain residents of Hornsby, directing attention to the method of increasing the Water and Sewerage Rates recently announced by the Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage; and praying the House to pass the Water and Sewerage (Rating) Bill during the current Session.

Petition received.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. James laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment of Mr. A. Neillat as Assistant Teacher of Chemistry, Broken Hill Technical College. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Regulations under Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Dartbrook Estate on the Main Northern Railway line. Ordered to be printed.

4. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT BILL.—Mr. D. R. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the retirement of the present members of the Public Service Board, and for the appointment of their successors; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.

5. JUDGES RETIREMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. D. R. Hall (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1908, and the Judges' Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. Question put and passed.
6. Messages from the Governor.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Justices (Bail) Amendment Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise certain persons to grant bail to persons in custody; to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901, the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, and the Justices Act, 1902; 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.

Government House, Sydney, 3rd December, 1918.

(2.) Crimes (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to facilitate the proof of certain matters in certain cases of larceny; to amend the Crimes Act, 1900; and for matters 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.

Government House, Sydney, 3rd December, 1918.

(3.) Prisoners Detention (Amendment) Bill:—

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Prisoners Detention Act, 1902,"—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, 3rd December, 1918.

(4.) Jury (Amendment) Bill.

W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to exempt certain commercial travellers and mining managers from serving upon a jury; and to amend the Jury 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, 3rd December, 1918.

VENEREAL DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Holman moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the day.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Holman (by consent) 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. 20 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Question put and passed.

DECISION BY MAJORITY VOTE AT NEXT LOCAL OPTION POLL:—Mr. Bruntnell moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House the Liquor Act should be amended to include provision for the people to decide by majority vote, at the next Local Option poll, the following issues:—

(1.) The prohibition of the manufacture, importation, and sale of alcohol, except for religious or medicinal purposes.

(2.) The question as to whether money compensation shall be paid if prohibition is carried.

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

Debate continued.
AND the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

Thursday, 5 December, 1918, A.M.

Debate continued.
Mr. John Storey moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
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.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.
Debate ensued.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

The House divided.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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.”—

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and negatived.

Question, as amended, proposed.

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

Question,—“That the Question be now put,”—put and passed.

Question, as amended,—That, in the opinion of this House, the Liquor Act should be amended to include provision for the people to decide by majority vote, at the next Local Option poll, the following issue:—The prohibition of the manufacture, importation, and sale of alcohol, except for religious or medicinal purposes,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.  
Mr. Arthur,  
Mr. Ashford,  
Mr. Bagnall,  
Mr. Ball,  
Mr. Bavin,  
Mr. Bilner,  
Mr. Buttershaw,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Mr. Colquhoun,  
Mr. Coyle,  
Mr. Dalley,  
Mr. Doane,  
Mr. Dobson,  
Mr. E. J. C. Fitzpatrick,  
Mr. Fuller,  
Mr. Graff,  
Mr. Grahame,  
Mr. Grimm,  
Mr. D. R. Hall,  
Mr. Holman,  
Mr. Hopkins,  
Mr. Hunt,  
Mr. James.

Noes, 33.  
Mr. Lane,  
Mr. Latimer,  
Mr. Ley,  
Mr. Manning,  
Mr. Miller,  
Mr. Harrold,  
Mr. Hayley,  
Mr. Mark F. Morton,  
Mr. Neatby,  
Mr. Thompson,  
Mr. Weaver,  
Mr. Bredonwell,  
Mr. Cocks.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

10. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Fuller proceeding to move, That this Bill be now read a second time,—

Mr. F. M. Burke moved, That the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, Mr. Fuller, be not further heard.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.  
Mr. Brookfield,  
Mr. Buckley,  
Mr. F. M. Burke,  
Mr. Michael Burke,  
Mr. Simonds,  
Mr. D. R. Hall,  
Mr. Doane,  
Mr. E. J. C. Fitzpatrick,  
Mr. Fuller,  
Mr. Graff,  
Mr. Grahame,  
Mr. Lang,  
Mr. Lazzarini,  
Mr. McKell.

Noes, 41.  
Mr. Keereley,  
Mr. Ashford,  
Mr. Bagnall,  
Mr. Ball,  
Mr. Bilner,  
Mr. Buttershaw,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Mr. Colquhoun,  
Mr. Coyle,  
Mr. Doane,  
Mr. E. J. C. Fitzpatrick,  
Mr. Fuller,  
Mr. Graff,  
Mr. Grahame,  
Mr. Lang,  
Mr. Lazzarini,  
Mr. McKell.

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Fuller then moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The
The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. James
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Lane
Mr. Ball, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Talbot, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald
Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Cameyen, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Cocke, Mr. Nesbitt
Mr. Colquhoun, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson
Mr. Craig, Mr. Robertson
Mr. Doh, Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thomas
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Walker
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Wearne
Mr. Gragg, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Zellie
Mr. Grunn, Tellers
Mr. D. B. Hall, Tellers
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Bruntnell
Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Ley
Mr. Hunt, Tellers

Noes, 26.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Stuart Robertson
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Wright
Mr. Butler, Tellers
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Zellie
Mr. Davidson, Tellers
Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle
Mr. Kaye, Mr. Keegan
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry
Mr. McNeil, Mr. Mutch
Mr. Mitchell, Mr. O'Brien
Mr. O'Shea, Mr. Quirk
Mr. John Storey, 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,"—

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Levy
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Levy
Mr. Ball, Mr. Manning
Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald
Mr. Cameron, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Cocke, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Kenbitt
Mr. Fallick, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thomas
Mr. Gragg, Mr. Thompson
Tellers
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Wearne
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Holmes, Tellers
Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Bruntnell
Mr. James, Mr. Dee
Mr. Lang, Tellers

Noes, 26.

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. John Storey
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Stuart Robertson
Mr. E. M. Burke, Mr. Wright
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Zellie
Mr. Crane, Tellers
Mr. Davidson, Tellers
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Bushell
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Quirk
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Kaye, Mr. Keegan
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry
Mr. Mutch, Mr. McKell
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Quirk
Mr. John Storey, Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Fuller moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill in detail.

Question put,—The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. James
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Lane
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Ball, Mr. Levy
Mr. Buttershaw, Mr. Manning
Mr. Cameron, Mr. McGarry
Mr. Cocke, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Crane, Mr. Nesbitt
Mr. Doe, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson
Tellers
Mr. Fallick, Mr. Robertson
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. Thomas
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thomas
Mr. Gragg, Mr. Thompson
Mr. Grahame, Mr. Weaver
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zellie
Mr. Holmes, Tellers
Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Bruntnell
Mr. James, Mr. Dee

Noes, 23.

Tellers,
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. John Storey
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Zellie
Mr. E. M. Burke, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Bushell, Mr. Davidson
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley
Mr. Kaye, Mr. Keegan
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. McGarry
Mr. McNeil, Mr. Mutch
Mr. Mitchell, Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Johnson, Mr. Quirk

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair accordingly.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.
11. PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY (LIMITED) AMENDMENT BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited); and to validate certain actions of the said Company."

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 4th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS, President.

12. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Holman, "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. Holman, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

And the House continuing to sit after Midday,—

THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER, 1918.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments. On motion of Mr. Holman, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

13. KNIGHTS' APPLICATIONS FOR MINERAL RIGHTS OF CERTAIN CONDITIONAL PURCHASES:—Mr. Colquhoun (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Select Committee now sitting on "Knights' Applications for Mineral Rights of Certain Conditional Purchases," have leave to sit during the sittings of the House. Question put and passed.

14. POOR PERSONS LEGAL REMEDIES BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor,

Message No. 74.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise judges to make rules regulating the practice and procedure of proceedings to which poor persons are parties, and the costs and fees payable in such proceedings; to amend certain 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.

Government House, Sydney, 5th December, 1918.

15. RE-REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN TRADE UNIONS:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolution:

That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 6 of the Trade Unions Re-registration Act, 1918, the Trade Unions mentioned in the Schedule hereeto being Trade Unions, which, prior to the passing of that Act, had been registered as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and which have lost registration thereunder, be restored to the register of Industrial Unions and to the legal status of Industrial Unions.

SCHEDULE.

Amalgamated Coachmakers' Society, New South Wales District.
The Federated Cold Storage and Meat Preserving Employees' Union of Australasia, New South Wales Branch.
Federated Moulders' (Metals) Union of Australasia, New South Wales District.
The Newcastle and Northern Districts Butchers Employees' Union.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported the resolution with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Graham, the report was adopted. Ordered, That the following Message be carried to the Legislative Council:

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having, in pursuance of the provisions of Section 6 of the Trade Unions Re-registration Act, 1918, passed a resolution restoring certain Trade Unions to the register of Industrial Unions and to the legal status of Industrial Unions, transmits the said resolution to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 9th December, 1918.
TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION ACT, 1918—RE-REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN TRADE UNIONS.

This Resolution originated in the Legislative Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 5th December, 1918.

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

That, in pursuance of the provisions of section six of the Trade Unions Re-registration Act, 1918, the Trade Unions mentioned in the Schedule hereto being Trade Unions, which, prior to the passing of that Act, had been registered as Industrial Unions under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1912, and which have lost registration thereunder, be restored to the register of Industrial Unions and to the legal status of Industrial Unions.

SCHEDULE.

Amalgamated Coachmakers' Society, New South Wales District.

Federated Moulders’ (Metals) Union of Australasia, New South Wales District.

The Newcastle and Northern Districts Butchers Employees' Union.

16. SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice (as amended by consent), That this House will, at a later hour of the day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

17. FIRST OFFENDERS (WOMEN) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. D. R. Hall moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision with regard to the hearing of certain charges against women first offenders and the publication of reports of proceedings in such cases; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Amendment) Act, 1912, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make further provision with regard to the hearing of certain charges against women first offenders and the publication of reports of proceedings in such cases; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Amendment) Act, 1912, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

18. LIQUOR (REFUND OF RENT) BILL:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, 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 make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

State Government House, Sydney, 31st August, 1918.

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

(2.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(3.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

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19. **SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved.—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intitled "A Bill to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

20. **PAPERS:** Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Papers—

(1.) Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of South Balladur Estate, on the Dubbo-Gilgandra Railway line.

(2.) Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement Purposes, of Dimmock Estate, on the Cootamundra to Temora Railway line.

Ordered to be printed.

21. **REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF STATE FORESTS:**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Ashford, 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 attached Schedule.

22. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COOYAL, MOORARKYN, TARARANDRA, WALHUDDIN, YANNAWAH, AND YARRANDALE:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Ashford, "That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing, by agreement with the owners, the private lands comprised in the estates particularised, and at the prices indicated, in the Schedule hereunder:—"

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

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

And Mr. Wright requiring that the Estates be put on a free-hold basis.

Question,—That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing, by agreement with the owners, the private lands comprised in the estates particularised, and at the prices indicated, in the Schedule hereunder, put and passed;—

(1.) Cooyal ... [Trustees of late G. Raflan] ... Near Mudgee ... 9,100 acres. £ 4 17 6

(2.) Moorarkyn ... Executors of late Major Grieve ... Near Inverell 1,750 acres. £ 6 10 0

(3.) Tararandra ... J. and E. McEvoy ... Near Gundagai 10,000 acres. £ 15 12 0

(4.) Walhuddin ... Executors of late William Kiddie ... Near Brocklesby 15,650 acres. £ 15 12 0

(5.) Yannawah ... Young and Ralli ... Near Stockinngol ... 5,876 acres. £ 5 5 0

(6.) Yarrandale ... Gillespie & Coy. ... Near Gilgandra 12,800 acres. £ 15 6 0

(7.) Cooyal ... [Trustees of late G. Raflan] ... Near Mudgee ... 9,100 acres. £ 4 17 6

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-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. Wright, Mr. Buckley, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.
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(2.) Moorakyne | Trustees of late Major Price | Near Inverell | £ 1,790 | 6 10 0

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the aye side, and stated that there were three Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:- Mr. Wright, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.

(3.) Tarrabandral | J. and E. McEvoy | Near Gundagai | £ 16,000 | 15 0 0

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were three Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:- Mr. Wright, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.

(4.) Walbundrie | Executors of late William Kiddie | Near Brocklesby | £ 15,000 | 5 12 0

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were three Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:- Mr. Wright, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.

(5.) Itannawah | Young and Balli | Near Stockinbingal | £ 5,676 | 5 5 0

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were three Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:- Mr. Wright, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.

(6.) Yarramah | Gillespie & Co. | Near Gilgandra | £ 12,800 | 4 15 0

Question put, and voices given,—Mr. Deputy-Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.

Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Deputy-Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were three Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:- Mr. Wright, Mr. P. M. McGirr, and Mr. Price.

23. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:- Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:-

(1.) Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Bill :-

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Act, 1912, and the Special Deposits (Industrial Undertakings) Amendment Act, 1916,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(2.) Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill :-

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to closer settlement and to settlement purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, monies, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation in certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to closer settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; 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, 5th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.
CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 5th December, 1918.

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

Page 13, clause 22. After line 35 add "Where any allotment or portion has been sold within a " village or town which is subsequently cancelled, such allotment or portion may be " surrendered to the Crown, at a valuation to be determined by the Local Land Board." Page 14, clause 25, line 40. After "Acts" insert "together with adjacent remnants of Crown " lands.

Page 16, clause 26, line 8. After "within" insert "adjoining or adjacent to"

Examined,—
B. B. 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 at a later hour of the day.

(3.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:

MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to make further provision with regard to boundary fences; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by pastures protection boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; 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.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 5th December, 1918.

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

Page 3, clause 2, line 35. Omit "or carried."
Page 4, clause 2, line 14. Omit "three" insert "twelve"
Page 7, clause 4. After line 32 insert—
"The following new section is inserted after section seventeen :—
"17A. A board shall, with the written consent of the Minister for Lands, have "power to appear and be represented by counsel, solicitor, or agent before a local land "board in any matter before such local land board relating to the proposed curtailment of "a travelling stock or camping reserve; or to make application to a court of session for the "conviction of any lease "of land within or partly within any such reserve."

Page 13, clause 4, line 12. After "penalty" insert "on the first conviction" Page 13, clause 4, line 13. After "pounds" add "and on any subsequent conviction not exceeding "fifty pounds."

Page 15, clause 4. After line 12 insert—
"Section one hundred and seventy-seven : At the end of the section add :—
"If either House of Parliament within fifteen sitting days after such regulations "have been laid before it passes a resolution disallowing any regulation, such regulation "shall thereupon cease to have effect."

Examined,—
B. B. 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 at a later hour of the day.

(4.) Women’s Legal Status Bill:

MR. SPEAKER,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that women shall not, by reason of sex, be deemed to be under any disqualification to hold certain positions or to practise certain professions; for that purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1902, the Acts relating to Local Government, justices, magistrates, and legal practitioners, and certain other Acts,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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(5.) Mining (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to mining; to amend the Mining Act, 1906, and the Acts relating to Crown lands; to make further provision for mining on private lands; to provide for entry into certain lands; to provide that employees may resins or sell certain buildings and improvements; to provide for the resumption of land for mining villages; and for other purposes,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(6.) University Amendment (Exhibitioners' Fees) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the Senate of the University of Sydney in defray from the statutory endowment the fees, at Universities and Educational Institutions abroad, of certain persons holding public exhibitions at the University of Sydney; for that purpose to amend the Acts relating to such University; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

24. Knights' Applications for Mineral Rights of Certain Conditional Purchases:—Mr. Colquhoun, 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 4th July, 1918, together with Appendices. Ordered to be printed.

25. Practice of Insurance Companies in Regard to the Law of Foreclosure:—Mr. George Cann (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Select Committee on "Practice of Insurance Companies in regard to the Law of Foreclosure" have leave to sit during the sittings of the House. Question put and passed.

26. Printing Committee:—Mr. Kearley, as Chairman, brought up the Eighteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

27. Local Government 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. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

Mr. Speaker (by consent) left the Chair, at sixteen minutes after Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow, at half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

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28. Practice of Insurance Companies in Regard to the Law of Foreclosure:—Mr. George Cann (by consent), presented a Petition from Eugene Aron Goldring and Maria Goldring, of Sydney, representing that a Select Committee had been appointed to inquire into and report upon the practice generally adopted by insurance companies in regard to the law of foreclosure; and praying for permission to appear in person, by Solicitor or Counsel, before such Committee, with the right to address evidence and power to examine and cross-examine witnesses.

Petition received. Ordered to be referred to the Select Committee.

29. Papers:—

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

(1.) Copy of letter from the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner for Railways, to the Under Secretary for Public Works, relative to treatment of cases of Returned Soldier Employees of the Railway Department.


Mr. Holman laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Public Service Board upon the Sectional Report of the Royal Commission (Mr. G. Mason Allard, F.C.P.A.) upon the Public Service. Ordered to be printed.

30. First Offenders (Women) Bill:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Mutch moved, That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed. Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the day.
31. **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:**—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) **Superannuation (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 and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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**Sydney, 4th December, 1918.**

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

(2.) **Judges' Retirement (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 declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1906, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

**State Government House,**  
**Sydney, 4th December, 1918.**

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

32. **LIQUOR (REFUND OF RENT) BILL:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed

Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Hall, 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. Osborne, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

(2.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Hall, passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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**Sydney, 6th December, 1918.**

33. **PAPER:**—Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Paper:—New and Amended Regulations under the Gas Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

34. **SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:**

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. D. R. Hall 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. Hall, 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. Osborne, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the report was adopted.

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

(2.) Bill read a third time, and, on motion of Mr. Hall, passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put and passed.

Ordered,
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 declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 6th December, 1918.

35. Judges Retirement (Amendment) Bill:

(1.) The Order of the Day (placed for a subsequent sitting), having been read (by consent),—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and (after Debate) agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to declare and amend the law relating to certain Judges' pensions; to amend the District Courts Act, 1912, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Judges' Pensions Amendment Act, 1906, and the Judges Retirement Act, 1918; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

36. Truck (Amendment) Bill:

(1.) Mr. Fuller moved, pursuant to Notice (as amended by consent), That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Truck Act of 1900, and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Fuller, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Truck Act of 1900, and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to amend the Truck Act of 1900 and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(3.) Mr. Fuller then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Truck Act of 1900 and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

37. Parliamentary Elections (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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the day.

38. Public Service Board Appointment Bill:

—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. D. R. Hall, 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 provide for the retirement of the present members of the Public Service Board, and for the appointment of their successors; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

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Ordered to be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill.
39. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of Mr. Holman, read a third time, and passed.
Mr. Holman then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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40. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (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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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

Mr. Fuller moved, That the report be now adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bailey
Mr. Ball, Mr. Brookfield
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Buckley
Mr. Brunstelli, Mr. C. K. W. McDonald
Mr. Buttsenab, Mr. M. Millard
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Doe, Mr. Nethers
Mr. Falleck, Colonel O'Mahony
Mr. J. O. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey
Mr. Felker, Mr. Thompson
Mr. Goff, Mr. Walker
Mr. Graham, Mr. Weaver
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zuil
Mr. Holman, Tellers
Mr. Hoskins, Tellers
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Baguidi
Mr. James, Mr. Cameron
Mr. Lee, Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Fuller moved, That the third reading of the Bill stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Ball, Mr. Levy
Mr. Bennett, Mr. Ley
Mr. Brunstelli, Mr. C. K. W. McDonald
Mr. Buttsenab, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Colquhoun, Tellers
Mr. Doe, Tellers
Mr. Falleck, Mr. David Storey
Mr. J. O. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thompson
Mr. Fuller, Tellers
Mr. Graham, Mr. Weaver
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zuil
Mr. Holman, Tellers
Mr. Hoskins, Tellers
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Graff
Mr. James, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Lee, Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

41. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT BILL:—Mr. Levy (by consent) presented a Petition from W. J. Hanna, E. H. Wilshire, and J. M. Taylor, members of the Public Service Board, representing that they were appointed under the Public Seal of the State, by three several Commissions, to hold office for a period of seven years, under the Public Service Act, 1902; that the Public Service Board Appointment Bill at present before Parliament proposed to terminate their period of appointment forthwith; and praying for leave to appear by Counsel at the Bar of the House.

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

(1.) Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend and declare the law with respect to certain superannuation allowances; to amend the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain Acts relating to the Public Service; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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President.

(2.) Liquor (Refund of Rent) Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision for certain refunds being made in the rents of licensed premises; to amend the Liquor Act, 1912, and the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1916; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

(3.) Re-registration of certain Trade Unions:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has agreed to the resolution, returned herewith, in reference to the restoration of certain Trade Unions to the register of Industrial Unions and to the legal status of Industrial Unions, in pursuance of the provisions of section 6 of the Trade Unions Re-registration Act, 1918,—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly:

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

TRADE UNIONS RE-REGISTRATION ACT, 1918—RE-REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN TRADE UNIONS.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 6th December, 1918.

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

Schedule, line 1. Omit "Amalgamated Coachmakers Society, New South Wales District."

Examine,—
B. B. O'Connor,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Schedule be taken into consideration at a later hour of the day.

(4.) Venereal Diseases Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—
The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; 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, 6th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 6th December, 1918.

W. L. S. Cooper,
Clerk of the Parliaments.
Omit subclause (2) insert new subclause as follows:—

“(4) Any person who knowingly employs or continues to employ any person suffering from a venereal disease in an infectious stage at any work or in any capacity requiring him to handle food intended for human consumption shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty pounds and not exceeding one hundred pounds.”

Page 12, clause 28, line 6. After “resolution” insert “of which notice has been given.”

Examined,—

B. B. O’Conor, 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.

(6.) Conveyancing Bill:—

Mr. Speaker,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to amend and consolidate the law of property and to simplify and improve the practice of conveyancing; and for such purposes to amend certain Acts relating thereto”—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6th December, 1918

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Bill, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, read a first time.

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

43. TRUCK (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Fuller 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. Fuller, 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 now read a third time.

Mr. Fuller then moved, That the Title of the Bill be “An Act to amend the Truck Act of 1900, and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901.”

Question put and passed.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled “An Act to regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th December, 1918.

44. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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.

Mr. Fuller moved, “That” the report be now adopted.

Mr. Neblett 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 16, 17, 19, 25, 28, 30, 36, 39, 131, 155, 162, 254, 269, 293, 323, 431, 451, 570, 581, 604, and 606,” instead thereof.

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out shall 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 clauses 16, 17, 19, 25, 28, 30, 36, 39, 131, 155, 162, 254, 269, 293, 323, 431, 451, 570, 581, 604, and 606,—put and passed.

On motion of Mr. James, 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 the Bill 2° with further amendments.

On motion of Mr. James, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.

45. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Holman, 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ashley, 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 regulate the treatment of venereal diseases; to prevent the spread of such diseases; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th December 1918, a.m.
45. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, 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 Mr. Colquhoun, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, 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 the law relating to closer settlement and to settlement purchases; to provide for the transfer of certain securities, moneys, powers, rights, and claims from the Government Savings Bank to the Minister for Lands; to provide a basis of valuation to certain cases of resumption of land; to repeal the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910; to amend the Acts relating to Closer Settlement, the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, the Constitution Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereto or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th December, 1918, A.M.

47. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. Ashford, 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 Mr. C. R. W. McDonald, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ashford, the report was adopted.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision for the protection of pastures; to provide for the control of certain travelling stock and camping reserves; to provide for the general planning and maintenance of reserves; to provide for the imposition and collection of a rate on travelling stock; to establish a reserves improvement fund; to validate certain payments made by Pastures Protection Boards; to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1912, the Crown Lands Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent theren or incidental thereto."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th December, 1918, A.M.

48. PRACTICE OF INSURANCE COMPANIES IN REGARD TO THE LAW OF FORECLOSURE:—Mr. Dooley (by consent) moved, without Notice, That the Select Committee now sitting on the "Practice of Insurance Companies in regard to the law of Foreclosure," have leave to sit during any adjournment of the House.

Question put and passed.

49. FORESTRY ACT, 1916—REVOCATION OF DEDICATION OF STATE FORESTS:—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice (given by consent for a later hour of the day),—

(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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<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>State Forest No.</th>
<th>County</th>
<th>Parish</th>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Particulars</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>266</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>Mollerai, Cook, Coghill</td>
<td>26,749</td>
<td>Part.</td>
</tr>
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<td>2</td>
<td>317</td>
<td>Burnett</td>
<td>Nunga Nunga</td>
<td>3,800</td>
<td>Whole.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>648</td>
<td>Burnett</td>
<td>Oregon and Bledger...</td>
<td>4,900</td>
<td>Whole.</td>
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(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by address to His Excellency the Governor.

Question put and passed.

50. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—FORDWICH:—Mr. Ashford moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing, by agreement with the owner, the private lands comprised in the estate particularised, and at the price indicated, in the Schedule hereunder:

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<tr>
<th>Estate.</th>
<th>Owner.</th>
<th>Situation.</th>
<th>Area (more or less)</th>
<th>Price per acre on a free-held basis</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fordwich</td>
<td>T. D. Rogers</td>
<td>Near Singleton</td>
<td>4,080</td>
<td>£ 7 8 6</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Debate ensued.

Question put.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
4th December, 1918.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.
Mr. Ashford,
Mr. Ruggell,
Mr. Hall,
Mr. Butterenaw,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. Colpochum,
Mr. Dox,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick,
Mr. Fuller,
Mr. Graff,
Mr. Graham,
Colonel Onslow,
Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Buckley,
Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Keansby.

Noes 7.
Mr. Halnan,
Mr. Heddinn,
Mr. Hants,
Mr. Lane,
Mr. Lang,
Mr. Latimer,
Mr. Loughlin,
Tellers,
Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. Wright.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

51. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—DARTBROOK, DIRNASEER, SOUTH BALLADORAN:—Mr. Ashford (by consent) moved, pursuant to Notice (place? for a subsequent sitting), That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing, by agreement with the owners, the private lands comprised in the estates particularised, and at the prices indicated, in the Schedule hereunder:

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<th>Estate</th>
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<th>Situation</th>
<th>Area (more or less)</th>
<th>Price per acre on a freehold basis</th>
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<tr>
<td>Dartbrook</td>
<td>Sarah Hall, Matilda Hall, and Leslie H. Ross.</td>
<td>Near Aberdeen ...</td>
<td>4,230 acres</td>
<td>£ 8 19 0</td>
</tr>
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<td>Dirnaseer</td>
<td>Scott Brothers ... ...</td>
<td>Near Junee</td>
<td>18,200 acres</td>
<td>£ 4 13 3</td>
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<tr>
<td>South Balladoran</td>
<td>W. G. Stocking (Administrator of the late W. Stocking).</td>
<td>Near Balladoran...</td>
<td>2,527 acres</td>
<td>£ 4 0 0</td>
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Debate ensued.

And Mr. Wright requiring that the estates be put seriatim,—

Question,—That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing, by agreement with the owners, the private lands comprised in the estates particularised, and at the prices indicated, in the Schedule hereunder,—put and passed.

(I.) Dartbrook ... severally put and passed.

(2.) South Balladoran of late W. Stocking).

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 two Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.

The following are the Members in the minority, viz. :—Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Wright.

52. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT BILL:—Mr. Levy (by consent) moved, without Notice, That so much of the prayer of the Petition presented this day from the Public Service Board, praying to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House in reference to the Public Service Board Appointment Bill, be granted.

Question put and passed.

53. RE-REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN TRADE UNIONS:—The Order of the Day having been read,— on motion of Mr. Ashford, 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 Schedule. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

54. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Fuller (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past Two o'clock.

Question put and passed.

55. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Fuller 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, 32.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Levy
Mr. Bell, Mr. L. W. McDonald
Mr. Brunnell, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Butterncaw, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Nesbitt
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Weamer
Mr. Doe, Mr. Storey
Mr. Fallon, Mr. Thompson
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Weamer
Mr. Graham, Mr. Weaver
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zull
Mr. Hoskins, Tellers
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Latimer
Mr. James, Mr. Graff
Mr. Lune, Mr. O'Brien

Noes, 33.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Osborne
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Cairrk
Mr. Buckley, Mr. John Storey
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Wright
Mr. Bushell, Teller
Mr. Dooley, Mr. George Cass
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Keersley
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Longhion, Mr. McGarry
Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell
Mr. Mitch, Mr. Mutch
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."—

Question put,—That this House do now adjourn.

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 third time.

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 be now adjourned.

And so it passed in the negative.

56. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. Fuller 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, 31.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald
Mr. Bell, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Brunnell, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Butterncaw, Mr. Nesbitt
Mr. Cameron, Colonel Osmorow
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. David Storey
Mr. Fallon, Mr. Thompson
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Weamer
Mr. Graff, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Graham, Mr. Zull
Mr. D. R. Hall, Teller
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Doe
Mr. James, Mr. Ley
Mr. Lune, Teller

Noes, 46.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Ashford
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Bagnall
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Cameron
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Colquhoun
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Colquhoun
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Colquhoun
Mr. Graff, Teller
Mr. Weamer, Mr. Graff
Mr. Wright, Mr. Graff

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 third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Ashford, Mr. Latimer
Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Levy
Mr. Bell, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald
Mr. Brunnell, Mr. W. Millard
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Harry Morton
Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Nesbitt
Mr. Do, Mr. Osmorow
Mr. Fallon, Mr. Thompson
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Walker
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Weamer
Mr. Graff, Mr. Weaver
Mr. Graham, Mr. Zull
Mr. D. R. Hall, Teller
Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Doe
Mr. James, Mr. Ley
Mr. Lune, Teller

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. John Storey
Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Stuart-Robertson
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Wright
Mr. Michael Burke, Teller
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Johnston
Mr. Long, Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Langhion, Mr. McGarry
Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. McKell
Mr. Mitch, Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Quirk, Mr. Quirk

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Fuller moved, That the Bill do now pass.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Fuller, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Bailey, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Levy, Mr. Beckley, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Bagshaw, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Mitchell Burke,
Mr. Ball, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Bell, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Doyle, Tellers,
Mr. Brunten, Mr. Neubert, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Levy, Mr. Lang, Mr. Bushell,
Mr. Doa, Mr. Neubert, Mr. Keeney, Mr. Lazzarin,
Mr. Felich, Colonel O'Kane, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Long,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. David Storey, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thompson, Mr. McCarty, Tellers,
Mr. Graffe, Mr. Weaver, Mr. R. M. McGirr,
Mr. Graff, Mr. Weaver, Mr. McCall,
Mr. B. R. Hall, Mr. Smith, Mr. Mutch,
Mr. Hoskison, Tellers, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Haley, Mr. Quick,
Mr. James, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Leon,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Walker, Mr. Lang,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Fuller then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to amend the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for a system of proportional representation, and for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Fuller, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Quick,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Levy, Mr. Beckley, Tellers,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Mitchell Burke,
Mr. Bagshaw, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Cameron, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Doyle, Tellers,
Mr. Doa, Mr. Neubert, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Felich, Mr. Levy, Mr. Lang, Mr. Bushell,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Colonel O'Kane, Mr. Lazzarin,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Keeney, Mr. Loughlin,
Mr. Graffe, Mr. Weaver, Mr. McCarty, Tellers,
Mr. Graff, Mr. Weaver, Mr. R. M. McGirr,
Mr. B. R. Hall, Mr. Smith, Mr. Mutch,
Mr. Hoskison, Tellers, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Haley, Mr. Quick,
Mr. James, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Leon,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Walker, Mr. Lang,

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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 Parliamentary Elections; to provide for a system of proportional representation, and for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th December, 1918, A.M.

The House adjourned, at nineteen minutes after Eight o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next, at half-past Two o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
1. The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

PAPERS:

Mr. Ball laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1918.

Ordered to be printed.

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


2. Report of Royal Commission (Mr. H. F. W. Fletcher), appointed to inquire into the administration of the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901, and the Stock Diseases (Tick) Amendment Act, 1915.


Ordered to be printed.

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

1. Report of the Western Land Board for year ended 30th June, 1918.

2. Return under the Closer Settlement Promotion Act, 1910, showing the surrender and allotment of Lands from 27th June, 1917, to 30th June, 1918.


4. 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.

Mr. D. R. Hall laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

1. Second Sectional Report of the Royal Commissioner (Mr. G. Mason Allard, F.C.P.A.), respecting the administration of the Lands Department.


Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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


3. Report of the State Children Relief Board for the year ended 5th April, 1918.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Fuller laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Director-General of Public Health for 1917.

Ordered to be printed.

2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—Mr. Mark F. Morton, as Chairman, brought up the Second Report during the currency of the Twenty-Fourth Parliament, from the Public Accounts Committee; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to be printed.

3. LIBRARY COMMITTEE:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That leave be given to the Library Committee to sit during the sittings of the House.

Question put and passed.
4. **Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Amendment Bill**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Holman, and read by Mr. Speaker:

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited) Act, and to confer additional powers upon the Perpetual Trustee Company (Limited), and to validate certain actions of the said Company," as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of 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, 10th December, 1918.

5. **Forestry Act, 1916—Revocation of Dedication of State Forests**—Mr. Speaker reported the following communication from His Excellency the Governor:

State Government House,
Sydney, 9th December, 1918.

Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Address from the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, communicating to me a resolution in regard to the revocation of the dedication of certain State Forests, and to inform you that I have referred the matter for the attention of my responsible Advisers.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

The Honorable the Speaker,
Governor.

6. **Adjournment**—

(1) Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Waverley, Mr. Oakes, 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 urgent necessity for Government action in regard to the formation of certain roads in close proximity to the Centennial Park, and in the Waverley Electorate."

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

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

Point of Order:—Mr. Osborne submitted that the matter was not one which had arisen within the last day or two, and was moreover capable of discussion on the Local Government Bill, which was still engaging attention.

Further Point of Order:—Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick pointed out that the subject could be discussed on Order of the Day No. 27 for the introduction of the Fish Markets Site Vesting Bill.

Further Point of Order:—Mr. John Storey submitted that the mere fact of five Members rising in their places indicated that so far as they were concerned the matter was sufficiently important to be discussed, but when a Point of Order was taken it was for the Speaker to determine whether the matter was urgent and of public importance.

Mr. Speaker said he would take the Points of Order in the order in which they were last raised. One of the late Speaker's rules according to the House of Commons practice and decided the urgency, but the House dissented from his ruling. Even since then it had been held that the five Members rising in their places decided the urgency. He could not hold that the notice infringed upon Order of the Day No. 27 for the introduction of the Fish Markets Site Vesting Bill, but the Point raised by Mr. Oakes was fatal. It had been laid down that a motion must be restricted to a single specific matter of recent occurrence. This could not be so regarded, and he must rule it out of order.

(2) Mr. Lang moved, That a second motion for the adjournment of the House be now entertained.

Question put.

The House divided.

**Ayes, 28.**

Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Budge, Mr. P. M. Burke, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Bushell, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Cochran, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Simon Hickey, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kenworthy, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazarni, Mr. Leighton, Mr. Gregory McGarr, Mr. P. M. McDermott, Mr. Mutel, Mr. O'Callaghan, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Price, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. John Storey, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Wright, Mr. Day, Mr. McKell.

**Noes, 37.**

Mr. Arthur, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Buttonshaw, Mr. Coles, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Doe, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Grimes, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hoskins, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Lane, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Ley, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald.

And so it passed in the negative.
7. Administration of the Railway and Tramway Services — Mr. Osborne, on behalf of Mr. Quirk, and with his authority, proceeding to move,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the Railway and Tramway Services, with the object of providing adequate travelling facilities for the public, as well as obtaining evidence relative to those cases of alleged victimisation of Railway and Tramway employees generally.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Graf, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. McGarry, Mr. B. O'Brien, Mr. William Davies, Mr. George Cann, Mr. McKell, and the Mover, —

Mr. Speaker stated that in accordance with the practice this motion could only be moved by the Member in whose name it stood.

8. Urgency—Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders:

(1) Mr. D. R. Hall moved (without Notice), That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz. :—That so much of the Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude Government Business only being taken at this sitting.

Question put. The House divided.

Ayes, 36

Mr. Dr. Arthur, Mr. Manning, Mr. Brookfield, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Cocks
Mr. Ashford, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Beasley, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Doe
Mr. Begalla, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. McKell, Mr. Done
Mr. Ball, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Mitch, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Mark F. Morton, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. O'Brien
Mr. B. O'Brien, Mr. Neglin, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Lazenby, Mr. George Cann, Lt.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. George Cann, Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Cock, Lt.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Cashman, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. William Davies, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. George Cann
Mr. Doe, Mr. Perry, Mr. Dooley, Mr. William Davies, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Dooley, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Mount, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Price, Mr. George Cann, Mr. R. W. Young, Mr. F. M. Burke, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Bushe
Mr. Graf, Mr. Walker, Mr. Gardner, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Cashman, Mr. George Cann, Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. George Cann, Mr. F. M. Burke
Mr. Grimm, Mr. Weare, Mr. Gardner, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann
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Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann
Mr. Hunt, Lt.-Col. Nicholson, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann
Mr. Lane, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann
Mr. Latimer, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Weare, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann, Mr. George Cann

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2) Mr. Hall moved, without Notice, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion, viz. :—That so much of the Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude Government Business only being taken at this sitting.

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, 35

Mr. Dr. Arthur, Mr. Saill, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Ashford, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley, Mr. Beckley, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Ley, Mr. Beckley, Mr. Ball, Mr. Lazenby, Mr. Beasley, Mr. B. O'Brien, Mr. Lazenby, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Do, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Do, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Hunt, Tellers, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Huffman, Tellers, Mr. Huffman, 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," —

Question put.

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10th December, 1918.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Ley,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Manning,
Mr. Biggar, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Bavin, Mr. Mark F. Morton,
Mr. Brentnell, Mr. Nesbitt,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Cock, Colonel Ounslow,
Mr. Coleboy, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Dey, Mr. Robson,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Graft, Mr. Weare,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Zeilii,
Mr. Holman, Tellers,
Mr. Hookin, Mr. Grim,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Grimm,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Weaver,
Mr. Latham.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. McGarry,
Mr. Brooksfield, Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Buckley, Mr. Mitch,
Mr. E. F. Burke, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Binshall, Mr. Price,
Mr. George CCann, Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. William Davies, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Doyle, Tellers,
Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. McKell,
Mr. Kearley, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Lang, Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Loughlin.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

9. SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER — PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS ON TUESDAYS:—Mr. D. R. Hall moved, without Notice, That so much of the Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude Government Business only being taken at this sitting.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Dr. Arthur, Mr. Weare,
Mr. Ashford, Mr. Zeilii,
Mr. Biggar, Tellers,
Mr. Ball, Mr. Colquhoun,
Mr. Bavin, Colonel Ounslow,
Mr. Brentnell, Coloncl Ounslow,
Mr. Buttenshaw, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. Cock, Mr. Grimm,
Mr. Dey, Mr. George Cann,
Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Fuller, Mr. Perry,
Mr. Graft, Mr. Robson,
Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Thomas,
Mr. Holman, Mr. Walker,
Mr. Hookin, Mr. W. Millard,
Mr. Hunt, Mr. Harry Morton,
Mr. Lane, Mr. Mark E. Morton,
Mr. Latimer, Mr. Michael Burke,
Mr. Levy, Mr. Bushell,
Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. F. M. Burke,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Granville,
Mr. Osborne, Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Loughlin, Lieut.-Col. Nicholson,
Mr. McKell, Mr. George Cann,
Mr. Mutch, Mr. John Storey,
Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Stuart-Robertson,
Mr. Price, Mr. Wright,
Mr. Price, Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Robson, Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. Thomas, Mr. McKell,
Mr. Walker, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Weare, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Watkin, Mr. Lazzarini,
Mr. Loughlin.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Bailey, Mr. Brookfield,
Mr. Buckley, Mr. E. M. Berke,
Mr. Michael Burke, Mr. Besseh,
Mr. George Cann, Mr. Churchill,
Mr. Cochran, Mr. William Davies,
Mr. Dooley, Mr. Harvey,
Mr. Doyle, Mr. Gardiner,
Mr. Johnston, Mr. Johnston,
Mr. Keegan, Mr. Keegan,
Mr. Long, Mr. Lang,
Mr. Loughlin, Mr. Gregory McGirr,
Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. P. M. McGirr,
Mr. McKell, Mr. McKell,
Mr. Match, Mr. O'Brien,
Mr. Osborne, Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Price, Mr. Tom Smith,
Mr. John Storey, Mr. Wright,
Tellers,
Mr. Simon Hickey,
Mr. Lazzarini.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

10. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read,—on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the retirement of the present members of the Public Service Board, and for the appointment of their successors; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman 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 a first time, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is expedient to bring in a Bill to provide for the retirement of the present members of the Public Service Board, and for the appointment of their successors; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hall, the resolution was read a second time, and agreed to.

(2.) Mr. Hall then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to provide for the retirement of the present members of the Public Service Board, and for the appointment of their successors; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto," and moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put.

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The House divided.

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Mr. Levy, Mr. Levy, Mr. Manning, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. N. Mitchell, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Quirk.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered to be printed, and (by consent) read a second time at a later hour of the day.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion by Mr. James, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. James then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to make better provision for the government of areas; to extend the powers and functions of local governing bodies; to make provision for insuring local governing bodies against certain risks; to establish bodies to control main roads, and to take common action on behalf of areas; to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th December, 1918.

12. TRUCK (AMENDMENT) 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 Truck Act of 1900, and the Truck Act Amendment Act of 1901,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

13. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD APPOINTMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read,—Mr. Levy (by consent) moved, without Notice, That Adrian Knox, Esquire, K.C., Counsel learned in the law, be now heard at the Bar of this House in support of the Petition presented by William John Hanna, Ernest Henry Wilshire, and John Michael Taylor, members of the Public Service Board, in reference to the Public Service Board Appointment Bill.

The learned Counsel (Adrian Knox, Esquire, K.C.) was then, by direction of Mr. Speaker, conducted by the Acting Serjeant-at-Arms to the Bar of the House, and having been informed by Mr. Speaker of the resolution of the House under which he had been admitted, and having been invited by Mr. Speaker to speak from the Table, addressed the House on the Bill under consideration, and then withdrew.

Mr. D. R. Hall moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

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

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 11 DECEMBER, 1918.

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

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr. Holman made a Statement in regard to the Public Service Board Appointment Bill now before the House and the action which the Government intended to pursue in regard to the Members of the present Public Service Board.

Mr. John Storey addressed the House.

2. CASE OF MR. A. L. ROBERTSON: Mr. Brunskill, 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 3rd October, 1918; together with Appendices.

Ordered to be printed.

3. PAPER: Mr. Ashford laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Report of the Department of Lands for the year ended 30th June, 1918; and Report of the Director of Soldiers' Settlements for the same period.

Ordered to be printed.

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE: Mr. Kelt'sky, Temporary Chairman, brought up the Nineteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

5. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honorable Member for Surry, Mr. Buckley, 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 threatened strike of Railway and Tramway employees."

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

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

Point of Order: Mr. Perry drew attention to Notice of Motion No. 14, standing in the name of Mr. John Storey, on the Notice Paper for to-day, upon which this motion would be capable of discussion.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said there was no doubt that this motion of adjournment anticipated a Notice of Motion on the Notice Paper. He quoted from a communication which he had made to the House on the 3rd December, wherein he had suggested that steps should be taken to adopt a Standing Order dealing with anticipatory motions. Following the practice of the House he must rule the motion out of order.

6. FIRST OFFENDERS (WOMEN) BILL: The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, "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. Hall, 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. Hall, the report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time at a later hour of the day.
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
11th December, 1918.

7. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) 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 the law relating to Parliamentary Elections; to provide for a system of proportional representation, and for postal voting in certain cases; to validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year 1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"—with the amendments indicated in the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,
President.

Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Bill.

Schedule of the Amendments referred to in Message of 11th December, 1918.

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

Page 11, clause 5, paragraph (b), line 17. At end of paragraph add "...and band it so folded to the
"authorised witness."

Page 14, clause 6, subclause (2). At end of subclause add "Provided that such declaration need
not be set out on any certified copy of a supplemental roll but may, in lieu thereof, be set
out in a signature book in the prescribed form"

Page 14. Before clause 7 insert short heading "Soldiers' Votes"

Page 18, clause 8, Schedule. After line 32 insert:—

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omits "forty-fifth" and insert "sixtieth," and at the
end of the section add "or on such later day
as the Governor may by proclamation in the
Gazette direct."

Page 24, clause 9, line 32. Omit all words after "by" to end of clause and insert "inserting at
the end of the proviso thereto the following words 'and only in such a case when a poll is
taken.'"

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 forthwith.

(2.) Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Fuller, 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 of Mr. Fuller, 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 the law relating to Parliamentary Elections;
to provide for a system of proportional representation, and for postal voting in certain cases; to
validate the non-preparation of certain lists and rolls, and to provide that the rolls for the year
1917 shall, until new rolls are made, remain in force; to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and
Elections Act, 1912, the Liquor Act, 1912, the Oaths Act, 1900, and certain other Acts; and for
purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto."—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1918.

8. FIRST OFFENDERS (WOMEN) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Bill, on motion of
Mr. D. R. Hall, read a third time, and passed.

Mr. Hall then moved, That the Title of the Bill be "An Act to make further provision with
regard to the hearing of certain charges against women first offenders and the publication of reports
of proceedings in such cases; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Amendment) Act,
1912, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or
incidental thereto."

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, intituled "An Act to make further
provision with regard to the hearing of certain charges against women first offenders and the
publication of reports of proceedings in such cases; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Amendment) Act, 1912, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto;"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1918.
POSTPONEMENTS:—The remaining Government Business, and Orders of the Day of General Business Nos. 1 and 2, postponed, on motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, until after Order of the Day No. 3 of General Business.

10. THE ASHTONFIELDS COAL MINES RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—Mr. G. R. W. McDonald moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Point of Order:—Mr. Osborn submitted that this Bill, particularly in regard to clause 35, was a Bill in restraint of trade, and should have been originated in Committee of the Whole House.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said he thought the Honorable Member referred to Standing Order 246. This was a Private Bill, and that Standing Order only referred to Public Bills. This Bill originated in the Legislative Council, and it must be assumed that it originated in a proper manner. The Bill came to this House as a Private Bill, and he did not see how he could rule it out of order.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

11. FIRST OFFENDERS (WOMEN) 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 make further provision with regard to the hearing of certain charges against women first offenders and the publication of reports of proceedings in such cases; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Amendment) Act, 1912, the Justices Act, 1902, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber, Sydney, 11th December, 1918.

FRED. FLOWERS,

President.

12. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Monday, 23rd December.

Question put and passed.

13. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Holman moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick moved, That the Question be now put.

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

And Mr. Holman having spoken in reply,—

Question,—"That this House do now adjourn,"—put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, until Monday, 23rd December, at Four o'clock.

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

JOHN J. COHEN, Speaker.
PROCLAMATION.

BY 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.

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 WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, the Governor aforesaid, in pursuance of the power and authority
so vested in me, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council and Assembly until Monday, the third
day of February next, and the same stand so prorogued accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this nineteenth day of December, in the year of our
Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth 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.
(PROCURED 19TH DECEMBER, 1918.)

QUESTIONS:

1. **Mr. Manning to ask the Minister for Agriculture,**—
   Of the wheat exported during the four months ending 31st October—(a) what quantity in each pool was f.a.q.; (b) what quantity was under f.a.q.; (c) what was the average price obtained for each quantity?

2. **Dr. Arthur to ask the Premier,**—
   Is it the intention of the Government, in view of the declared policy of the National Party, to proceed any further with the acquisition and working of a State coal mine?

3. **Mr. William Davies to ask the Secretary for Mines,**—
   (1) Is it a fact that the Federal Council of the Coal and Shale Employees' Federation has communicated with him in reference to his answer to Question No. 14 on the Questions and Answers paper for 3rd December, 1918?
   (2) Is it a fact that the communication referred to challenges him to make a charge outside this House against the Miners' Secretary of receiving money from a mining company for the purpose of averting industrial disputes?

4. **Mr. William Davies to ask the Minister for Labour and Industry,**—
   (1) Is it a fact that Judge Curlewis dealt with the case of the victimisation of David Duncombe at the Wollongong Court-house about twelve months ago, and that a promise was made that the report should be made known?
   (2) Will he have the papers of Judge Curlewis' report laid upon the Table of this House?

5. **Mr. Kearsley to ask the Secretary for Mines,**—
   (1) With regard to the answer given to Question 14 on Questions and Answers paper No. 36, Tuesday, 3rd December, 1918, will he say which secretary is therein referred to—(a) the General Secretary of the Coal and Shale Workers' Federation; (b) the District Secretary of the Colliery Employees' Federation (Northern District); (c) a secretary of any lodge in the Maitland or other field?
   (2) If a lodge secretary, what is the person's name, or of which lodge is he, or has been, secretary?
   (3) Which company is said to have paid the sum of money to secure immunity from strikes?

6. **Mr. George Cann to ask the Minister for Agriculture,**—
   (1) In view of his reply to the question of Mr. Honorable Member for Canterbury on 26th November, in which he stated that the casual employees at the Enfield Wheat Depot were working under an award, will he state what particular award he referred to, and when was the award made, and by whom?
   (2) In view of the casual nature of the employment at the Enfield Wheat Depot, will he consider whether it is just that these men shall be compelled to lose time without any consideration, and will he recommend the payment for time lost on the declaration of the armistice, similar to what has been paid by the Master Retailers' Association and others?

7. **Mr. Brookfield to ask the Minister of Public Instruction,**—
   (1) Is it a fact that the hearing of grievances of the officials of the Education Department before the Departmental Boards are long delayed?
   (2) What is the reason of these delays?

**Mr. Dooley to ask the Minister of Public Instruction,**—
   (1) How many teachers were advanced from 3A to 2B without examination under Regulation 143—(333—Provided also)—during (a) 1917; (b) 1918 (to October)?
   (2) Has the Chief Inspector, either by word or in writing, notified his inspectors that certain 3A teachers (young men) of more than ten years' standing in that classification, and with 45 efficiency, are not to be recommended for an advance from 45?
   (3) In complying with his nullify Regulation 142 (332—II)!
   (4) If so, will he see that these men receive the advanced mark which has been withheld from them, provided they show a good case?
9. Mr. F. M. Burke to ask The Premier,—
(1.) By whose authority were the State motor-cars mentioned in the Premier's minute to the Auditor-General, dated 6th March, 1917 (Auditor-General's Report, Page 256), taken to Tasmania, New Zealand, Queensland, and Victoria respectively?
(2.) Date of such authorisation?
(3.) For whose convenience and for what purpose were the said cars taken to Tasmania, New Zealand, Queensland, and Victoria respectively?
(4.) Dates and duration of visits to the said States?
(5.) Names of persons using said cars whilst in said States?
(6.) For what period was each car away from the State?
(7.) Did drivers accompany the cars to New Zealand and Tasmania?
(8.) Cost in each case of (a) transit of cars; (b) petrol; (c) drivers' wages; hotel expenses or living allowance whilst on tour; (d) fares; (e) other expenses in connection with the said cars?
(9.) Were the expenses mentioned in No. 8 paid by the State?
(10.) Were any other expenses incurred in connection with such trips?
(11.) If so, what are the names and description of persons receiving same, and how much did each person receive?

10. Mr. F. M. Burke to ask The Minister for Labour and Industry,—
(1.) Is it a fact that a factory inspector named Hundy and a typist named Alice Brown (employed in Labour and Industry Department), circularised 300 factory proprietors and shopkeepers for donations—be sent to the Department of Labour and Industry—for War Chest Day?
(2.) Were the circulars sent from the Department of Labour and Industry?
(3.) Is it a fact that amongst the donations was a donation of lager beer from a German brewery?
(4.) Is it a fact that before the voluntary ballot was taken, all confidential annual returns sent in to the Department of Labour and Industry by factory owners or their employees, stating their ages, wages, &c., for 1917, were indiscriminately handed over to a band of twelve or fifteen irresponsible girls (called the "Dinkum Girls"), who perused each return, making extracts therefrom, and who afterwards circulated all male employees in factories and shops, whom these girls considered should have been in the trenches, calling upon them to enlist and do their duty?
(5.) Is it a fact that this band of girls were provided with office stationery (departmental) for this purpose?
(6.) Did these girls take three weeks for this work?
(7.) On whose authority was this permission given?

11. Mr. Price to ask The Minister of Public Instruction,—
In view of the growth of the Barrington district, will he be good enough to take steps for the erection of a new school at Barrington?

12. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Lands,—
In view of the urgent demand for Crown lands in the Gloucester and Manning districts, will he be good enough to ascertain the area of State forests on which the timber has been cut out so as to make the land available for closer settlement?

13. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
What action has been taken in regard to the promise made by the ex-Minister for Public Works, namely, that a report would be made into the utilisation of the water-power on the Bulga and Comboyne for the purpose of generating electricity?

14. Mr. Price to ask The Secretary for Public Works,—
(1.) Will he be good enough to state what action has been taken to give effect to the representations of the Honorable Member for Gloucester (a) in connection with the preparation of a water supply scheme for the following places, namely, Taree, Wingham, and Gloucester; (b) that inquiry would be made into the utilisation of the water-power on the Bulga and Comboyne for the purpose of generating electricity?
(2.) Will he be good enough to expedite action in these matters?

15. Mr. Ton Smith to ask The Colonial Secretary,—
(1.) Is it a fact that Sydney Hospital suffers from financial starvation?
(2.) Are nurses who work nearly twelve hours per day quartered at Moorefield Eye Hospital (Miller's Point Branch of Sydney Hospital) and have to sleep five in a small room?
(3.) Are nurses overworked to the detriment of patients; has one nurse often to stay all night in charge of between thirty to thirty-five patients without any help?
(4.) Is the Casualty Ward antiquated, small, and is it kept short of surgical dressings, chemicals, instruments, &c.; in the event of a serious city accident where, say, a dozen or so people were injured, could this Casualty Ward accommodate them?
(5.) Are wards overcrowded generally?
(6.) Is there a shortage of chemicals, cotton wool, safety-pins, &c., and are twelve safety-pins per month allowed each ward?
(7.) Is the manner in which out-patients have to wait about together dangerous in view of a possible influenza epidemic?
(8.) If the facts are as stated, will he give immediate attention to this matter?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS--NOTICES OF MOTION:
1. Mr. Holman to move, That this House now agrees to and adopts the new and amended Standing Orders, and agrees to the rescission of certain other Standing Orders, as recommended by the Standing Orders Committee in its report brought up and ordered to be printed on the 11th September, 1918, and authorises Mr. Speaker to present such new and amended Standing Orders, and the rescission of Standing Orders Nos. 130, 131, 134, 140, 147, 152, 153, and 351, to His Excellency the Governor for approval.
2. Mr. Ashford to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill 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.

3. Mr. Ashford to move, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to validate a certain additional conditional purchase made by John Kane.

4. Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to move, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to abolish the exemption of goods of His Majesty from certain wharfage and harbour rates; for that purpose to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1906, the Sydney Harbour Rates Act, 1904, and the Sydney Harbour Trust (Wharfage and Harbour Rates) Act, 1914.

5. Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick to move, That the Mosman Municipality (Housing Board) 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.

6. Mr. Benney to move, That this House will, on its next sitting day, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a Bill to further amend the law relating to trade unions; to amend the Trade Union Act, 1881; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. Sedition Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's amendments. [Mr. Holman.]

2. Re-registration of certain Trade Unions resolution; further consideration in Committee of the Whole of the Legislative Council's amendment. [Mr. Grahame.]

3. Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. Holman.]

4. Totalizator (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Mr. Fuller.]

5. Ambulance Transport Service Bill; second reading. [Mr. Fuller.]

6. Public Service Board Appointment Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. D. R. Hall, “That this Bill be now read a second time.”

7. Judges Retirement (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

8. Conveyancing Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

9. Statute of Limitations Bill (Council Bill); to be further considered in Committee. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

10. Execution of Instruments (War Facilities) (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

11. Bills of Sale (Amendment) Bill (Council Bill); second reading. [Mr. D. R. Hall.]

12. Land Surveyors Bill; second reading. [Mr. Ashford.]

13. Sydney Water Supply (Avon River Dam) Bill; second reading. [Mr. Ball.]

14. Stamp Duties (Amendment) Bill; second reading. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

15. Early Closing Bill; second reading. [Mr. Beeby.]

16. Public Instruction (School Boards) Bill; second reading. [Mr. James.]

17. Veterinary Surgeons Bill; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. James, “That this Bill be now read a second time.”

18. Supply; resumption of the Committee. [Mr. Holman.]

19. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee. [Mr. Holman.]

20. Pure Food (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Pure Food Act, 1908; to regulate the publication of statements relating to certain food, drugs, and appliances; to provide for registration in respect of certain businesses dealing with food and drugs; to provide that the business of hairdressers be carried on in a sanitary manner, and to amend the Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1915; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Fuller.]

21. Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Medical Practitioners Act, 1912, and the Medical Practitioners (Amendment) Act, 1915; and for other purposes. [Mr. Fuller.]

22. Pure Food (Amendment) Bill (No. 2); consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Pure Food Act, 1908; to regulate the publication of statements relating to certain food, drugs, and appliances; to provide for registration in respect of certain businesses dealing with food and drugs; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Fuller.]

23. Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to make further provision with regard to the settlement of returned soldiers on Crown lands, or lands acquired under the Closer Settlement Acts; to waive certain payments due to the Crown; to dispense with the payment of certain fees; to amend the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916, the Returned Soldiers Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1917, the Crown Lands Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequential thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ashford.]
21. Western Lands (Commission, Reconstitution) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to abolish the Western Land Board of New South Wales and to substitute a single Commissioner in lieu of such Board; to fix the salary and term of office of such Commissioner; to confer certain powers and impose certain duties on such Commissioner; to amend the Western Lands Act of 1913, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ashford.]

22. Fish Markets Site Vesting Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to vest certain lands in the Municipal Council of Sydney; to provide that certain roads be constructed, controlled, and maintained by the said Council in consideration of such vesting; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ashford.]

23. Water (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Water Act, 1912; to extinguish the cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to extend the period for repayment of cost of works of certain Drainage Trusts; to increase the maximum rate which may be imposed by the Brundee Swamp Drainage Trust; to validate certain Acts and notifications; to annul the dissolution of the James Creek Drainage Trust; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ball.]

24. Western Lands (Commission, Reconstitution) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, and certain other Acts; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ball.]

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26. Maroubra Bay Tramway Bill; further consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to sanction the construction of an Electric Tramway from Dudley's Corner to Maroubra Bay; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912; and for purposes consequent thereon and incidental thereto. [Mr. Ball.]

27. Gold Buyers Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate and license the purchase and sale of gold, silver, and precious stones, and the assaying and smelting of gold and silver; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

28. Housing (Amendment) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Acts relating to Local Government; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

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30. The Sydney Port (Goods Delivery) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate the unshipping, delivery, receipt, storing, and disposal of goods in the port of Sydney; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

31. Seacarriage of Goods Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill concerning bills of lading and other documents relating to the seacarriage of goods from any place in the State of New South Wales to any other place in the said State. [Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick.]

32. Coal Mines Regulation (Amending) Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to regulate the unshipping, delivery, receipt, storing, and disposal of goods in the port of Sydney; to amend the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. Ball.]

33. Architects Bill; consideration in Committee of the Whole of the expediency of bringing in a Bill to provide for the registration and to regulate the practice of architects; to amend certain Acts in so far as they relate to buildings; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto. [Mr. James.]

GENERAL BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:

1. The Ashtonfields Coal Mines Railway Bill (Council Bill); resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, "That this Bill be now read a second time."

2. Submission to the Electors of Laws passed by Parliament; resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Kearsley, "That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should at once bring in a Bill to provide that, upon demands being made by 50,000 voters under our State Constitutions, any law or resolution of general application passed by Parliament shall be submitted to the electors for acceptance or rejection.

3. Applications of Mr. Charles Lancelot Garland for Special Gold Leases; resumption of the Debate, on the motion of Mr. Colquhoun,

"(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances relating to the applications of Mr. Charles Lancelot Garland for certain special gold leases on the Macquarie River, parishes of Muckerawa and Burrandgong, county of Wellington; the subsequent issue of certain leases to him pursuant thereto, and to the various causes of delay in the issue of such leases; to the damage (if any) which Mr. Garland sustained in consequence of such delay; and to the subsequent agreement for reference for inquiry and report to John Christian Watson, Esquire, of Sydney, and to his report and finding thereon; and to the damage reported and found by the said John Christian Watson to have been suffered by Mr. Garland; and to inquire into and report what further compensation (if any) Mr. Garland is entitled to.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Bagnall, Mr. Briner, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. George Cann, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Quirk and the Mover.

(3.) That the Progress Report from, Minutes of Proceedings of, and Evidence, taken before, the Select Committee of Session 1912, be referred to such Committee.

(4.) That the Committee have leave to sit during any adjournment of the House."
4. Referendum on Abolition of Office of State Governor, on the motion of Mr. Estell, "That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should introduce a measure providing that a referendum be taken at the next General Election to ascertain the wishes of the people with regard to the abolition of the office of State Governor."

5. Appointment of the Clerks of the House to act as Tellers in Division, on the motion of Mr. Cochran, "That the appointment of the Clerks of the House to act as Tellers on Thursday, 28th February, 1918, as Tellers in Division, on the motion of the Honorable G. S. Beeby, "Minister for Labour and Industry, 'That the Honorable Member for Darling Harbour be not further heard, is contrary to the rules and Standing Orders of this House, and the practice of the Imperial Parliament as laid down in May's 'Parliamentary Practice,' and constitutes an infringement of the rights of Honorable Members, and a breach of the privilege of Parliament."

6. Increase of State Allowance to Widows for Child Maintenance, on the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. P. M. McGirr, "That, in view of the great increase in the cost of living, it is expedient that the Government immediately take such steps as may be necessary to increase the State allowance to widows to 10s. per week for every child maintained under the age of 15 years."

7. Acquisition of Homes by the People, on the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Simon Hickey, "That the Honorable Member for Darling Harbour be not further heard, is contrary to the rules and Standing Orders of this House, and the practice of the Imperial Parliament as laid down in May's 'Parliamentary Practice,' and constitutes an infringement of the rights of Honorable Members, and a breach of the privilege of Parliament."

NOTICES OF MOTION:

1. Mr. Quirk to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the Railway and Tramway Services, with the object of providing adequate travelling facilities for the public, as well as obtaining evidence relative to those cases of alleged victimisation of Railway and Tramway employees generally.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Graff, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. McGarry, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. William Davies, Mr. George Carr, Mr. McKell, and the Mover.

2. Mr. William Davies to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the miners' accident relief allowance should be increased from 15s. to 25s. per week to meet the increased cost of living.

3. Mr. Kearsley to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the allegation made against the Secretary of the Miners' Federation in the Maitland Free Press, that he uses his influence to assure an accumulation of money from certain companies to secure for those companies immunity against strikes and other industrial disturbances.

4. Mr. McGarry to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived to disband the present Irrigation Commission with a view to the appointment of an independent Commission similar to that of the Sydney Harbour Trust or Railway Commission.

5. Mr. McGarry to move,—
   (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the time has arrived to disband the present Irrigation Commission with a view to the appointment of an independent Commission similar to that of the Sydney Harbour Trust or Railway Commission.
   (2.) That the foregoing resolution be conveyed by the Premier to the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

6. Mr. Stuart-Robertson to move,—
   (1.) That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Journals of the Legislative Council with relation to any proceedings upon the Sydney Corporation (Rolls Declaratory) Bill, and to make report thereof to the House.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Holman, Mr. Gregory McGirr, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Lang, and the Mover.

7. Mr. McKell to move, That, in the opinion of this House, all merchants, importers, retailers, etc., should be notified that after three months from to-day the prices of all foodstuffs and necessary commodities shall be at pre-war rates.

8. Mr. Lougheed to move, That, in order to overcome the evils of machine politics, this House is of the opinion that Cabinet Government should be superseded by a system under which Ministers will be elected by Members of the House on a proportional basis.

9. Mr. Lougheed to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should immediately make provision for the payment of pensions to widows who are left with dependent children, irrespective of any payment at present made by the State Children Relief Department.

10. Mr. Manning to move, That, in the opinion of this House, no peace will be satisfactory to the people of Australia which does not stipulate that Germany shall recoup the Commonwealth for all moneys expended in connection with the war.

11. Mr. Kearsley to move,—
   (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. James Fleming, the registration of whose first-class coal-mines manager's certificate of competency, obtained in New Zealand, has been refused in this State.
   (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Stuart-Robertson, Mr. Tom Smith, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Wright, Mr. Edden, Mr. Estell, and the Mover.
   (3.) That the Minutes of Proceedings of and Evidence taken before the Select Committee of Session 1917-1918 be referred to such Committee.
12. Mr. Robinson to move, That, in the opinion of this House, no peace will be satisfactory to the people of this State that involves the restoration to Germany of the former German possessions in the Pacific.

13. Mr. Estell to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should introduce a measure providing that a referendum be taken at the next General Election to ascertain the wishes of the people as to the abolition of the Legislative Council.

14. Mr. John Storey to move, That, in view of the fact that, despite increased rates, the financial operations of the Railways and Tramways have resulted in a substantial deficit during the past three years, and that it is now proposed to further increase the burdens of the people by imposing additional railway and tramway fares, and the further fact that wholesale discount prevails among the employees as exhibited by the unprecedented number of resignations, this House is of the opinion that a Royal Commission should be immediately appointed to inquire into the administration of the Railway and Tramway Departments.

15. Mr. F. M. Burke to move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing,—

(1) The number, quantity, and dates of consignments of fish to Glen Innes and Inverell respectively, since the establishment of the trawling industry; cost of same in freight, travelling expenses, &c.; the amount realised by sale, and the quantity returned unsold.

(2) The quantities of fish and cost of cartage to and from the Municipal and Redfern Markets; the quantities sold, the amount realised, and all other costs in connection with same.

(3) The number of baskets of fish condemned after purchase and cleaned at the depot at Port Stephens, the date of same and quantity of each kind.

(4) The rate of payment for cleaning fish at Port Stephens for the whole period since the opening of the depot.

(5) The quantities of fish smoked from that depot, giving the classes of each and the dates.

16. Mr. P. M. McGirr to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to amend the Government Savings Bank Act so as to advance to farmers, share-farmers, and others 10 per cent. of the cost of hay in stacks.

17. Mr. William Davies to move, That, in the opinion of this House,—

(1) There should be a maximum profit of 5 per cent., and any person found guilty of making a higher profit than the said 5 per cent. shall be deemed to have committed a sedition act, insasmuch as it causes disaffection among His Majesty's subjects; any person so convicted should be disqualified from being nominated as a candidate and from voting at any election of a Member of the Legislative Assembly, or of any Municipality, including the City of Sydney.

(2) The period of disqualification should be not less than four nor more than seven years.

18. Mr. McKell to move,—

(1) That this House expresses its disapproval of the speech delivered by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Walter Davidson, before the Chamber of Commerce, Sydney, on the 3rd July, 1913, in which His Excellency advocated a ten-hour day in lieu of the present eight-hour day which is generally observed in Australia, believing, that by his advocacy of such a principle, His Excellency is entering the field of party politics, and is going beyond his sphere as a representative of His Majesty.

(2) That the foregoing resolution be conveyed to His Excellency.

19. Mr. Johnston to move,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the treatment of live stock being carried on the New South Wales Railways.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Longfelin, Mr. P. M. McGirr, Mr. Wearne, Mr. McGlarry, Mr. Lane, Mr. William Davies, and the Mover.

20. Colonel Osselto move,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the retirement of Mr. W. A. Oakley from the Railway Branch of the Civil Service, and any claims and rights he may have arising therefrom or from his previous service in the railways.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Ball, Mr. Oakes, Mr. W. Millard, Mr. Bruntnell, Mr. Harry Morton, Mr. Ley, Mr. Quirt, Mr. Osthorpe, Mr. George Cunn, and the Mover.

21. Mr. Gardiner to move, That the Government in paying to Sir William Cullen, while acting as Lieutenant-Governor, a salary at the rate of £6,000 per annum, which is £1,750 per annum in excess of the salary provided for the position, was guilty of unwarrantable extravagance and deserving of censure.

22. Mr. Manning to move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that, to facilitate production in our primary industries, the Government adopt a policy of building 2-foot gauge tram-lines into country districts.

23. Colonel Osselto move,—

(1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claim of W. J. Goulding to certain land in Clarence-street, Sydney, and his allegation that he has been deprived of title, and prevented from proving his title thereto, by the error of the Registrar-General in wrongly issuing a certificate of title.

(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. D. R. Hall, Mr. Simou Hickey, Mr. Quick, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Doe, Mr. G. R. W. McDonald, Mr. Colquhoun, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Davin, and the Mover.

24. Mr. Doolan to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should take immediate steps to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act to include school teachers in its provisions.
25. Mr. COCHRAS to move, That, in view of the fact that enterprising speculators in food supplies are purchasing sheep at Homebush Sale-yards and re-trucking them back to the country for the purpose of securing increased prices, the Railway Commissioners be directed that they are not to afford railway facilities for such purposes.

26. Mr. NEAL to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the Federal authorities be asked to submit to the New South Wales Government, for its approval or opinion, any proposal for the further reduction or alteration of the present coastal shipping services of this State.

27. Mr. BROOKFIELD to move, That the findings of the Royal Commission on the Mining Industry, held at Broken Hill, 12th November, 1914, be given effect to in the new amendments of the law relating to mining foreshadowed by the Minister.

28. Mr. BARNALL to move, That, in the opinion of this House, the existence of unprotected brick pits and water-holes in populated areas is a serious menace to child life, and steps should be taken to compel authorities responsible to remove the danger.

29. Mr. GREGORY McGIRR to move, That, in view of the failure of the Abattoirs under the present Government, and the great loss and injury done to fat stock in transit to the city, the time has arrived when this Government should establish country freezing works whereby stock could be killed and frozen on the spot, and thus save present railway congestion, and ensure fresher and cheaper meat to the public and also greater prices to the small farmers of this State.

30. Mr. GREGORY McGIRR to move, That this House invites the co-operation of all other States of the Commonwealth in urging on the Federal Government an alteration of the Constitution whereby there will be brought about a system of unification of all States, to thereby bring about the abolition of six Legislative Councils, six State Parliaments, and six State Governors, and all incidental and unnecessary expenses attached to these out-of-date and obsolete institutions.

31. Mr. GREGORY McGIRR to move, That, in view of the policy of the present Government for economy and win-the-war measures, all future obsolete and costly ceremonies connected with the opening of the State Parliament should be dispensed with.

32. Mr. GREGORY McGIRR to move, That, in the opinion of this House, a Royal Commission should be appointed to inquire into the operations of the whole of the wheat pools of New South Wales, and the operations of wheat scrip speculators, for each year since their inception.
1918.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS IN DIVISIONS AND COUNT-OUTS, DURING THE SESSION OF 1918.

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W. S. MOWLE,
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W. S. MOWLE,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
### No. 1.—REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1918.

| Short Title, By whom initiated, | Presented for Enactment, || Returned with Standing Order, || Report, || Report Adjudged, || Report Refused, || Amended in Committee, || Amended in Committee, new Bill, || Amended in Committee, new Bill withdrawn. || Report Accepted, || Report not reported. |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ambulance Transport Service... | Mr. Fuller               | 1918                      | 1918                      | 10 July                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Appropriation                   | Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick | 22 Aug.                  | 26 Sept.                  | 26 Sept.                  |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Architectics                    | Mr. James               | 3 July                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Audit (Amendment)              | Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick | 26 June                  | 26 June                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Civic Settlement (Amendment)    | Mr. Ashford            | 3 Oct.                   | 3 Oct.                   | 6 Nov.                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Coal Mines Regulation (Amending)| Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick| 3 Oct.                  |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Companies (Registration of Securities) | Mr. D. R. Hall          | 3 Oct.                   | 3 Oct.                   | 17 Nov.                  |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Crown Lands Leases Withdrawal   | Mr. Ashford            | 3 Oct.                   | 3 Oct.                   | 5 Oct.                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Early Closing                   | Mr. Dobbs              | 19 July                  | 11 July                  |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| First Offenders (Wages)         | Mr. D. R. Hall         | 5 Dec.                   | 5 Dec.                   | 17 Dec.                  |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Government Railways (Superannuation Amendment) | Mr. J. L. Fitzpatrick | 29 Oct.                  | 7 Nov.                   | 7 Nov.                   |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| Housing (Amendment)            | Mr. J. C. L. Fitzpatrick| 29 Oct.                 |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |                           |

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Remarks:

- Stopped by prorogation.
- Motion made for second reading. **Point of Order:** That a Bill introduced with trade interest should have been introduced in Committee of the Whole. Ruled against by Mr. Speaker, 31st December, 1918. Stopped by prorogation.

* Assent not reported during session. † For stage at which Bill had reached in former session see Appendix.
RECAPITULATION.

| Number of Bills originated in the Legislative Assembly shown on Register No. 1 | 10 |
| Number of Public Bills brought from the Legislative Council shown on Register No. 2 | 12 |
| Number of Private Bills | do | do | do | 4 |
| Forced and assented to | 25 | 8 | 33 |
| Pro forma Bill | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Not returned by Legislative Council | 17 | 17 |
| Stopped by Prorogation | 15 | 15 |
| Otherwise disposed of | 13 | 13 |

APPENDIX.

Showing stage which Bills, reintroduced under Standing Orders, had reached in former Session.

1.—PUBLIC BILLS—ASSEMBLY.
Ambulance Transport Service; ordered for second reading. 1

2.—PUBLIC BILLS—COUNCIL.
Animals Protection; ordered for second reading.
Statute of Limitations; to be further considered in Committee.

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 19th December, 1918.

W. S. MOWLE
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
| No. of Order | No. | Date | Entry | On Whose Motion | Votes | No. | Date | Entry | On Whose Motion | Votes | No. | Date | Entry | On Whose Motion | Votes | No. | Date | Entry | On Whose Motion | Votes | No. | Date | Entry | On Whose Motion | Votes | Return to Address or Order | Register Number | If to be Printed | Date of Order |
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Register of Addresses (not being for papers) to the Governor during the session 1918.

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